

# Burke Lakefront Airport (BKL) Master Plan Update

## Public Workshop

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#### City of Cleveland DPC Studies Currently In Progress

### Market Assessment & Feasibility Study (being prepared by others)

### BKL Assessment Study

Role of BKL in Northeastern Ohio Aviation System (Phase One of the MPU)

### Airport Master Plan Update

(Phase Two of the MPU)



**BKL Role & Function** 

Phase Two

**Phase One** 

Inventory of Existing Conditions Aviation Activity Forecast

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## **Phase One - BKL Role & Function**

- Identify need for, capabilities, & role of BKL in Northeastern (NE) Ohio
  - What potential impacts would the closure of BKL present to the NE Ohio regional aviation system?
  - What potential impacts would the closure of BKL present to operations/capacity at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE)?
  - What would be the economic impact to the City of Cleveland associated with the closure of BKL?
    - Upon Completion of Phase One, the master plan process commences



## **Phase One - BKL Role & Function**

- Specific Airports within the region will be examined for comparative purposes including:
  - Geauga County Airport
  - Cleveland Hopkins International Airport
  - Willoughby Lost Nation Municipal Airport
  - Cuyahoga County Airport
  - Lorain County Airport
  - Medina Municipal Airport
  - Portage County Airport
  - Kent State University Airport
  - Akron Canton Regional Airport
  - Akron Fulton International Airport
  - Youngstown Warren Regional Airport

# **Study Related Information Needs**

- Current activities and operations at BKL
- Economic impact related information
  - ≻ Air Show
  - Grand Prix
  - Role of BKL in serving business community and tourism in Cleveland

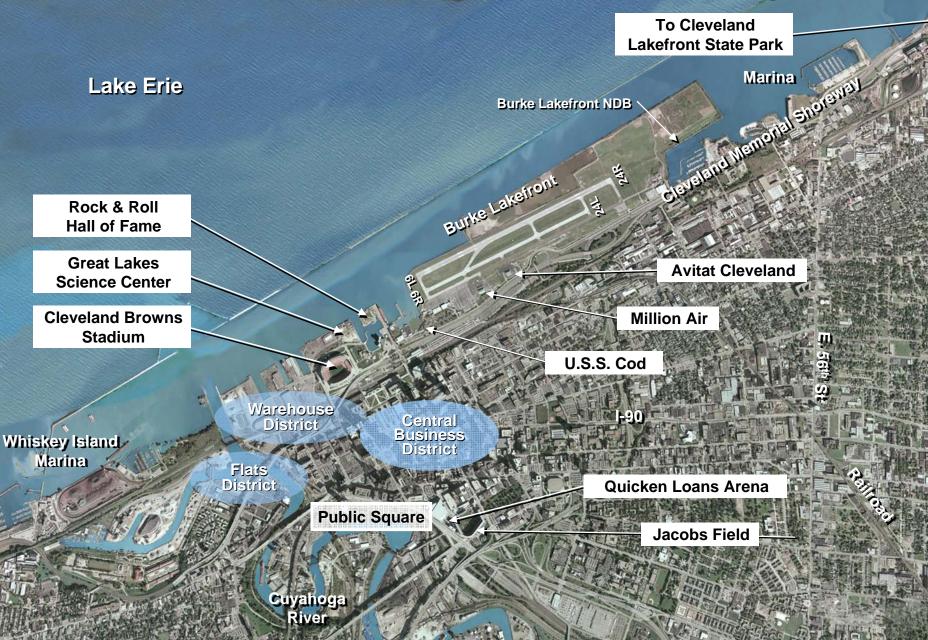
#### Needs and concerns of tenants/users

- Airfield improvements
- Support services
- ➢ Part 139 services; ARFF and control tower
- Local destinations of GA itinerant users

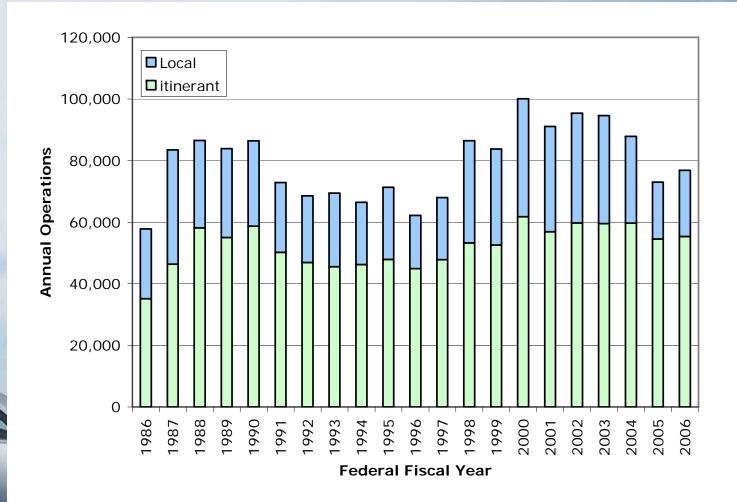
 Alternative airports typically used for itinerant & local activity



# **Burke Lakefront Airport and Vicinity**



## Historic Aircraft Operations 1986-2006



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# **Typical BKL Users**

- There are three categories of users at BKL that have different requirements and needs:
  - Air Taxi Charters and Business Users
  - Flight Training Activity
  - Other: Recreational Flying Activities and All Other Types of Operations

### **Current BKL Role**

- Designated GA reliever airport for CLE
- High level of GA jet activity
- Significant element of activity is tied to serving business air travel; higher % than is typically found at other GA airports
- BKL passengers are bound for downtown Cleveland primarily for business purposes

Professional sports teams & fans use BKL

### Current BKL Role (continued)

- Routinely used for emergency medical transport flights and donor organ transportation
- Serves as a location for the development and training of new pilots
- Home to the annual Labor Day Air Show and the Cleveland Grand Prix Race
- Home to the International Women's Air & Space Museum

BKL passengers are bound for downtown to visit local attractions such as the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame & sporting events

### Current BKL Role (continued)

### Local FBO Survey Results (Jan-June '05)

- 93% indicated that BKL's proximity to downtown Cleveland was a strong attribute contributing to their use of the airport
- 50% indicated that convenience to hospitals was a strong attribute of BKL
- 40% indicated that they were flying for a corporate business entity
- > 23% operate as a Part 135 commercial charter
  - 18% were time share or fractional ownership operators

67% were small-medium sized jets and 25% were large jets

# Master Plan Update Process

Phase One

**BKL Role & Function** 

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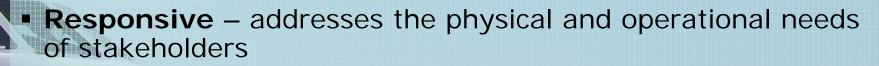
## What is an Airport Master Plan?

- A road map to meet future aviation demand, while remaining flexible to respond to change and a dynamic aviation industry
- Provides a framework for long-range planning
- Graphically presents the preferred airport development projects
- Defines the purpose and need for proposed development projects
- Complies with FAA planning and environmental regulations
- Enables the airport to achieve its long-term mission
  Supports the financial health of one of a City's most powerful economic engines
- Identifies future facility requirements for all airport users



## A Successful Airport Master Plan is...

- Financially feasible the phasing of capital projects is aligned with identified need and the ability to secure available funding
- Environmentally compatible minimizes potential environmental impacts
- Balanced balances airport development needs and community impacts
- Technically sound complies with Federal, State, and local requirements and can be constructed efficiently and cost effectively



 Flexible – considers changes in industry dynamics which will enable BKL to be responsive and prosper



## **Burke Lakefront Airport**



## **BKL Existing Facilities**

- 450 Acres
- Runway 6L-24R: 6,198 feet long
- Runway 6R-24L: 5,197 feet long
- Runway End 24R has an Instrument Landing System (ILS)
- Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT)
- Terminal/Administration Building; accommodates General Aviation (GA) operations, commercial/office uses, a museum, and airport admin.
  - 2 Full-Service Fixed Based Operators (FBOs)
- 4 Flight Schools
- "On-Call" Customs and Immigration



## **Aviation Forecasting**

- Forecasts typically consider socio-economic, business and tourism related characteristics
- Review historic aircraft activity data including:
  - Aircraft operations trends (Local and Itinerant)
  - Based Aircraft and Fleet Mix
  - Peak Operations Levels
- Take into consideration potential competing airports and projections developed by the FAA
  - Assess industry related factors that could influence future activity levels
  - Evaluate and employ statistical methodologies for developing projections of future activity

## **General Aviation Forecast Outputs**

- Projections of future aircraft operations:
  - Typically developed for a 20-year time frame
  - Projects both Local and Itinerant general aviation operations
  - Projects level of Air Taxi/Charter activity
- Projections of future based aircraft levels and fleet mix.
  - Presents Activity Peaking projections for use in facility planning

## **Airport Facility Requirements Analysis**

- Quantifies capacity, capability and characteristics of all existing airport facilities including:
  - Airfield efficiency and capabilities
  - Terminal area space and service requirements
  - Aircraft hangars by type, tie downs and ramp requirements
  - Access and support facility needs.
- Assesses existing facilities against forecast demand using industry accepted planning standards to identify adequacy or inadequacies

Quantifies facility improvements needed to address activity/demand based triggers

### **Master Plan Alternatives Process**

- Identification of Alternatives Identify a series of reasonable options to meet the identified facility requirements
- Evaluate Alternatives Evaluate alternatives, individually and collectively, to gain a thorough understanding of the strengths, weaknesses, and implications of each option
- Selection of Recommended Alternative Select the option or combination of individual facility options that best meets needs in the most economical, efficient and environmentally sensitive fashion.

## **Identification of Alternatives**

### Address the Airport's planning needs

- Airfield Runways/Taxiways/Parking Aprons
  Landside –Access/vehicle parking
  Terminal FBO needs/passenger facilities
  Support Uses Fueling, ATCT, Maintenance
- Identify Primary and Secondary Needs
- Analyze each group of facilities individually and collectively

## **Evaluating Alternatives**

### Establish Evaluation Criteria including:

Operational Performance (capacity, capability and aircraft movement efficiency)

Phasing and Construct-ability Factors (Ease of implementation, Phasing, impacts to operations, construction related issues)

Environmental Factors

(noise, wetlands, light emissions, air quality, social impacts, etc.)

Fiscal Factors

(estimates, funding sources, preliminary cost benefit analysis)



## **Selecting an Alternative**

- Summation of the alternative evaluation criteria
- Quantify attributes and constraints
- Summarize supplemental analyses and evaluations
- Receive stakeholder input through the public involvement process
- Consider sponsor preferences
- Select Alternatives that best balance all factors and considerations

