

## News Release From ... Congressman Rodney Alexander

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## ALEXANDER ANNOUNCES OVER \$3 MILLION IN FEDERAL FUNDING FOR ALEXANDRIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

**WASHINGTON, D.C.-**-U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, today announced that a federal grant totaling \$3, 620,780 has been secured for the Alexandria International Airport.

According to the Department of Transportation, the funding is made available to the Alexandria International Airport to construct a terminal building. This funding is approved by Section 159 (b) of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR-21).

"Since elected to congress, I've worked tirelessly toward bringing home as much federal funding for transportation projects as possible," said Alexander, a member of the House Appropriations Committee.

"This project will greatly improve travel throughout central Louisiana and ultimately link Alexandria International Airport to the rest of the world. I realize that Jon Grafton and Jimmy Williams (airport administration) have worked hard to improve this airport. This is an investment on behalf of the federal government that will benefit central Louisiana's economy."