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## City Hosts Launch Celebration for ELP Terminal Ceiling and Lighting Project

**WHO**: City of El Paso International Airport

WHAT: Terminal Ceiling and Lighting Project Launch

Celebration

**WHEN:** 9 a.m. Thursday, July 27, 2023

WHERE: El Paso International Airport, 6702 Convair Rd.

The City of El Paso International Airport (ELP) proudly announces the launch of the Terminal Ceiling and Lighting Project, a terminal improvements initiative designed to enhance the passenger experience and promote energy efficiency.

ELP secured \$5 million from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Airport Terminals Program to fund the project.

Last year the Federal Aviation Administration received more than 650 applications from 532 airports for terminal projects. El Paso International Airport was one of 85 airports selected to receive funding in this first round of grants.

Among the planned improvements is the replacement of old fluorescent lights with energy-efficient LEDs, which is expected to result in a 20 percent reduction in lighting electricity costs. Additionally, the ceiling tiles will be replaced to give the terminal a fresh look, and new seating will be installed throughout the airport which will enhance accessibility for individuals with disabilities

"ELP has received nearly \$60 million in federal grants in the past year, allowing us to improve airport infrastructure to provide our passengers and visitors with an enhanced experience," El Paso Aviation Director Sam Rodriguez said. "Our successful strategy of having shovel-ready projects has been instrumental in increasing our funding opportunities. We are excited to start this project so that the community can experience the benefits of the federal funding first-hand."

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