



# **Reno City Council Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority Executive Overview**

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# Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority

## Who We Are

- Established in 1977 by the state legislature
- Governed by a 9-member Board of Trustees appointed by City of Reno, City of Sparks, Washoe County and the RSCVA
- A quasi-municipal corporation authorized to independently run the RNO and RTS



**Reno-Tahoe  
International  
Airport**



**Reno-Stead  
Airport**



**Jennifer Cunningham**  
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City of Sparks



# Our Regional Economic Impact

## \$3.6 Billion



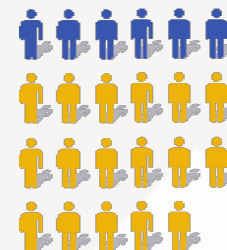
### \$1.6B

Increase over the last 10 years



### \$129,500

Contributed to the local economy with each landing of a Boeing 737-800, RNO's most landed aircraft



Supports over 6,300 jobs directly and 17,500 indirectly, or approximately 6% of total regional employment



### \$1B

Injected into the local economy by visitors in 2023



### 52%

Of visitors arrived in Washoe County by air in 2022, eclipsing cars as the preferred way to travel to the region



Our operations, including tenants, support our state and local governments by generating an estimated \$82.3 million per year





LOCATION POINTS NOT EXACT

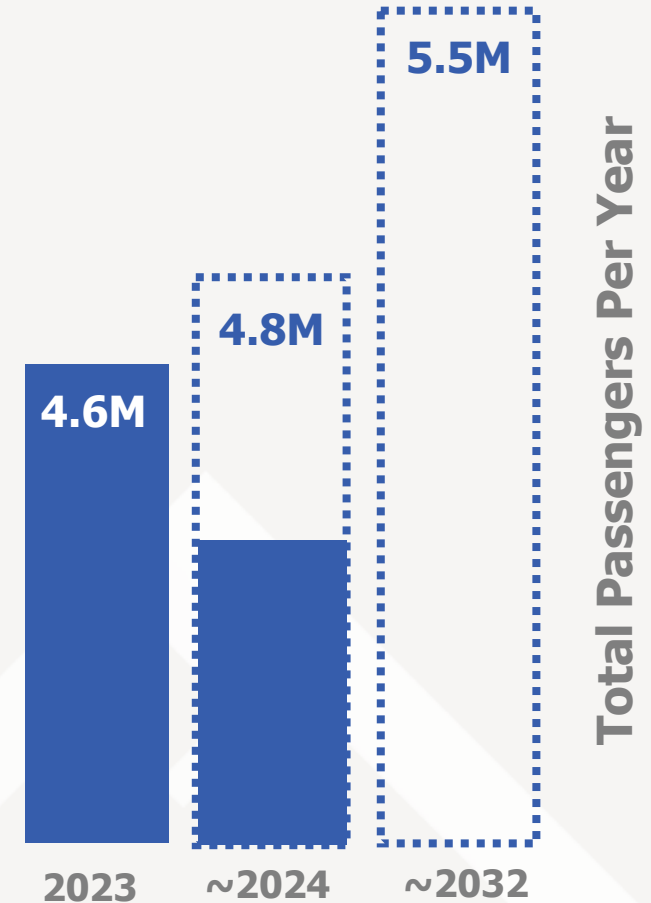
# Continued Growth on RTAA Property





# RNO's Busiest Summer in Nearly 2 Decades

- RNO saw a 10% increase in overall summer passenger traffic compared to last summer
  - June 2024 – 12% increase
  - July 2024 – 8% increase
  - August 2024 – 9% increase
- 90,000+ seats added this summer
- Expecting 9% increase in seats available this fall compared to last year





# Airway Commerce Center

## New Development at RNO

- Class-A mixed use industrial and commercial center by Tolles Development Company
- 890,000 square feet of offices, showrooms, distribution warehouses and light manufacturing space
- Over 500 new trees and 1,500 shrubs and perennials that are compliant with FAA landscaping guidelines





# About the Reno-Stead Airport (RTS)



# New Development at RTS

## AirLogistics Park

- Public-Private Partnership (P3)
- RTAA remains airport operator and landowner while Dermody Properties is the developer, building owner, building manager, and master tenant sublessor



Building 2 (first to be complete) - 460,000+ square feet, 44-59 trailer parking spaces, 75 dock-high doors and A 36' clear height

## World's First Lithium-Sulfur Battery Gigafactory

- \$1 Billion investment for Nevada
- Partnership between Lyten and Dermody Properties
- Creating 200+ jobs



Lyten Preliminary Design Rendering





# RTS Master Plan

2024

- RFQ and vendor selection process currently underway
- Board Award

2025

- Public Outreach Meetings (3-4)
- Working Group Meetings (6-9)

2026

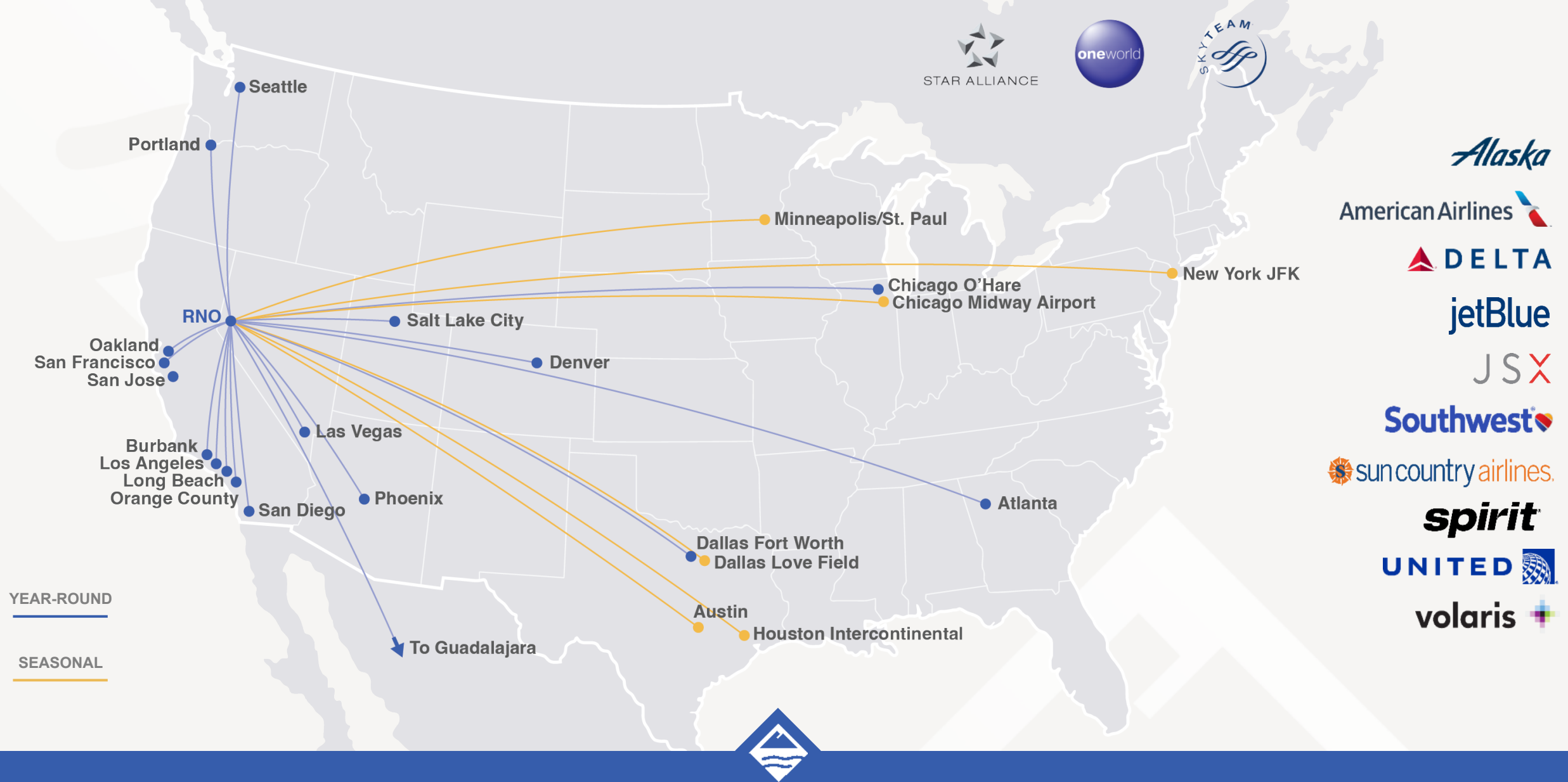
- Master Plan Study Complete by end of the calendar year

## Scope of the Master Plan Study includes:

- Existing conditions/facilities inventory
- Aviation activity forecast
- Facility requirements
- Alternatives development and evaluation
- Financial feasibility analysis
- Development plan
- Airport Layout Plan Update

# **The Future of RNO is MORE**

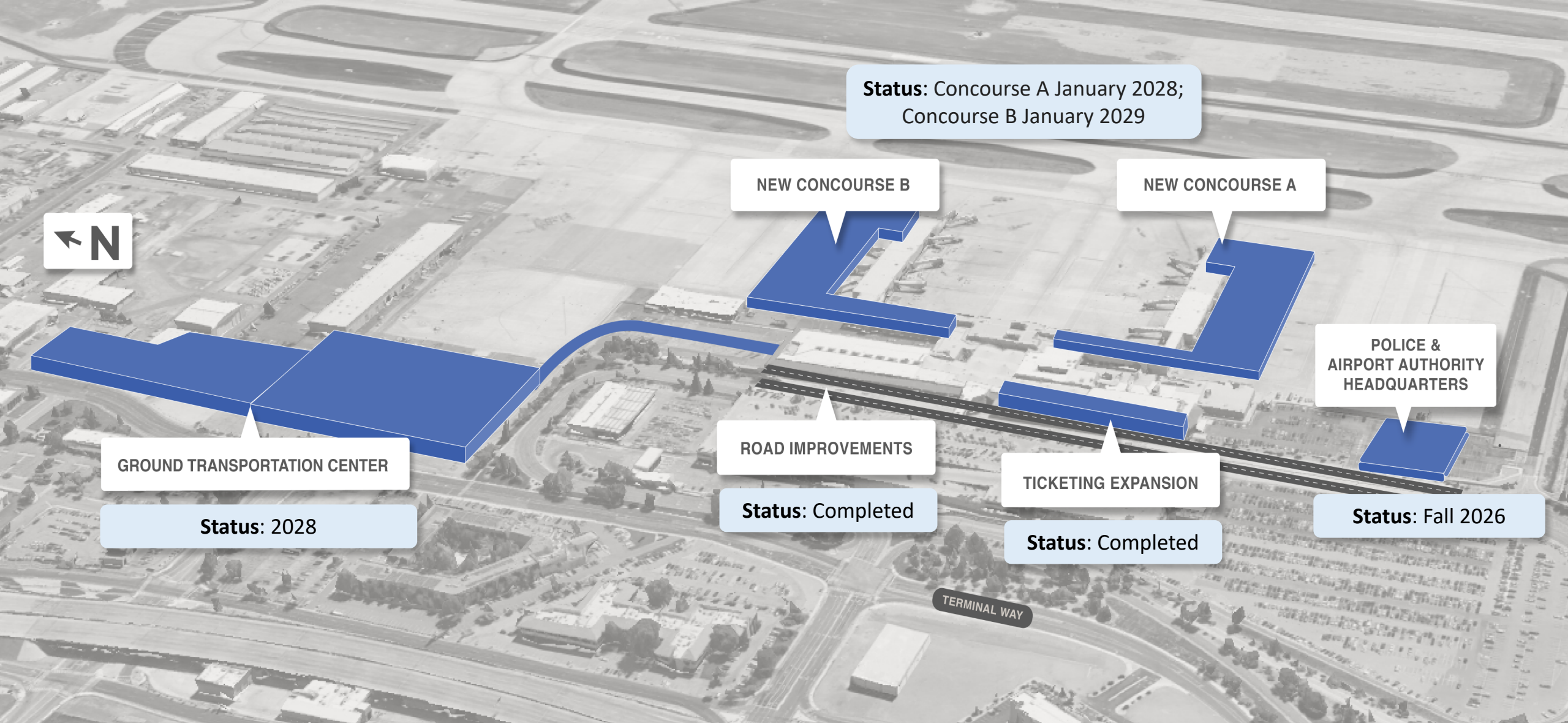
Collaboration, support and day-to-day operations needed to bring more opportunity to our community



**10 Airlines Connecting to 20+ Nonstop Destinations**



## Regional Effort to Attract New Air Service



# \$1 Billion MoreRNO Infrastructure Program





# MoreRNO Progress

## Completed Projects



### Ticketing Hall Expansion

- On-time
- On-budget
- Reduced congestion and improved flow
- Added restrooms
- Home to first public art installation



### Loop Road Improvements

- Replaced obsolete roadway
- Improved accessibility, ADA compliance
- Enhanced building security with bollards
- Improved safety with raised sidewalks
- Added canopies for weather protection



# MoreRNO Progress

Projects Coming Soon-ish



## Ground Transportation Center (GTC)

- Reached financial close in May 2024
- Expected to be complete in 2028
- Reclaim ~600 parking spots
- Improve ground transit experience & safety



## RNO Police and RTAA Admin Headquarters (HQ)

- Expected to be complete fall 2026
- Quicker airside and landside response for airport police
- Important space released for tenants



## New Concourses A&B

- More gates
- More concessions
- More seating
- More light
- More amenities
- More art
- Upgraded travel technology



# Balancing Operations & Programs

Running a 24/7 airport operation with significant construction projects

## Airport Operations

- Busiest summer in 20 years
- Parking Challenges
- Weather Impacts
- Runway Construction
- Unfunded Mandates



## MoreRNO

- Rising Construction Costs
- Ongoing Construction
- Passenger Impacts



# Project Outlook Costs ~\$1 Billion

Ticketing Hall Expansion	\$32,000,000	
Loop Road Improvements	\$14,400,000	
Ground Transportation Center	\$299,000,000	
Police and RTAA Headquarters	~\$70,000,000	
New Concourses A & B	~\$570,000,000	
		



# A Sustainable Future



## Airport Sustainability Advisory Committee

- Trustee Jung is board liaison with the committee

## Loop Road

- Recycled materials and energy efficient snow melt technology

## Ground Transportation Center

- Infrastructure will support a potential future transition to electric rental car fleets

## New Concourses A&B

- Hybrid Electric Central Utility Plant - 20% more efficient than code and projected to save the airport 50% in energy usage and 77% in water usage

## Aircraft Gate Electrification

- Reduced emissions and noise pollution





# A New Art Experience

- Board Resolution allocates a minimum 1% of design and construction costs from RTAA funds for public art in capital improvement projects
- Complements existing arts programs at RNO and RTS
- First public art installment “Repeated Refrains” located in the Ticketing Hall
  - 450-feet in length, showcasing the natural beauty of northern Nevada



AT THE AIRPORT





# Art Advisory Committee

- Art Master Plan created a long-term strategy and Art Advisory Committee
- Advisory to the RTAA Board of Trustees for matters relating to arts and culture
- Trustee Cunningham is the board liaison with the committee
- Created to enrich the passenger experience
- Primary role is to make recommendations regarding the recruitment, selection, acquisition, installation, maintenance and conservation of public art, both temporary and permanent



# **RTAA + Reno-Tahoe Community**

RTAA's commitment to partnering with the Reno-Tahoe community  
programs and organizations



# Strategic Community Partnerships

Working With Local, Regional and National Agencies to Bring the RTAA Mission to Life







# Community Events

RTAA Supports Dozens of Community Events Each Year



**Inaugural Flight Celebrations**



**Live Performances**



**Girls in Aviation**



**Operation Santa Claus**



**Burning Man**



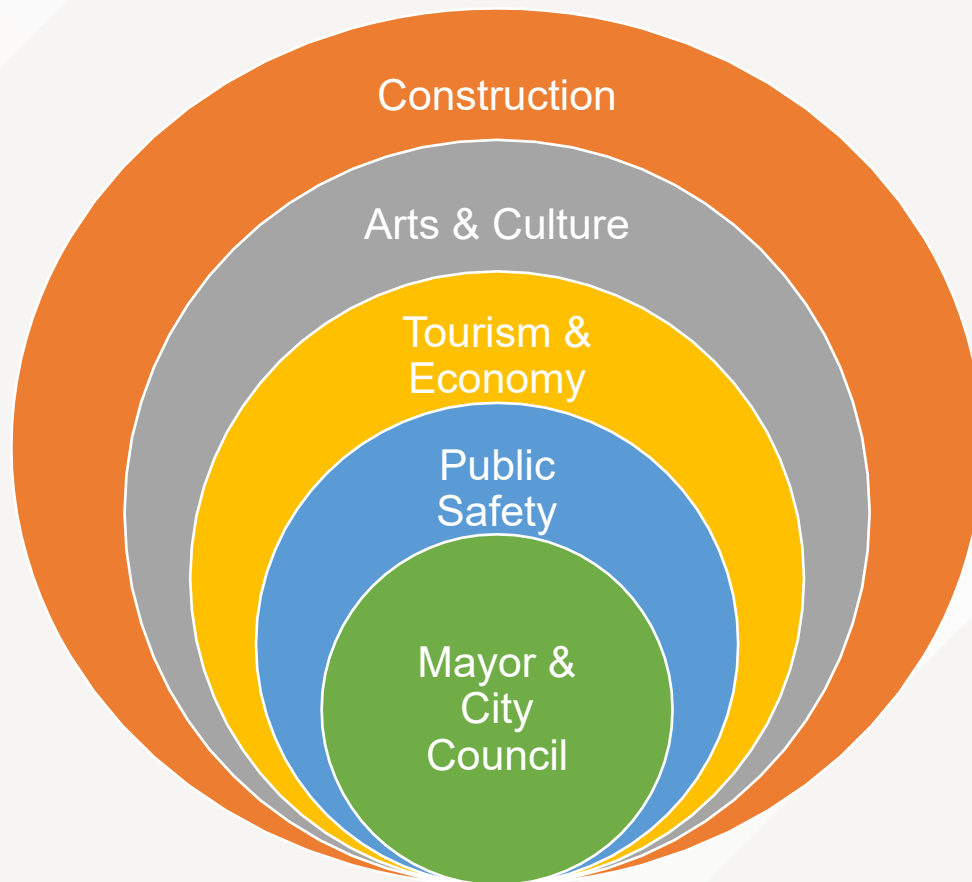
**Honor Flights**





# Thank you

Partnership and Support Coming from Across the City of Reno





# Questions?

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