

Visalia Airport (KVIS)



# **Airport History**

- First airport in Tulare County (1929)
  - \* Putnam Field
- Visalia Army Air Field (1942)
  - \* Anti-submarine patrols
- War Department transfer to City (1946)
- United Airlines Service (1946-1979)
- Essential Air Service (1978-2016)



# **Airport Details**

- •821 acres
- •Runway 12/30 6,562 feet; Helipad
- Airport-Based Aircraft: 198
  - \* Single-engine: 147
  - \* Multi-engine: 45
  - \* Jet: 3
  - \* Helicopter: 3



# Airport Services

- Maintenance
  - \* Aircraft Mechanical Services, Inc.
  - \* California Aviation Maintenance, Inc.
  - \* Ly-Con Aircraft Engines
- Charter Services
  - \* Mack Aviation, LLC
  - \* Optimal Aviation Services, LLC
  - \* Shanair, LLC
- Aircraft Rental and Flight Instruction
  - \* Visalia Flyers, LLC





# Airport Focuses

- Modernization
  - \* Terminal refresh
  - \* FAA Communication Infrastructure Update
  - \* New Airfield Sweeper
- Community Outreach
  - \* Field Trips
  - \* Internship Opportunities
  - \* Wings and Wheels
  - \* Young Eagle Partnership Through Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA)
- Future Airport Development and Emerging Trends





# **Terminal Refresh**

- Bathroom Remodel
- New Flooring
- New Furniture
- New Appliances
- New Paint





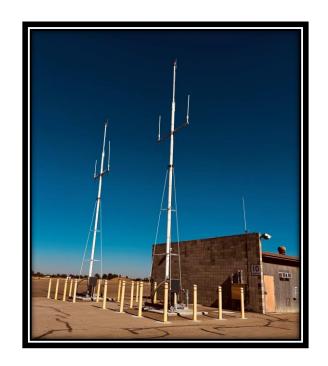




# **Modernization**

FAA Communication
Infrastructure Update

New Airfield Sweeper

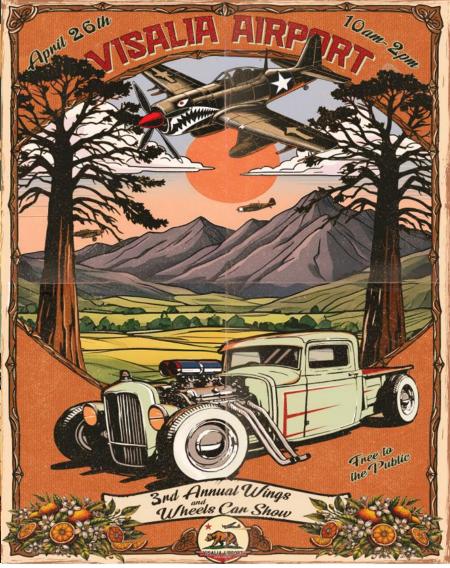














Visalia Municipal Airport hosted the 3rd Annual Wings and Wheels Car and Plane show on April 26, 2025.



# Flight Analytics

#### **Estimated Annual Flight Operations:**

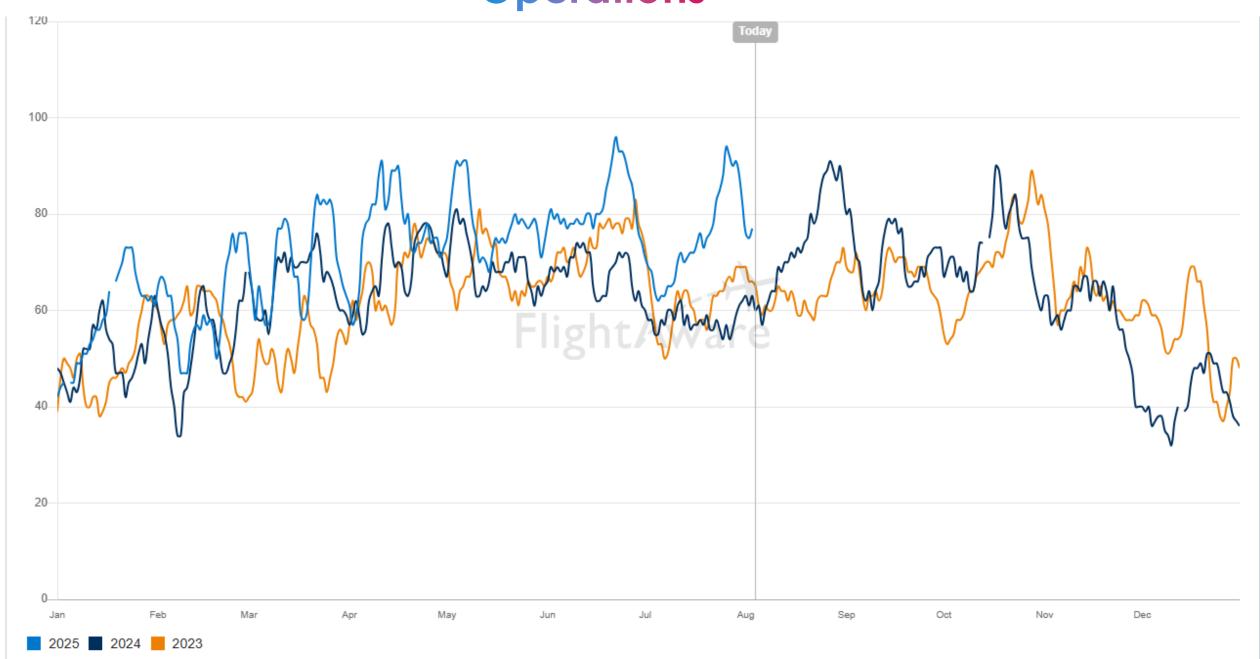
2025: On pace for 42,000

2024: 34,500

2023: 33,000



### **Operations**



### **Aviation Fuel Sales**

FY 2020-21: 306,386 gallons of fuel

FY 2024-25: 322,000 gallons of fuel

\* 5% Increase

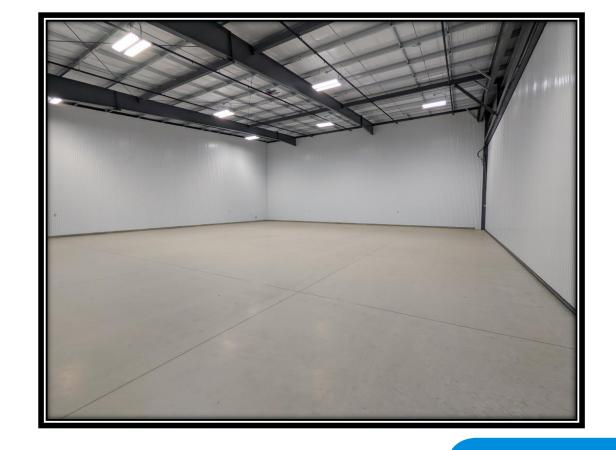
July 2025 fuel sales for this year showed continued upward trend, with total gallons sold up almost 18% over July 2024

July 29, 2025 saw the highest volume of Jet Fuel in gallons sold (5796) on record



# <u>Airport Projects</u>

- Airport Layout Plan Update
- Reconstruct Taxiways A & B
- New General Aviation Terminal
- New Tiedown Apron
- Reconstruct Hanger Taxilanes
- Relocate Helicopter Parking and New Access Road
- Replace and Expand West Cargo Apron and New Connector Taxiway

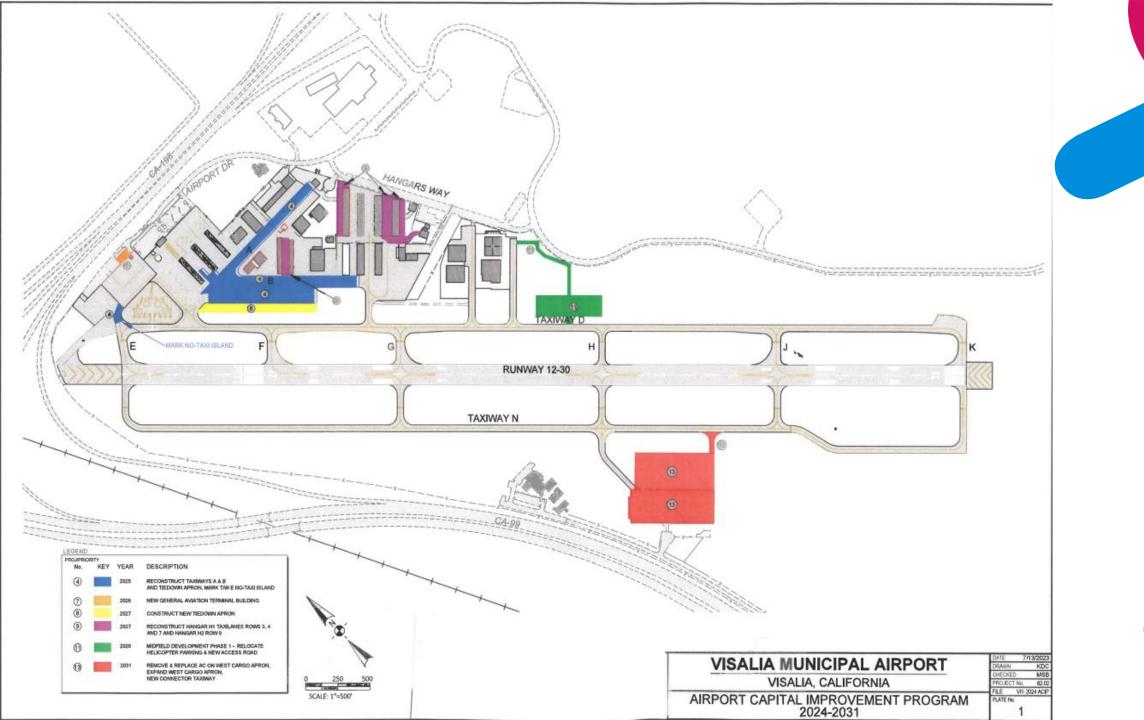


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#### LEGEND

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No.	KEY	YEAR	DESCRIPTION
4		2025	RECONSTRUCT TAXIMAYS A & B AND TIEDOWN APRON, MARK TAW E NO-TAXI ISLAND
7		2026	NEW GENERAL AVIATION TERMINAL BUILDING
8		2027	CONSTRUCT NEW TIEDOWN APRON
9		2027	RECONSTRUCT HANGAR H1 TAXILANES ROWS 3, 4 AND 7 AND HANGAR H2 ROW 9
10		2029	MIDFIELD DEVELOPMENT PHASE 1 - RELOCATE HELICOPTER PARKING & NEW ACCESS ROAD
13		2031	REMOVE & REPLACE AC ON WEST CARGO APRON, EXPAND WEST CARGO APRON, NEW CONNECTOR TAXIWAY

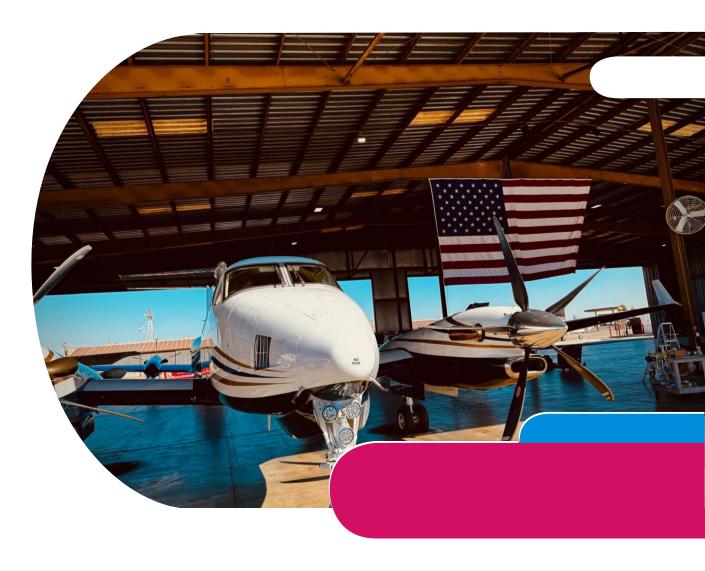


# **Essential Air Service**

- SeaPort Airlines terminate operations on January 15, 2016
- FAA created Community Flexibility Pilot Program (2015) for 10 EAS Airports to participate
- Visalia only Airport to participate in Pilot Program
- Visalia Airport received \$3.7 million for capital improvements for no EAS 2017-2026
- FAA still to determine if it will allow reauthorization/renewal of the Community Flexibility Program

#### What's Next

- \* New General Aviation Terminal
- \* Staff to initiate a discussion with the City Council and Leadership regarding Essential Air Service/Community Flexibility Pilot Program Reauthorization
- \* New Facilities
- \* FBO/Fuel Provider Options
- \* Pavement Maintenance
- \* Solar Field/Microgrid Development
- \* Industrial Development (Air Cargo)



# **Questions?**

