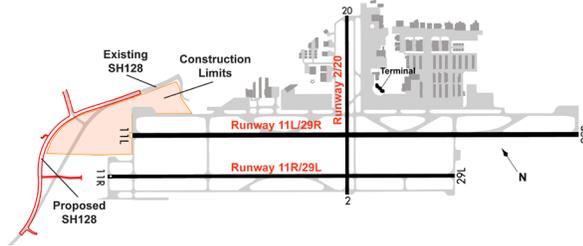




## SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT ROCKY MOUNTAIN METROPOLITAN AIRPORT

### WHY?

In order to improve overall safety at the Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport, we are constructing an extension of the safety area of Runway 11L, as required by the Federal Aviation Administration's rules and regulations. The extended safety area is not paved but is graded relatively flat to allow a plane to enter the area without incurring significant damage. It acts as a buffer for aircraft taking off and landing. Whether it be a plane landing and not being able to come to a stop by the end of the runway, or a landing plane that miscalculates and touches down before the start of the runway, or even a plane taking off that does not reach the needed speed for liftoff and then must stop, the safety area is imperative in preventing these types of situations.



### WHAT?

In order to construct the safety area, more space is needed at the end of the runway, which is why State Highway 128 (SH 128) is currently being relocated. The SH 128 project is the first part of this plan. The next step is to remove the existing retaining wall and begin to build out the safety area. In order to do this, a significant amount of dirt will be required from several airport sources. The majority of this dirt will come from Jefferson County property just west of the intersection of Simms Street and SH 128. The remaining dirt will come from airport property on the east side of the same intersection. Due to the construction area being at the end of an active runway, dust control will be crucial to this project. While this area is being constructed, all necessary stormwater and utilities in the affected area will be constructed accordingly. Once complete, you will see a large, natural looking, vegetated sloped hill and a much smaller retaining wall.

### WHEN?

The project is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2013 and will last through spring 2014. During this time, the majority of work will be performed during daylight hours. The only major impacts you may see on the surrounding roads could be trucks hauling dirt or larger earth moving equipment crossing Simms Street. The crossing at Simms Street will have a temporary signal light in place to ensure safe operations.

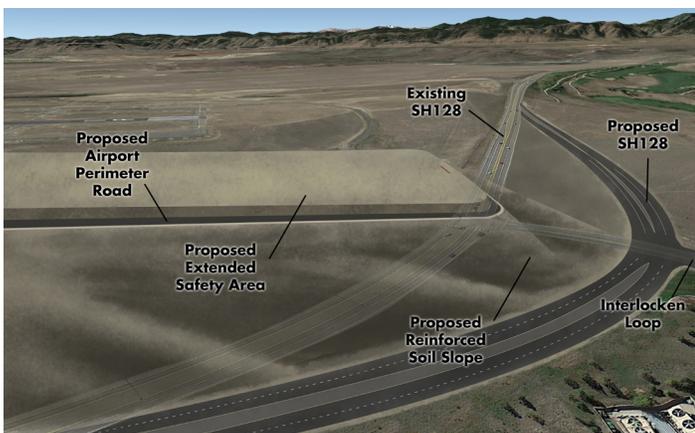
### WHO?

This project is being lead by the Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport. The project is being funded by the Federal Aviation Administration, CDOT Division of Aeronautics, and the Airport. Aviation, Inc. is the engineering firm responsible for both the design of the project and construction administration. Kelley Trucking, Inc. will be the prime contractor.

### WHERE?

Construction will be primarily to the south of the newly constructed portion of SH 128. It will also include a piece of Jefferson County land just west of Simms Street.

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Rendering of relocated SH 128, looking west.



Rendering of relocated SH 128, looking east.