New terminal coming to Fairfield Municipal Airport

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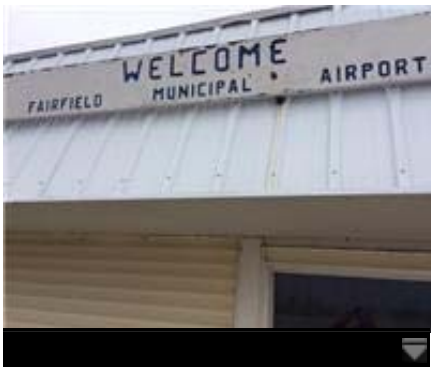

FAIRFIELD, IOWA -- Some major improvements will be coming to the Fairfield Municipal Airport thanks to a nearly half-million dollar federal grant.

U.S. Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, announced the $490,200 grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration yesterday.

The funding will be used for the construction of a new terminal building.

Airport officials say the current terminal, built in 1966, has reached the end of its useful life.

“They are going to tear this part of it down, the hangar stays, and then the new terminal building will be constructed on the same spot,” said Robert Lyons, Fairfield Municipal Airport Manager.

Construction work will begin on the new terminal sometime early this summer. Officials estimate a total of 5 months will be needed to complete the project.

The airport also received grant funds from the state of Iowa to construct the new terminal.