

Washington, DC -- Today, U.S. Representative Michael A. Arcuri (D-Utica) announced that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has awarded the Greater Binghamton Airport \$7,588,704 for taxiway extension and rehabilitation.

“Expanding and improving our transportation infrastructure is critical to foster local business growth and economic development,” **said Arcuri, a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee which is responsible for authorizing funds for the FAA** . “During a recent visit to the Greater Binghamton Airport, I saw first-hand how these funds will improve safety and create far greater opportunities for airport expansion which is critical for our area’s growth. I will continue to do everything I can to support development efforts at the Binghamton Airport and economic growth across the Southern Tier.”

This grant will provide federal funding for the rehabilitation of Taxiway A and G at the Greater Binghamton Airport in Binghamton. Taxiway rehabilitation will ensure safe aircraft operations.

“We are fortunate to have an accessible, convenient, regional airport such as BGM,” **stated Broome County Executive Barbara J. Fiala** . “We are grateful to be receiving these funds from the FAA to make necessary taxiway improvements. Recently, Congressman Arcuri and I toured the airport together to identify needed upgrades and areas for future development. More and more leisure and business travelers are choosing to fly from BGM. Additionally, BGM greatly assists our region’s economic growth and viability.”

“We are especially pleased that Congressman Arcuri recognizes the economic benefit the Greater Binghamton Airport provides to our communities,” said Catherine Glover, President & CEO of the Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce. “The Congressman heard our message during his visit and has delivered on his promise to help us revitalize our region. On behalf of our 1000 business members and their 50,000 employees, we say thank you.”

Last year, Arcuri announced over \$600,000 in federal grants for safety improvements at the Airport.

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