September 21, 2022
Transportation Interim Committee



Uses of state aircraft

- Emergency Response
 - COVID equipment and citizen retrieval
- Connection to 37 Communities
 - One hour flight time to any corner of the state
- State Wildfire Surveillance
 - Only state aircraft get approval to fly within wildfire Temporary Flight Restriction

- Flood Surveys
 - · Cedar City Response
 - Bridge outage in Region 4
- More Efficient State Business
 - Multiple locations in a day



Flights by Agency: FY2015-22

| Agency | FY2015 | FY2016 | FY2017 | FY2018 | FY2019 | FY2020 | FY2021 | FY2022 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| University of Utah | 144 | 188 | 173 | 192 | 127 | 111 | | |
| Department of Health and Human Services | 57 | 46 | 28 | 9 | 34 | 13 | 13 | 12 |
| Governor/Lt. Governor | 20 | 23 | 17 | 16 | 13 | 11 | 6 | 18 |
| Department of Transportation | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 7 |
| School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration | 4 | 2 | | | | | 2 | 1 |
| State Office of Education | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Department of Natural Resources | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 2 |
| State Board of Regents | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Department of Agriculture and Food | 9 | 7 | | 4 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 3 |
| Department of Administrative Services | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 | | 1 |
| Utah Courts | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | | | |
| Department of Workforce Services | 1 | | 3 | 2 | 6 | 2 | | |
| Department of Public Safety | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Bridgerland Technical College | | | | | | 1 | | |
| Attorney General | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Total Flights | 245 | 277 | 232 | 232 | 197 | 152 | 24 | 46 |



Operation and Maintenance

- \$980,350 per year
- Includes pilots, mechanics, maintenance, avionics/manual subscriptions, training

Hangar and Office

- \$42,991 per year
- Includes utilities and property maintenance
- Shared costs between UDOT, DPS, and DNR

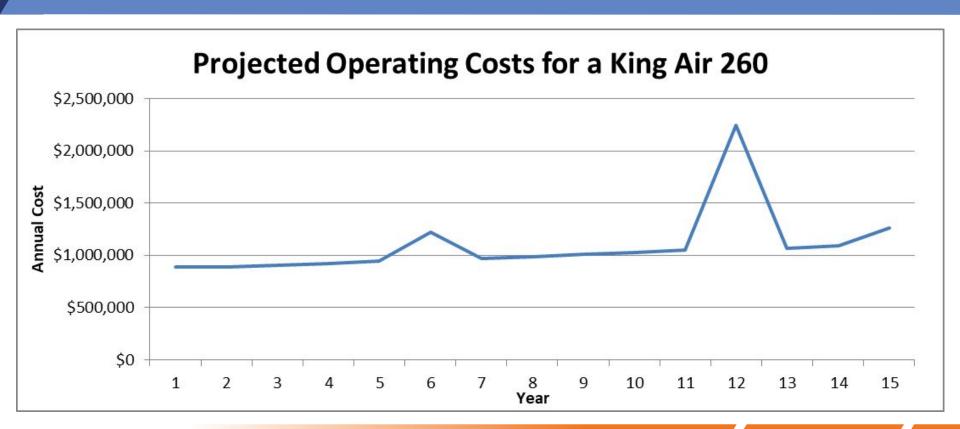




Replacement Option - Sell 2, Buy 1

- Sell both state planes
 - Market value uncertain
 - Likely range: \$2.5 M \$4.0 M
- Purchase King Air 260 ≈ \$8.2 M
 - Purchase Cost: \$8.2 M \$??? = \$4.2 M \$5.7 M
 - Projected operation costs: \$885,000







Impacts of <u>SB 166 Aviation Amendments</u> (2022)

- Currently, plane operations funded by Aeronautics Restricted Account
- SB 166, phases out Aeronautics Restricted Account funding
- New funding source is not specified

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(6) The Department may not use money in the account to fund:
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          (a) more than 77% of the operations costs related to state owned aircraft in fiscal year
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      2023-24:
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          (b) more than 52% of the operations costs related to state owned aircraft in fiscal year
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      2024-25:
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          (c) more than 26% of the operations costs related to state owned aircraft in fiscal year
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      2025-26:
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          (d) more than 10% of the operations costs related to state owned aircraft in fiscal year
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      2026-27; or
         (e) any operations costs related to state owned aircraft in a fiscal year beginning on or
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      after July 1, 2027.
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Impacts of SB 166 Aviation Amendments (2022)

| Fiscal Year | Operation Costs | Aeronautics Fund | Plane Fees* | General Fund (or other Source) |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| 2024 | \$980,350 | \$754,870 | \$176,000 | \$49,481 |
| 2025 | \$1,199,357 | \$623,978 | \$199,000 | \$367,568 |
| 2026 | \$1,019,956 | \$265,189 | \$222,000 | \$532,768 |
| 2027 | \$1,040,355 | \$104,036 | \$245,000 | \$691,320 |
| 2028 | \$1,261,162 | \$0 | \$268,000 | \$993,162 |

^{*}Plane usage has fluctuated significantly over the last several years so future estimates show modest growth until more consistent trends are available to analyze.



