

Grand Forks International Airport EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN

Grand Forks International Airport has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Ryan Riesinger at (701)-795-6981 or rriesinger@gfkairport.com. Grand Forks International Airport is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a commercial airport or (2) this airport may be used by an air carrier described in USC 42301(a)(1) for diversions.

This plan describes how, following excessive tarmac delays and to the extent practicable, Grand Forks International Airport will:

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
- Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport; and
- Provide a sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs & Border Protection (CBP).

Grand Forks International Airport has facility constraints that limit our ability to accommodate diverted flights and strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact Airport Operations at (701) 795-6984 for prior coordination of diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. Specific facility constraints include the following: lack of international passenger processing facilities, limited aircraft ramp parking space, limited common use gates, limited sterile holding area space.

Airport Information

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Airport Category: Large Hub Medium Hub Small Hub Non Hub

Contact Information

In the event of diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact the Airport Operations at (701) 795-6984 or ops@gfkairport.com for assistance.

Plan to Provide for the Deplanement of Passengers Following Excessive Tarmac Delays

Grand Forks International Airport does not own or operate any of the equipment needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft and is, therefore, unable on its own to provide for the deplanement of passengers. Additionally, airport personnel are not trained to assist in the deplanement of passengers using equipment owned or operated by air carriers or contract

service providers. We will provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed base operators and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the contact number listed above.

Plan to Provide for the Sharing of Facilities and Make Gates Available in an Emergency

The gates at Grand Forks International Airport are under common use gate leases permits, or agreements to air carriers and are controlled by the airport. We direct our common use air carrier users to make gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate, to the maximum extent practicable

Plan to Provide a Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection

Grand Forks International Airport does not have international passenger processing facilities. We will coordinate with local CBP and law enforcement officials to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted aircraft who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned. Once these efforts are complete, we will coordinate with local CBP officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection to be deplaned into these sterile areas to the extent practicable.

Public Access to the Emergency Contingency Plan

Grand Forks International Airport will provide public access to its emergency contingency plan through one or more of the following means:

- Posting in a conspicuous location on the airport website (<http://www.gfkairport.com>)
- Providing notice of the availability of the plan on the airport's social media accounts.
- Posting signs in conspicuous locations in the terminals.
- Advertising the availability of the plan in local newspapers of record.