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DINOLFO ANNOUNCES GREATER ROCHESTER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO RECEIVE GRANT FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Monroe County Executive **Cheryl Dinolfo** and Monroe County Airport Director **Michael Giardino** today announced the Greater Rochester International Airport (ROC) has been selected to receive a grant from New York State. The grant, totaling \$428,000 will be used to make improvements to the Monroe County Airport Authority Hangar.

“The Airport is one of our strongest assets and a major factor in facilitating job creation and economic growth in Monroe County,” said **Dinolfo**. *“This grant represents another significant investment in the Airport’s success and our community as a whole. I want to thank Governor Cuomo for supporting our vision for the Airport as it becomes a reality.”*

The Airport Authority currently leases the hangar to one of the Fixed Based Operators which provide services such as deicing, fueling, aircraft maintenance and a flight school. The Hangar is the former home of Kodak Aviation, originally built in the 1950’s. The grant will be used to rehabilitate the hangar floor, as well as reconstruct the original aircraft parking apron.

“The success of ROC’s General Aviation activity is tied directly to the quality of the facilities the operators use,” said **Giardino**. *“This hangar is in need of improvements, so this funding will have a profound and lasting impact on our ability to offer an outstanding experience at the Airport.”*

According to a 2010 study by the New York State Department of Transportation, every General Aviation aircraft based in New York supports five jobs and generates \$1.1 million in economic activity.

This funding is in addition to the \$200 million Upstate Airport Economic Development and Revitalization competition included in the 2016-2017 New York State Budget. The Monroe County Airport Authority is working to submit a competitive proposal to secure up to \$40 million in funding for capital projects.

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