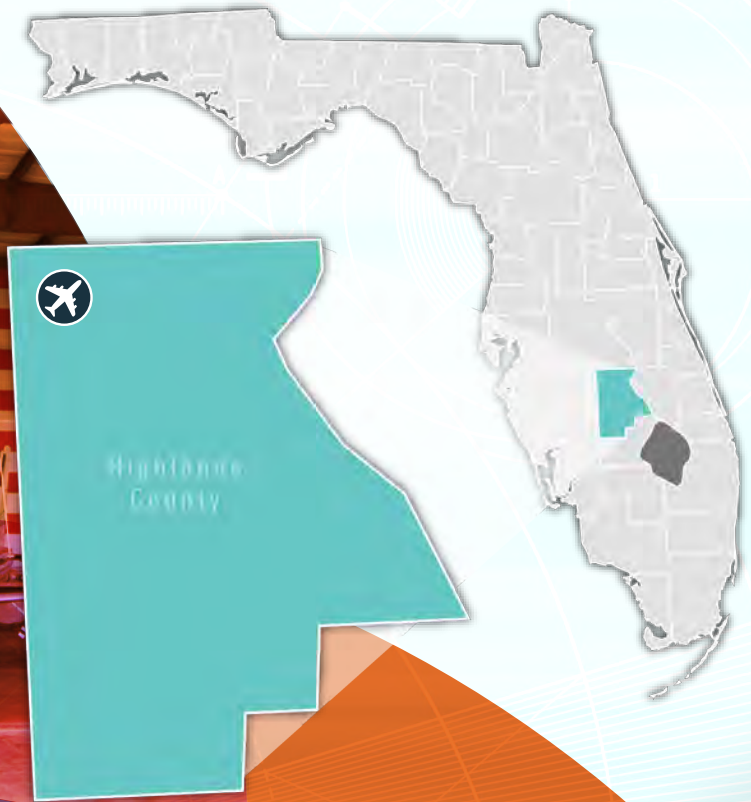


Avon Park Executive Airport



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Airport: Avon Park Executive Airport (AVO)

City: Avon Park, Florida

County: Highlands County

Owner: City of Avon Park

Role: General Aviation Airport

Located in the northwest corner of Highlands County in south central Florida, Avon Park Executive Airport serves many types of general aviation activities. With its two intersecting runways, the longest of which is 5,374 feet, the airport can accommodate smaller general aviation business jet aircraft. The airport's terminal is ideal for serving local users as well as those visiting the area.



Existing Facilities

Facilities at the Avon Park Executive airport include runway 05/23 and runway 10/28. Runway 05/23 is asphalt and measures 5,374 feet by 100 feet. It is equipped with medium intensity runway edge lights, precision approach path indicators, and runway end identifier lights. The runway is served by a full parallel taxiway that measures 35 feet wide. Runway 10/28 is asphalt and measures 3,844 feet by 75 feet. It is equipped with medium intensity runway edge lights and precision approach path indicators. The runway is served by partial taxiway that measure 30 feet wide. The runways intersect and both utilize the RNAV GPS instrument approach procedure. Other facilities at the airport include a 5,000 square-foot terminal building that provides space for the Fixed Base Operator, airport administration, flight training, and airport operations. The terminal building includes 18 auto parking spaces and is ideal for serving local users and those visiting the area. There are two corporate hangars and one building suitable for maintenance operation at the airport. There are also 11 tie-down spaces and 58 T-hangars at the airport to store GA aircraft. The airport includes 100LL fuel and JET-A fuel available for its users. There is also an Automated Weather Observation System that was installed and a GA apron that was moved and expanded.



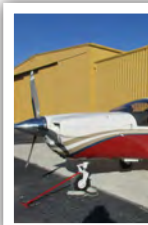
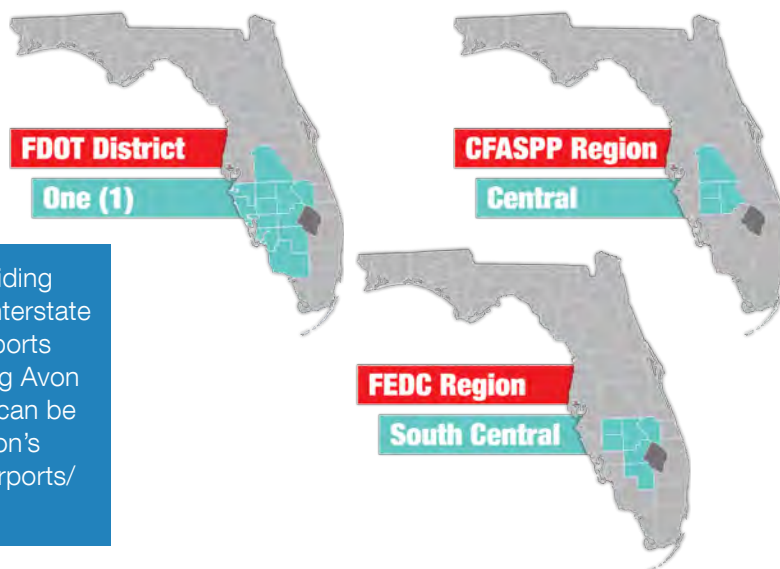
For more information, please visit AVO's website at:

http://avonpark.cc/departments/avon_park_executive_airport/index.php

Airport Classification



Local airports serve communities by providing access to primarily intrastate and some interstate markets. There are 1,278 Local Asset airports nationwide and 29 within Florida, including Avon Park Executive Airport. More information can be found in the Federal Aviation Administration's ASSET Studies at https://www.faa.gov/airports/planning_capacity/ga_study/.



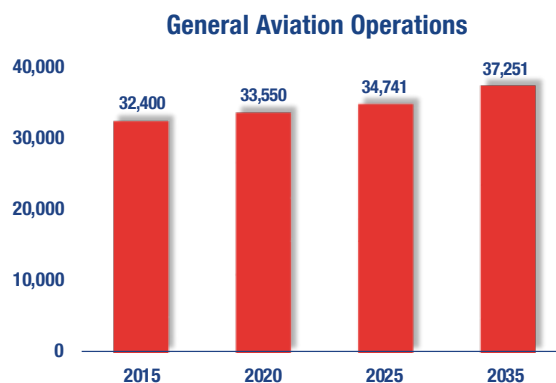
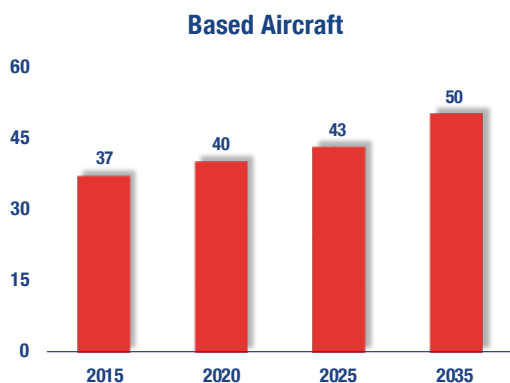


The Avon Park Executive Airport serves many different facets of GA for the region. The airport mainly focuses on recreational activity, flight training, and business activity. For the 12-month period ending on July 12, 2017, approximately 53 percent of all operations were attributable to transient aviation while 47 percent were due to local aviation. Recreational activity is a major use of the airport and includes power paragliding and occasional blimp landings. There is one flight school at the airport that has based aircraft dedicated to flight training. Flight training and paragliding training accounts for approximately 20 percent of the airport's annual operations. Corporate and business flights are also becoming more common at the airport with about 40 percent of its annual operations being business-related. Approximately 40 percent of the airport's based aircraft are owned by local businesses and about 5 percent of all visiting aircraft fall into the business jet category. The facility plans to continue to grow as mainly a corporate and recreational airport.



Current and Forecast Demand

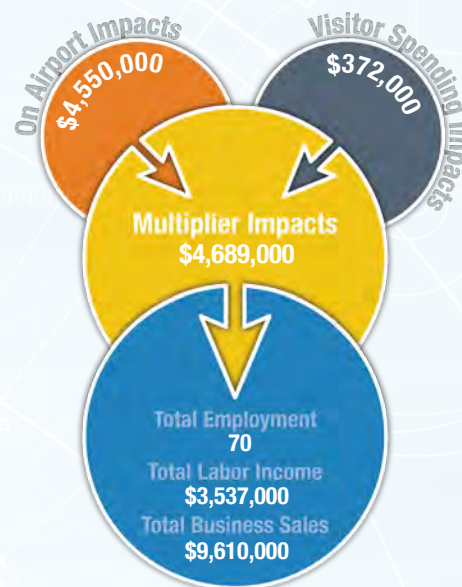
The Avon Park Executive Airport plays an important role in serving different GA needs. As of 2014, there were 37 based aircraft and a total of 32,400 annual operations at the airport. Of the based aircraft, the majority are single-engine airplanes with the remaining being multi-engine airplanes, jet airplanes, and helicopters. About half of the based aircraft are currently stored in T-hangars or conventional hangars. Historic and forecast FDOT aviation activity information on file for the airport is as follows:



Economic Impact

Avon Park Executive Airport is in Highlands County, approximately 85 miles southeast of Tampa. The airport has two intersecting runways, with the longest runway measuring 5,374 feet. The airport accommodates smaller general aviation business jet aircraft and serves many types of general aviation activities; its terminal is ideal for serving local and transient users.

The airport primarily supports recreational flying, including power paragliding and occasional blimp landings. Other activities include agricultural spraying, cargo activity, emergency medical aviation, and law enforcement. The airport also supports business travel and provides business public charters, as well as flight trainings and paragliding trainings. There is also a paint shop located at the airport and car rentals to serve its users.



Other Airport Characteristics

The Avon Park Executive Airport focuses on serving GA recreational flying, business flights, and flight training activity. There are no based military aircraft at the airport and no transient military aircraft utilize the airport's facilities. Other activities that occasionally take place at the airport include agricultural spraying and emergency medical aviation.

Current and Future System Service Requirements/Recommendations

The airport has one flight school and serves mostly recreational aviation, making it a Flight Training and Recreational/Sport airport. It also serves an agriculture spraying operation, making it a Business/Recreational airport. The airport would like to continue serving flight training in the future, but not recreational aviation. Instead, it would like to cater to business jets. However, its low Corporate quotient, due to low Land Use Compatibility, Financial, and Approaches indices, indicate that this is not a good airport for providing Corporate service. It received the same quotient for Business/Recreational, indicating that it does not have the necessary facilities to serve this segment in the future.

General Aviation Airport Role



Flight Training



Recreational/Sport



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