



2024-25 Fresno COG One Voice Advocacy Trip

Regional Priorities Submittal Form

Submittal Deadline: Jan. 6, 2025

Keep your regional priority content to less than three pages long. Do not change the font (*Arial*). Contact Brenda Thomas at bthomas@fresnocog with questions.

One Voice Proposed Priority title:

Fresno Yosemite International Airport (FAT) East Terminal Expansion Project

Sponsoring agency/business:

City of Fresno Airports

1. Request summary – provide specific priority “ask(s)”:

The City of Fresno seeks an additional \$7M for completion of design and site preparation for the East Terminal Expansion Project.

2. About the Priority: (Provide specific information about your proposed priority. Include information you want included in the trip materials.)

City of Fresno - Airports requests assistance with funding the next phase of terminal expansion – East Terminal Expansion. With the first expansion expected to open in Fall 2025, the airport will realize improved efficiencies with the addition of a new Federal Inspection Service Facility and two additional aircraft parking gates to replace ground level processing for international flights. The current priority will deliver an increase in capacity with two additional aircraft parking gates capable of processing domestic and international flights.

3. Priority background – (Include the priority issues, history and an explanation of the regional significance if not provided in question 1)

The City of Fresno is currently undertaking a Terminal Expansion Project, the largest expansion in the Airports history. The current project is needed in response to the rapid

and sustained growth experienced throughout the Central Valley Region which is driving the need for increased air travel. This project continues the effort to meet current and future air travel demand at the airport. Fresno Yosemite International Airport (FAT) is a regional asset supporting the economic development and growth of the central valley region by providing for the commercial air service. In calendar year 2023, more than 2.4 million passengers utilized the airport, a historical record for passengers. It is anticipated that calendar year 2024 will bring another historic year with a projected 12% increase over the prior year.

With the increase in growth at the airport, there is strong interest from existing airlines to increase service on existing routes and to introduce new domestic and international destinations from Fresno, as well as interest from potential new airline entrants into our market. However, this will be highly dependent on the airports ability to accommodate the increased offerings. The East Terminal Expansion provides for additional facilities to meet the demand.

Increased and robust commercial air service and air cargo access are key drivers for the local economy and positions the region to welcome new business. This project supports meeting the need for growth.

Initial funding need for the project will support the planning effort, including environmental and design.

4. If your priority is not transportation related, are there any transportation policy connections?

This is a critical Transportation Infrastructure Project.

5. Provide high-resolution photos, graphics or other explanatory attachments for the One Voice trip materials. Do not copy and paste them here, attach them as separate electronic files. Then, describe the attachments and include them with your submittal.

Attached is a conceptual drawing of the proposed East Terminal Expansion Project at Fresno Yosemite International Airport (FAT)

6. Contact – Include the contact information for the priority submittal **and** the contact information of the person that will be attending the One Voice trip to speak on behalf of the priority:

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Fresno Yosemite International Airport (FAT) East Terminal Expansion Project (Conceptual)

