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Re: Request for FY 2023 Legal Research Topics
Airport Cooperative Research Program

The Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP) is seeking study topics for the **FY 2023 ACRP Legal Studies Program**.

The Vision 100-Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act established the ACRP. The ACRP is sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and managed by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, acting through the Transportation Research Board (TRB), in coordination with Airport Council International-North America, American Association of Airport Executives, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Airports Consultants Council, and Airlines for America.

The **ACRP Legal Research Program** is a project within the ACRP that addresses issues associated with airport-related law and produces a series of ACRP Legal Research Digests intended to provide attorneys practicing airport law, and other appropriate airport professionals, with authoritative, well-researched, specific information that is limited in scope. The studies focus on legal issues and problems having national significance to the airport industry. The resulting digests provide airport-related legal research on a wide variety of legal topics. The ACRP Legal Research Program is modeled after the legal studies programs currently operated as part of the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) and the Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP). Click on the links below to view TCRP, NCHRP, and ACRP legal study topics and to view electronic copies of their associated digests.

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Ideas submitted for potential study topics form the basis for selection of the annual Legal Research Program. Topics are selected by an oversight panel that meets once a year. The ACRP Legal Research Program oversight panel members will screen and select the topics. At the annual meeting they discuss the highest rated topics and make their final selection. It is anticipated that at least one new topic will be selected for the FY 2023 ACRP Legal Research Program. Enclosed is a listing of all legal topics authorized to date.

Ideas for study topics may be submitted by anyone at any time. However, the closing date for consideration of ideas for study topics in FY 2023 is **August 29, 2022**. Legal topics may be submitted at <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6854343/ACRP-Problem-Statement-Submission-Form>. Make sure to select 'Legal Topics' when submitting an idea. You will also be asked to provide title, background, objective, research approach, cost estimate, related research, and relevance to Airport legal issues.

Thank you very much for your consideration. Your willingness to participate in the identification of relevant airport-related legal topics is a key element of a successful, industry-driven ACRP. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at jchristensen@nas.edu.