The Durango-La Plata County Airport (DRO) will break ground March 21, 2019 on new construction designed to improve and enhance the airport’s terminal. The $1.6 million capital improvement project — DRO’s largest expenditure of this type since the terminal was constructed in 1988 — aims to help enhance functionality for existing airport tenants, while creating leasable space for additional airport service providers.

Terminal construction will center on the renovation and expansion of interior areas and include the installation of a new baggage makeup facility, the modernization and expansion of airline offices, and the consolidation of TSA checked baggage screening operations. The project is expected to be completed by November 1, 2019.

**Project Schedule of Work**

- **SCHEDULE I** – CONSTRUCT NEW BAGGAGE MAKEUP FACILITY
- **SCHEDULE II** – RENOVATE INTERIOR AIRLINE OPS SPACE
- **SCHEDULE III** – INSTALL BAGGAGE CONVEYANCE
**Project Funding**
Competitive bidding resulted in a project budget of $1,590,901, including contingency funding. The construction will be funded entirely through airport enterprise funds, and will not require any investment from the City of Durango or La Plata County. The airport does not receive any local public tax dollars and funds all airport operations through revenue generated by its users and tenants.

**Project Facts**
- New 4,500 square foot baggage makeup facility
- Approximately 5,000 square feet of renovated interior space
- 220 work days

**Key Project Stakeholders**
- Durango-La Plata County Airport
- Jviation (Architect and Construction Administration)
- Jaynes Corporation (General Contractor)
- American Airlines
- United Airlines
- Transportation Security Administration