APPROVE PROJECT FOR WILLARD AIRPORT CONTROL TOWER, URBANA

Action: Approve Willard Airport Control Tower, Urbana

Funding: Institutional Funds Reimbursed from Financing Through FAA’s Leaseback Program

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Willard Airport Control Tower project will provide a replacement control tower to be located at the north quadrant of Willard Airport. The control tower will be about 125 feet tall and will replace the existing tower. The base building of the tower will be 8,400 square feet.

Initial funds for the consultant’s fees are available from institutional funds from the operating budget of the Urbana campus. Total project funds are expected to be recovered by agreement with the FAA at the end of the design development phase of the project. Accordingly, the Chancellor at Urbana with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that the Willard Airport Control Tower project whose expected cost is $12,900,000 be approved contingent upon receiving FAA funding. In addition, the Chancellor at Urbana recommends expenditure by the University for the preliminary design phase at a cost not to exceed $200,000.
The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.