



MEMPHIS-SHELBY COUNTY

AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Operations Report

October 21, 2026

Service Spotlight



Recognition

Teresa Franklin – Delta

I wanted to give a huge shout out to Delta's Memphis gate agent, Teresa Franklin. She truly "Saved My Life" and I can't begin to tell you how incredibly grateful I am to her.

I'm a SkyWest flight attendant and was in the gate area waiting for the incoming SkyWest plane so that I could work the outbound flight to MSP. I was eating a cracker and somehow **a bite of the cracker lodged in my throat and totally blocked my airway. I couldn't breathe and couldn't talk** which was very unsettling. As much as I tried, I could not dislodge the cracker from my throat.

I thought to myself "I need to have someone do the Heimlich technique on me" which as a flight attendant we practice each year in our recurrent training but never expect that we could be the victim. I rushed over to Teresa at the gate desk and since I couldn't talk, I made hand gestures that I was choking. I turned around with my back to her, and **she immediately did the Heimlich technique on me**. After only 2 tries the cracker dislodged and I could breathe again. I was amazed that the technique worked so well and so quickly. I was also thankful that she knew how to perform the Heimlich because not everyone does.

It was a blessing that she was there to heroically help me and I can't commend her enough!

MEM Runway 5K, September 19, 2026



Almost 1,200 registrants

All proceeds benefit the Airport Community Foundation



 **Wayne Williams** is at Memphis International Airport. 13m · 🌐

SOME MILES JUST HIT DIFFERENT. ✈️🏃

Got to experience the Runway 5K at Memphis International Airport and this definitely wasn't your average Saturday run.



Laura Ladd Beard · 19h

Great race!!! Even better than last year.



Bryan Maxwell

Great job, team that put on this race today, great job by ALL, security was great, venue was spectacular

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MEMPHIS AIRPORT RUNWAY 5K.... We had a great time, haven't ran this fast in a while...OAKHAVEN was representing today and big shout out to the Airport Authority for having us out. #runway5k #runmemphis



Frank Diebolt · 18h

Had fun doing this. They done some things different which made it much better.



Bonnie Henry · 17h

The organizers and volunteers did a Great job !!!! This run was super fun!!! Loved running under the plane ✈️!!!!



MyLynda Webb · 17h

Hot 🥵 but it was a good run... good time just as last year-one of my favorite races for sure as the experience is like no other!

Ran the Memphis International Airport Runway 5K today and finished with a new 5K PR — 27:51! 🏃✈️

Finally broke the 28-minute barrier, averaging 8:59/mile. Really happy to see the training paying off and the times gradually coming down.

Such a unique experience getting to race on an actual airport runway! ✈️🔥

What a morning! Knocked out a 5k at the Memphis International Airport! What a great run! Definitely will be joining back again.

So dope to run this close to a Boeing 767.

#MemRun5k #Memrunway5k

Had a wonderful time running another 5k this morning! This time at the [Frederick W. Smith International Airport - MEM](#) during their 2nd Annual MEM Runway 5k with some great friends! ✈️

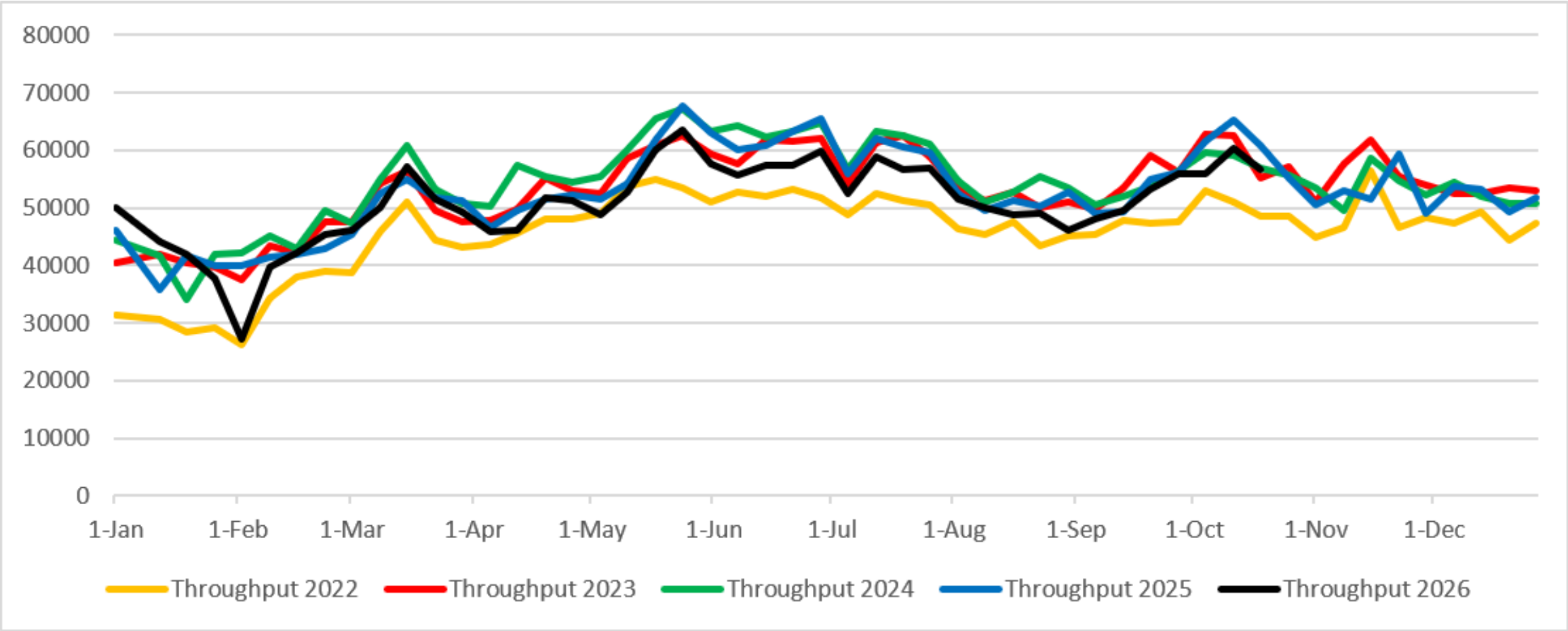


TSA Activity Recap





MEM Weekly Checkpoint Throughput Comparison





Checkpoint Metrics

- September 2026: Throughput – 221,295; -2.9% compared to September 2025
- October 2026 (10/1 -10/15): Throughput – 130,470; -5.3% compared to same period in 2025.
- Fall Break 2026 Peak Periods (10/1-10/5 and 10/8-10/12): Throughput – 93,275; -7.7% compared to the same periods in 2025.
- Friday, October 9th : Throughput – 10,917; busiest day of 2026 and ninth busiest day since 2008.



Thanksgiving 2026

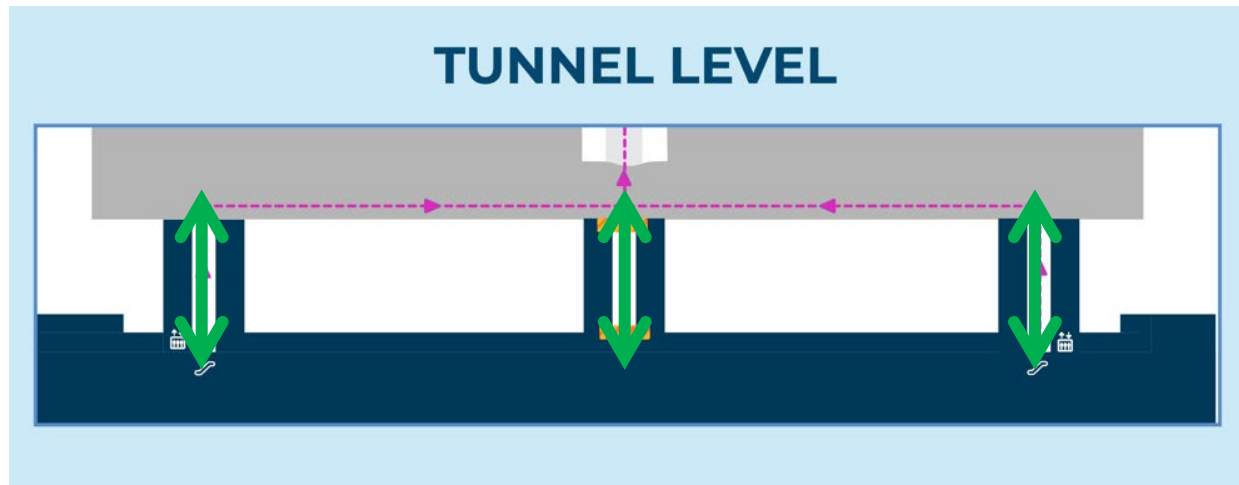
- Travel Period – Friday, November 20th, - Monday, November 30th
- Peak Days - Friday, November 20th, and Sunday, November 30th. Throughput: 10,000+ each day
- Available Seats – 101,389; -2.0% compared to 2025.

Operations, Maintenance & Development



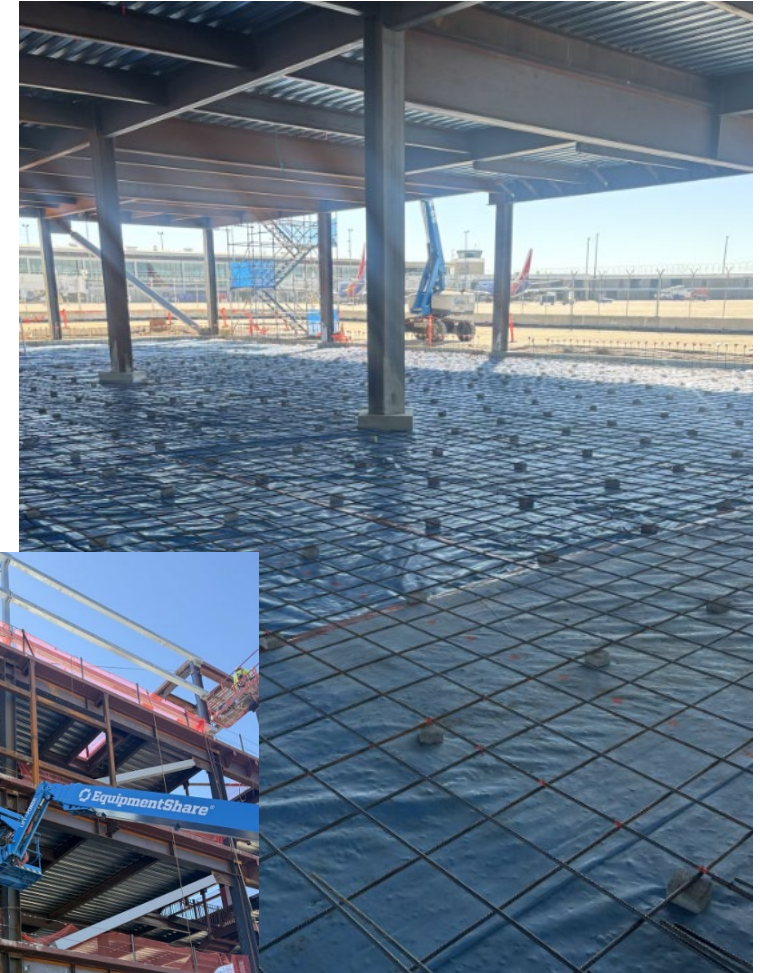
TMSP – Outer Road – Demo/Replacement

- On-Going construction efforts for the new Outer Roadway.
- Terminal B Pedestrian Tunnel re-opened on 9/2/26.
 - All 3 pedestrian tunnels currently open.
- ❖ **OUTER ROADWAY IMPACTS:**
 - **Coach Buses** moved from upper/outer drive to upper/inner drive with staging area near Blue Lot.
 - **Lower/outer drive and lower/middle drive are closed.**
 - **Annex and Vendor Lot access has been relocated**
 - **Access to/from parking is being restricted to dedicated crosswalks.**
 - **Commercial traffic was transitioned to the new location on September 9, 2025.**



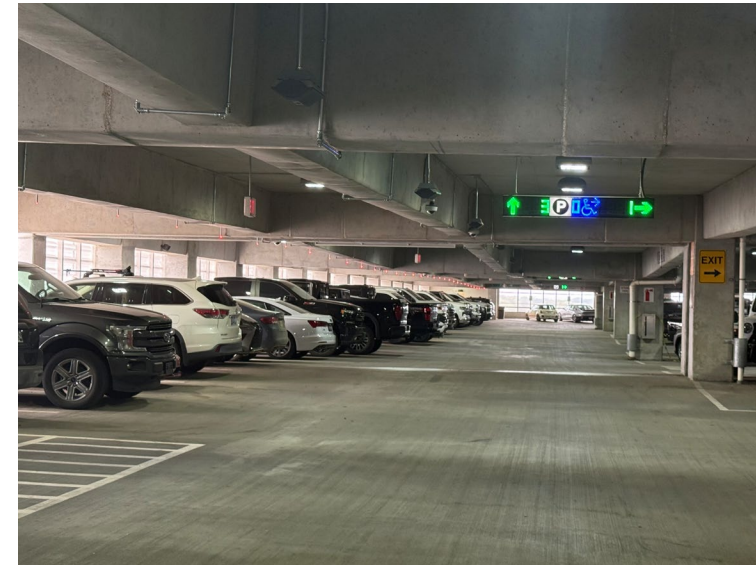
TMSP – Administration/CBIS Building

- New MSCAA Administration Building
 - Relocating MSCAA Administration offices impacted by TMSP project.
 - Bottom level houses the new CBIS
 - Steel Erection Underway. Topping out ceremony held on 8/19.
 - Completion Late 2027
- ❖ **IMPACTS:**
- Continued construction traffic on around the Concourse Vehicle Service Road
 - Large crane requiring NOTAMs



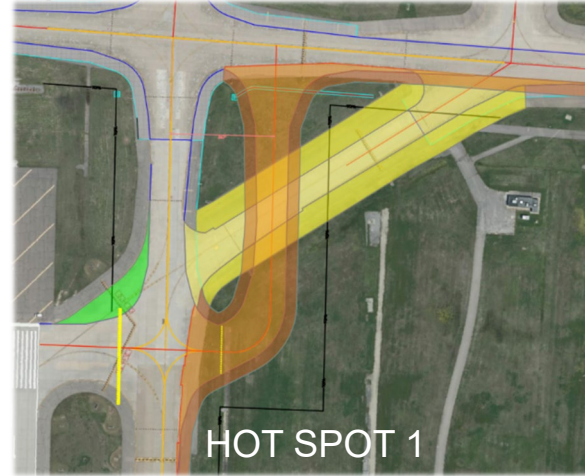
Parking Guidance System

- Provides signage and indicator lights in both garages
- Economy Garage (98% Complete / Commissioning)
 - Level 6 Operational
- 3-Story Garage (75% Complete)
- November 2026 Completion

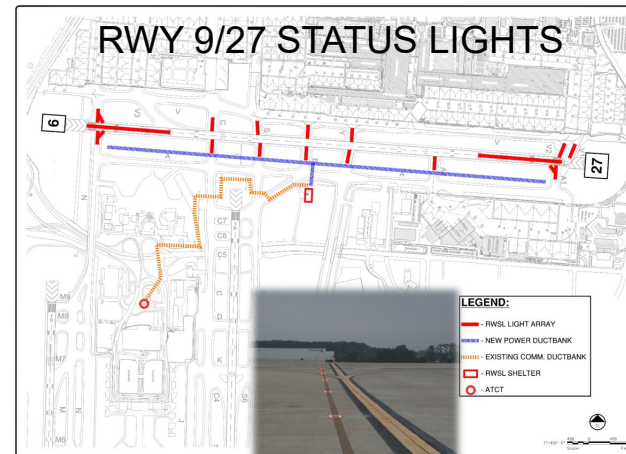


Ongoing MEM Airside Projects

- **Taxiway Bravo/Hot Spot 1**
 - Contract Awarded
 - NTP March 2027
- **Runway 9/27 Status Lights**
 - Construction Underway – Fiber Installation
 - Project Completion: Spring 2027
- **Airfield Popouts (Taxiway Yankee)**
 - Finalizing Design & Phasing
 - Construction Start: 2027/2028
- **Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) Storage Building**
 - Phase 1 is a Site Preparation Package
 - Construction underway
 - Phase 2 is for the Storage Building (1st Phase)
 - Contract Awarded
 - Late 2026 to Early 2027 Construction
- **18R Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI)**
 - Bids received and under review.
 - Early 2027 construction



18R PAPI



SRE BUILDING



Ongoing MEM Landside Projects

- **Parking Information Signage**
 - Revised design for name change submitted and under review.
 - Early 2027 Construction
- **East Parking Lot – Phase 5**
 - Pre-Construction/Procurement
 - Fall/Winter 2026 Completion
- **CONRAC Facility/Garage**
 - Programming/Preliminary Design Underway
 - Final Design & Construction Timing TBD

EAST PARKING LOT



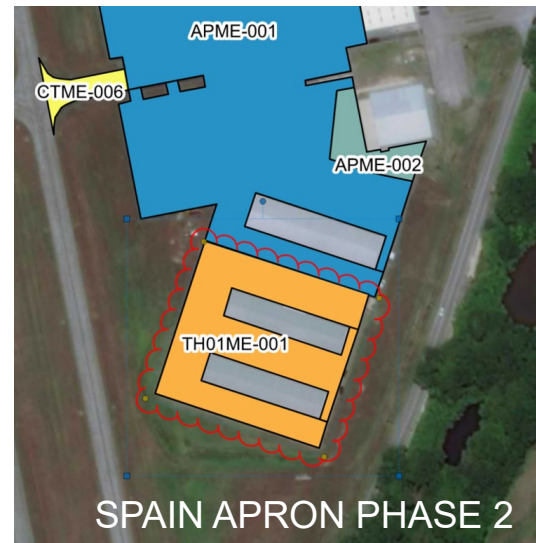
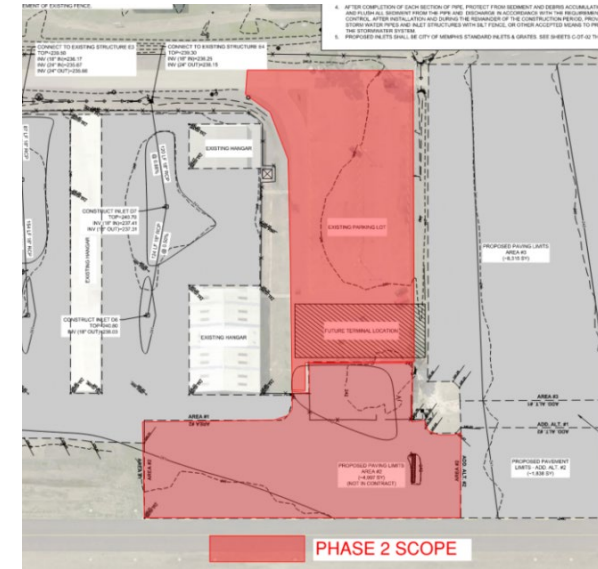
Airport Parking Information 	
 Economy	Open
 Short Term/Hourly	Open
 Premium	Open
 Blue Lot/Oversize	Full
 Yellow Lot	Closed

PARKING INFORMATION
SIGNAGE

Ongoing GA Projects

- **Charles Baker Airport Terminal**
 - 98% Complete.
 - Occupancy Late-October 2026
 - Project completion expected Fall 2026
- **Charles Baker Airport Pavement Rehabilitation – Phase 2**
 - Contract Approved at May 2026 Board
 - Construction Start: November 2026
 - Project Completion: December 2026
- **DeWitt Spain Airport Pavement Rehabilitation – Phase 2**
 - Southernmost T-Hangar Pavement
 - Under Design
 - Tentative Summer 2027 Construction

BAKER APRON PHASE 2



Anticipated Development November Resolution

Terminal Modernization & Seismic Program (TMSP)

Early Release Package #2

- All work associated with the Enabling Phase (anticipated between Q1 and Q2 of 2027)
- Contracting with Steel, Concrete, and Demolition Trades to place orders for long lead items
- Ordering long lead items for the Mechanical, Electrical, and Fire systems for the Terminal
- Contract/plan for installation of Tower Cranes for Phase 1 of Terminal



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