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THE DODGE CITY AIRPORT PROJECTS THAT WILL BE FUNDED INCLUDE:

- 0 ACQUIRING LAND FOR APPROACHES
- 0 ACQUIRING AN AIRCRAFT RESCUE AND FIREFIGHTING VEHICLE
- 0 CONSTRUCTION OF AN AIRCRAFT RESCUE AND FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT BUILDING

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