Public Notice
Passenger Facility Charge Application
Rafael Hernandez Airport,
Aguadilla, PR

The Puerto Rico Ports Authority intends to file a notice of intent with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to impose Passenger Facility Charges (PFC) and use PFC revenue for future projects at the Rafael Hernandez Airport (Airport).

As required by Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 158.24, the Airport must provide written notice to the public and an opportunity for public comment before filing its notice of intent with the FAA. The notice required by §158.24(a) must include:

(i) A description of the project(s) the public agency is considering for funding by PFC's;
(ii) A brief justification for each project the public agency is considering for funding by PFC's;
(iii) The PFC level for each project;
(iv) The estimated total PFC revenue the public agency will use for each project;
(v) The proposed charge effective date for the application or notice of intent;
(vi) The estimated charge expiration date for the application or notice of intent;
(vii) The estimated total PFC revenue the public agency will collect for the application or notice of intent; and
(viii) The name of and contact information for the person within the public agency to whom comments should be sent.

The period of public comment will expire at 11:59 pm on Sunday, May 24, 2020.

Please send any of your comments to:

Eng. Romel Pedraza, P.E.
Assistant Executive Director
Planning, Engineering & Construction
(787) 729-8579, or
RPedraza@prpa.pr.gov
**The summary, descriptions, and justifications for the projects to be funded are as follows:**

PRPA is seeking approval to impose and use PFC revenues on a pay-as-you-go basis for eight projects. PRPA is seeking to reimburse the local matching share of previously awarded Federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants for these projects. A summary of projects, their status, and their proposed PFC funding amount is shown below.

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<th>PFC Level</th>
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<td>Rehabilitate Apron</td>
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<td>Acquire Equipment</td>
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* AIP Grant matching share

**PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS AND JUSTIFICATIONS:**

**Wildlife Hazard Assessment - Project 03-1 (Airport-wide study – no diagram)**

This project consisted of a wildlife hazard assessment study and report conducted for BQN. The study and report were required by 14 CFR Part 139 and are necessary for the PRPA to minimize and mitigate wildlife hazards in and around the airport.

This project is complete, and PRPA is seeking to reimburse the local matching share of a previously awarded AIP grant.

**Project 03-2 - Deleted**

**Rehabilitate Apron – Project 03-3 (See Diagram in Attachment A)**

This project consisted of the rehabilitation of approximately 45,000 square yards of aircraft apron at BQN. This portion of the apron had deteriorated substantially and had reached the end of its useful life. As a result, the apron had become a foreign object and debris hazard to aircraft operations.
This project is complete, and PRPA is seeking to reimburse the local matching share of a previously awarded AIP grant.

**Rehabilitate Runway – Project 03-4 (See Diagram in Attachment A)**

This project is for the design and related services associated with the first phase of runway 8/26 pavement rehabilitation. At the time this project was executed, the runway pavement had reached a critical point having deteriorated substantially. The PRPA, in consultation with its engineers, determined that a rehabilitation was in order to preserve the pavement until a more reconstruction could be planned, designed, and funded.

This project is complete, and PRPA is seeking to reimburse the local matching share of a previously awarded AIP grant.

**Rehabilitate Taxiway Lighting – Project 03-5 (See Diagram in Attachment A)**

This project is for the design of the relocation of taxiway lighting in conjunction with the reduction in taxiway width accomplished in another project. The relocation of the taxiway lighting conforms to FAA design standard requirements.

This project is complete, and PRPA is seeking to reimburse the local matching share of previously awarded AIP grants.

**Acquire Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Vehicle – Project 03-6 (Equipment acquisition – no diagram)**

This project is for the replacement of an existing Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Vehicle at BQN. The prior vehicle had reached the end of its useful life. The replacement vehicle enables the PRPA to respond to airfield emergencies and to meet the requirements of 14 CFR Part 139.

This project is complete, and PRPA is seeking to reimburse the local matching share of a previously awarded AIP grant.

**Acquire Equipment – Project 03-7 (Equipment acquisition – no diagram)**

This project is for the replacement of an existing runway sweeper at BQN. The prior vehicle had reached the end of its useful life. The replacement vehicle enables the PRPA to remove debris from airfield pavements and to meet the requirements of 14 CFR Part 139.

This project is complete, and PRPA is seeking to reimburse the local matching share of a previously awarded AIP grant.

**PFC Application Preparation – Project 03-8**

The PRPA is seeking the reimbursement of costs related to the preparation of the current PFC application for PSE.

Tasks associated with the current application include:

- Collection and organization of project documentation
- Drafting of PFC meeting notice letter
- Preparation of airline and public consultation documents
- Participation in preliminary meeting and air carrier consultation
- Preparation of draft and final PFC applications
- Coordination with PRPA and FAA staff

**PFC Program Administration – Project 03-9**

The PRPA is seeking the reimbursement of PFC program costs related to ongoing administration of this PFC application for PSE as required under Subparts C and D of 14 CFR Part 158 (Collection, Handling, and Remittance of PFCs; and Reporting, Recordkeeping, and Audit).

**PFC LEVEL, PROPOSED CHARGE EFFECTIVE DATE, ESTIMATED CHARGE EXPIRATION DATE, AND TOTAL PFC REVENUE**

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<th>PFC Level:</th>
<th>PRPA proposes to impose the PFC at the $4.50 level.</th>
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<td>Effective Date:</td>
<td>September 1, 2020</td>
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<td>Expiration Date:</td>
<td>November 1, 2021 (1 year, 2 months – 14 months)</td>
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<td>Total PFC Revenue:</td>
<td>This notice requests collection and use of $1,738,987 in PFC funds.</td>
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**CLASS OF CARRIER NOT REQUIRED TO COLLECT THE PFC**

PRPA does not intend to exclude any class of air carrier from the requirements to collect PFCs at BQN.
ATTACHMENT A
PROJECT DIAGRAMS
Rehabilitate Apron - Project 03-3
Rehabilitate Runway - Project 03-4