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**Bredesen Announces Recovery Act Grant for Greeneville/Greene County Municipal Airport**  
*Grant awarded through TDOT's Aeronautics Division*

**NASHVILLE**—Governor Phil Bredesen announced today that \$4.5 million in federal Recovery Act funds have been approved for the Greeneville/Greene County Municipal Airport.

“Our local airports are vital to the economy and travel system of Tennessee,” said Bredesen. “Investing in our airports helps keep them competitive and efficient at meeting the needs of businesses and travelers. I’m pleased to support continued improvement at Greeneville/Greene County Municipal Airport.”

Greeneville/Greene Municipal Airport will use the funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to correct runway line-of-sight issues at the airport. The project will be funded with 100% federal funds. The Recovery Act does not require a local match.

The grants are made available through the Tennessee Department of Transportation’s Aeronautics Division.

“This division administers federal and state funding to assist in the location, design, construction and maintenance of Tennessee’s diverse public aviation system,” reported TDOT Commissioner Gerald Nicely. “We are pleased to continue to support Tennessee’s general aviation and commercial airports.”

Except for routine expenditures, grant applications are reviewed by the Tennessee Aeronautics Commission (TAC), which is a five member board charged with policy planning and with regulating changes in the state airport system plan.

TAC Chair Larry Mullins explained, “Our board examines the applications carefully to ensure that the proper state and local matching funds are in place and that the grants will be put to good use.”

The TDOT Aeronautics Division has the responsibility of inspecting and licensing the state’s 126 heliports and 75 public/general aviation airports. The Division also provides aircraft and related services for state government and staffing for the [Tennessee Aeronautics Commission](#).

Senator Steve Southerland and Representatives David Hawk and Eddie Yokley represent Greene County in the Tennessee General Assembly and helped secure this grant.

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