



2025 NDSASP Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting #2 – Meeting Summary

Thursday, August 28th, from 10:30am – 12:00pm CT

Project Team		
Name	Organization	Present
Kyle Wanner	NDAC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Adam Dillin	NDAC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Grant Erwin	NDAC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pam Keidel-Adams	Kimley-Horn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Georgia Twyerould	Kimley-Horn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Adam Ellsell	Kimley-Horn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sarah Marr	Marr Arnold	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summer Arnold	Marr Arnold	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

TAC Members		
Name	Organization	Present
Mike McHugh	NDAC	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kim Kenville	NDAC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brian Schuck	FAA ADO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ryan Riesinger	Grand Forks Intl Airport	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Lindsay Gerhardt	Mandan Regional Airport	<input type="checkbox"/>
Landon Johnson	ND Dept of Commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tanner Overland	ND Aviation Association	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jon Simmers	Bismarck Aero - FBO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chad Orn	NDDOT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Nutsch	ND IT Dept - GIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trevor Woods	NPUAS Test Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Amanda Remyne	ND Greater Chamber	<input type="checkbox"/>
Robert "RD" Reimers	AirMed – Air Medical Operator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dan Kasowski	UND – Aircraft Mechanic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matt Hovdenes	Aerial Applicator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Holzer	FAA ADO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



1. TAC Meeting #2 Introduction

Georgia Twyerould with Kimley-Horn (KH) opened the meeting by introducing the NDAC team, which includes Kyle Wanner, Adam Dillin, and Grant Erwin. Georgia then led introductions of the KH and Marr Arnold Planning (MAP) teams.

- Team Introductions
 - North Dakota Aeronautics Commission (NDAC)
 - Consultant team: Kimley-Horn (KH) and Marr Arnold Planning (MAP)
 - *No additional comments*
- TAC Member Introductions
 - *No additional comments*

2. Project Refresher

Georgia (KH) opened the meeting by offering an overview of the day's discussion, then led the group through an ice breaker exercise, before offering a refresher on the TAC's role and purpose.

- Role and Purpose of the TAC
 - *Georgia (KH) requested feedback from the TAC on how engagement has been going since the project's kick off.*
 - *Kim Kenville (NDAC) said she was pleased overall with the efforts and thinks an appropriate amount of engagement and information has been provided to TAC. She noted that the website is easy to use.*
 - *Other TAC members nodded in agreement and seconded Kim's statement.*
- Purpose of the NDSASP and NDAEIS
 - *No additional comments*
- Review of Project Timeline
 - *No additional comments*

3. 2025 NDSASP Project Update

Pam (KH) provided an update on the 2025 NDSASP project, outlining the study process and status since the last TAC meeting. She also noted that Chapter 4. Inventory of the NDSASP deliverable will be posted and sent to TAC for review and feedback.

- Share Progress Updates on the 2025 NDSASP
 - *No additional comments*

4. 2025 NDSASP System Performance

Pam (KH) provided an overview of 2025 NDSASP system performance, outlining the study framework and describing how PMs and PIs help assess system goals. She introduced the PMs and PIs that were the focus of the meeting's discussion. The PMs and PIs addressed topics such as airport access, public gatherings in RPZs, weather reporting availability, hangar



availability coverage, business jet capability, emergency aircraft suitability, runway pavement standards, airport layout plans, flight training availability, and STEM participation at airports.

- Overview of the NDSASP Framework
 - *No additional comments*
- Purpose of the System Performance Analysis
 - *No additional comments*
- Review of Six Goals and Sample Performance Measures (PMs) and Performance Indicators (PIs) for each of the Goals
 - *Ryan Riesinger (GFK) inquired about what constitutes a “Public Gathering” as he was surprised at the performance of Commercial Service airports on both the clear approaches to all runway ends and airports with public gatherings in RPZs. Ryan would like to see data on the two PIs, especially for the Commercial Service airports. KH will follow up with Ryan on the data specific to these two metrics.*
 - *Adam Dillin (NDAC) noted that under Airports with an Adequate ALP that many of the non-NPIAS airports don’t have an ALP but also don’t need one. Many of these airports have the needed facilities and an ALP is not necessary.*
 - *Kyle Wanner (NDAC) also noted that in 2014 there was a timeline associated with the ALP PM, and it was determined that there may be airports with older ALPs that are still adequate so that timeline was removed for the 2025 NDSASP.*

5. 2025 NDSASP Activity Forecast

Summer (MAP) outlined North Dakota’s 20-year aviation forecast for its 89 airports. The forecast uses FAA’s January 2025 TAF for commercial service airport projections and local data for general aviation airport projections. Summer noted some of the national trends to provide context and noted that military activity was tracked but not projected. Summer walked TAC members through slides covering the 20-year (2024-2044) forecasts for commercial service airport enplanements, operations, based aircraft, and GA activity.

Georgia (KH) completed this section of the presentation with discussion of next steps of the NDSASP.

- Purpose of the Aviation Forecasts
- Presentation of Aviation Forecast Results:
 - Commercial Service Enplanements
 - *Summer (MAP) asked Ryan Riesinger (GFK) whether he received a draft FAA TAF for review prior to publication in January 2026. Ryan noted that they received the draft forecast last week for comment. He noted the draft shows a zero percent growth in enplanements for the first time. He was surprised as they have a Small Community Air Service Development*



(SCASD) grant which they're hoping will result in increased enplanements. There was a document accompanying the TAF table that provided information on the methodology, and he thinks there was a change in the methodology.

- Commercial Service Operations
 - *Ryan Riesinger (GFK) noted there was a small change in the draft FAA TAF for commercial operations.*
- Based Aircraft
 - *No additional comments*
- General Aviation (GA) Operations
 - *No additional comments*
- Next Steps for NDSASP
 - *No additional comments*

6. 2025 NDAEIS Update

Georgia (KH) provided an update on the AEIS progress, noting that recent efforts have been primarily focused on the NDSASP.

Georgia (KH) reported on some high-level findings from the Public and Private Entity – UAS Business Survey. Surveys identified 39 public agency employees and over 200 private sector workers in roles such as project management, mechanics, and environmental work, mainly supporting public safety, mapping, and inspections. This information will inform the economic impact model for UAS statewide.

KH also noted that preliminary results from the AEIS data collected from airports and visitors show 3,000 employees among 185 airport tenants, over 1,000 surveyed visitors, and \$12 million in tenant capital improvement investments over the past few years. Georgia (KH) closed by noting that some of the key positions needed across the state to support aviation include aviation mechanics, customer service, avionics technicians, sales, and ground support, demonstrating workforce diversity. Complete findings are expected in 2026.

- Review 2025 NDAEIS Study Process and Progress
- Preliminary Results:
 - AEIS Data
 - UAS Business Survey
 - *No additional comments*
- Next steps for NDAEIS
 - *No additional comments*

7. Open Discussion

Georgia (KH) facilitated an open discussion for final thoughts and comments before expressing appreciation to all attendees.



Kyle (NDAC) formally closed the meeting, extending sincere thanks to all TAC members for their time and efforts throughout the study process.

- Questions, comments, and feedback from TAC members
 - *Georgia (KH) noted that the TAC Meeting PowerPoint and Summary will be posted to the project website and website subscribers will receive a notification when these documents are available for review.*
 - *Kim Kenville (NDAC) noted she appreciated that we summarized all the important data and has been very happy with all the results to date.*
 - *Ryan Riesinger (GFK) noted that the process, outreach, and communications are going very well.*
 - *Landon Johnson (ND Commerce) noted in the chat that there has been a lot of information provided and noted the project team has been doing a “really nice job so far.”*
 - *Adam Dillin (NDAC) noted that the inventory effort was tremendous with so much information obtained from the airport manager survey and that KH has conducted a thorough vetting of the data in concert with NDAC staff. NDAC appreciates the airports’ responses to get the most accurate data for the study.*
 - *Kyle Wanner (NDAC) noted that lots of data has been compiled and the TAC will see data turning into information/analysis soon. NDAC appreciates the TAC’s participation and really wants the TAC’s input. Kyle noted the importance of the study stating that NDAC only updates this every decade.*