



RIDGELAND CLAUDE DEAN AIRPORT

Established 1955 - Expanding 2019





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THE RIDGELAND-CLAUDE DEAN
AIRPORT OWES ITS HISTORICAL
& FUTURE SUCCESS TO A GROUP
OF LEADERS WITH A PASSION
FOR AVIATION & ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT.



Images collected from the family of Claude Dean,
Chairman of the Jasper County Aeronautics
Commission from 1970 - 2016.





IN HONOR OF CLAUDE DEAN

With the expansion of the Ridgeland Airport comes a new name, the Ridgeland-Claude Dean Airport. Mr. Dean served as chairman of the Jasper County Aeronautics Commission from 1970 until his passing in September 2016. A World War II veteran, Mr. Dean received the Sgt. Jasper Award in 2013. This one is for you, Mr. Dean!



A VISION TAKES FLIGHT

THE JOURNEY TOWARDS THE RIDGELAND-CLAUDE DEAN AIRPORT

1938



A 69-acre parcel of land one mile northwest of Ridgeland, South Carolina, was purchased by Sanders Jenness from J. Lee Dean on March 12, 1938.

1939



With a borrowed farm tractor and hand tools, a group of local aviation enthusiasts completed a workable landing runway early in 1939.

1943



In June 1943, the Jasper County Aeronautics Commission is organized and two parcels of land are purchased with a view toward establishing a permanent airport in Jasper County.

1947



The new airport was solidly in operation in 1947 and Miller Flying Service began operations. Over 70 local pilots obtained their initial pilots licenses under the tutelage of Mr. Miller.

1960



In 1960, the popularity of the airport attracted funding from the State of South Carolina. A paved and lighted 3,000 feet long by 70 feet wide runway was constructed and put into operation.

2019 EXPANSION PLAN

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PHASE ONE

2016-2017

Site Preparation for new Runway 18-36, parallel Taxiway System, Terminal, Apron Complex, and Entrance Road

Construction of relocated Wrong Road and necessary utility relocations for residents on Wrong Road

Stormwater system construction of 3 permanent dry detention ponds

Temporary erosion and sediment control features

PHASE TWO

2017

Paving of portion of Runway 18-36 and taxiways north of existing Runway 3-21

Construction of lighting, concrete duct banks, and handholds

Construction of Lighting Vault Building to accommodate future airfield lighting systems

Completion of a 3,200' X 75" Runway 18-36 and Taxiway System

Runway 3-21 permanently closed and converted into new Taxiway "B"

PHASE THREE

2017-2018

Completion of the remainder of earthwork and new drainage

Paving of the remaining 1,000' of Runway 18-36 and blast pads

Paving of a portion of the parallel Taxiway "A" and connection to Taxiway "B" (formerly Runway 3-21), and construction of Taxiway No. 1

Airfield lighting to include REIL and PAPI systems for approach and a lighted wind cone and segmented circle

Runway 3-21 converted to Taxiway "B" and marking and lighting changed to Taxiway lighting and marking

PAPI system flight checked and 4,200' X 75" Runway 18-36 opened

RNAV/GPS Approach Procedures developed in coordination with FAA

PHASE FOUR

2018-2019

New General Aviation Terminal building

Aircraft Parking Apron

Parking Lot

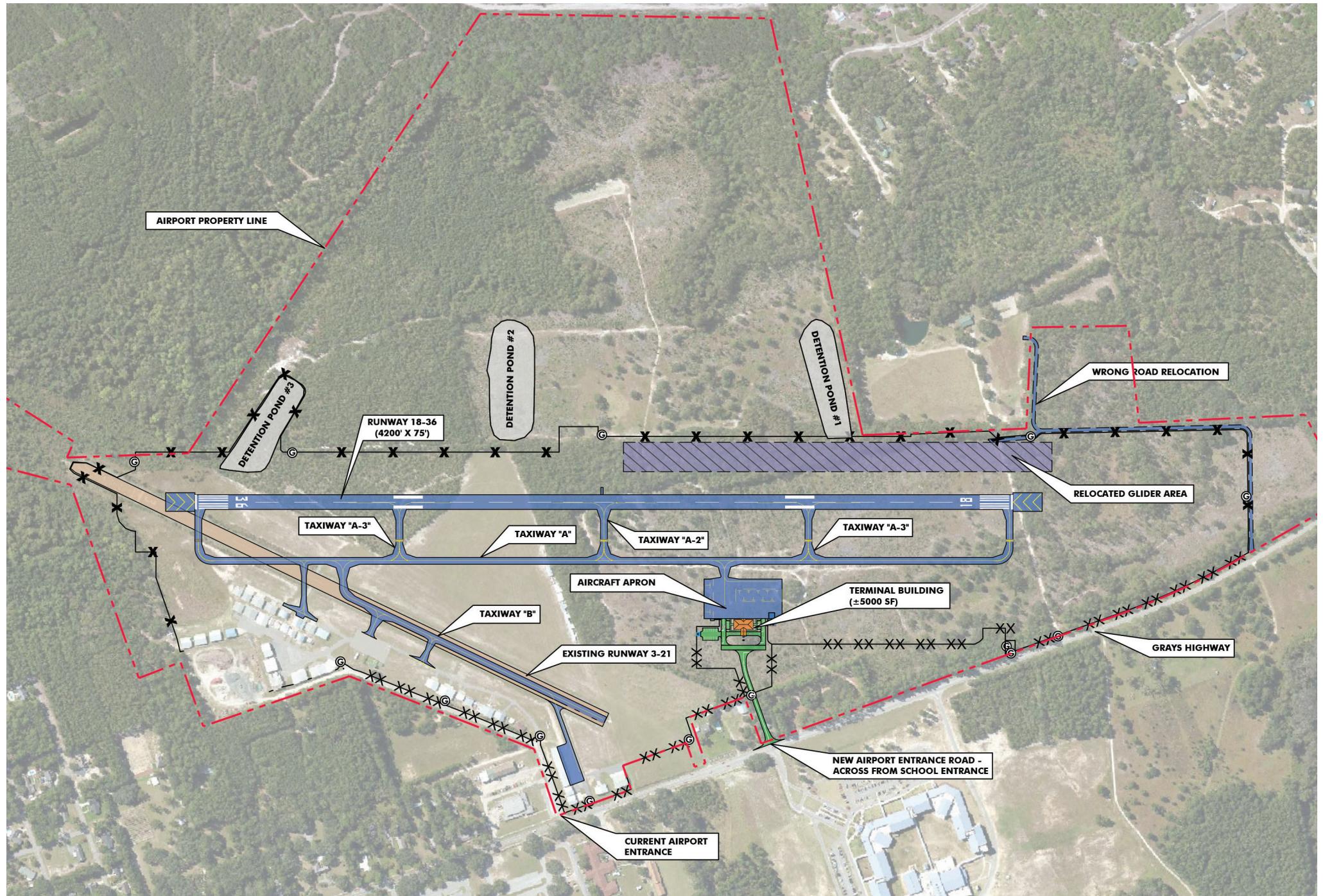
New Access Road

New Water, Sewer, Power & Communication utility work to provide services for new terminal and future hangar development

New water main and gravity sewer line paralleling the access road

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