Potential Study of the St. Louis Lambert International Airport

Survey Response Summary

East-West Gateway
Board of Directors
February 26, 2020
1. How important do you consider a study of Lambert at this time?

2. How important is it to include the following in the scope of a study of Lambert?

3. What do you see as Lambert’s most significant challenges?

4. How can a study of Lambert address the needs of low-income and minority populations in the region?

5. What are your goals or desired outcomes for a study of Lambert?

6. Who are the regional partners and stakeholders that should be included in this discussion?

7. Would your organization have data or other information that you could share as part of any possible study?

8. Please share any additional thoughts you have regarding a study of Lambert.
How important do you consider a study of Lambert at this time?
(39 Responses)

- Not Important: 3% (1)
- Somewhat Important: 38% (15)
- Very Important: 59% (23)
How important is it to include the following in the scope of a study of Lambert?
What do you see as Lambert’s most significant challenges?

- Unused capacity
- Investment needs/deferred capital expenditures
- Connections with freight infrastructure
- Connections to surface transportation
- Passenger amenities
- Debt
- Perceptions/marketing

Bar chart showing the percentage of respondents indicating each challenge as
- Not Significant
- Somewhat Significant
- Very Significant
Survey Responses - Themes

• The vitality of the airport is important to the future of the regional economy.

• More international and direct flights are needed to attract more businesses to the region.

• Opportunity for creating jobs as well as ensuring minority businesses are given priority for service contacts.

• Understand the current and potential impact of Lambert on local communities and the region with a focus on North County communities and equity.

• Assess alternative governance structures and potential impact on success of the airport.

• Document the strengths and weaknesses of the airport finances, operations, and facilities.

• Several people who are not directly connected with the city mentioned the importance of heavily involving the city and that the outcome is fair to the city.

• A transparent and inclusive process is important.

• There is a desire for it to be recognized that there are other decisions – assets and challenges – that should be addressed regionally.
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