

REPORT TO THE CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY

Will Worcester Regional Airport's revised federal landing rules curb future flight cancellations, delays and diversion?

Yes.

The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport), which operates Worcester Regional Airport, has been working to address the unique weather, geographic and regulation issues that impact operations:

- On January 8, 2014 the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approved new landing standards at Worcester Regional Airport that will reduce delays, diversions and cancellations during low visibility conditions such as fog;
- This the result of advance planning by Massport. In Summer 2013 Massport completed work to the airport's landing areas and requested a review from the FAA so Worcester Regional Airport would qualify under these rules;
- The air travel season has been a significant challenge across the country, and Worcester Regional Airport has held its own. Since the start of service on November 7, 2013, 87% of flights have operated*.
- These improvements will continue. Massport approved development of a next-generation instrument landing system as part of a comprehensive plan to further boost the airport's ability to navigate weather challenges in the future.

Investing in Worcester Regional Airport is part of Massport's plan to provide strong commercial air service for residents throughout the region. This includes investing in strong airline partners, strong operating systems and strong community support to serve passengers throughout all of Central Massachusetts.

**This is just the beginning.
Let's get there together.**

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