

Overall DBE Three-Year Goal Methodology

Name of Recipient: Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus and Bolton Field)

Goal Period: FY 2026-28 (10/1/2025 through 9/30/2028)

DOT-assisted contract amounts:

Year 1	\$2,683,336
Year 2	\$331,500
Year 3	\$5,360,927
Totals	\$8,375,763

Overall Three-Year Goal: 19.7%, to be accomplished through 16.7% Race Conscious and 3.0% Race Neutral

Total dollar amount to be expended on DBEs: \$1,963,200

Describe the Number and Type of Contracts that the airport anticipates awarding:

Contracts in Fiscal Year #1

1. CMH NEW Terminal RON Apron Taxilane Rehabilitation - \$2,683,336

Contracts in Fiscal Year #2

1. TZR Apron A Rehabilitation - \$331,500

Contracts in Fiscal Year #3

1. CMH Taxiway D Rehabilitation - \$5,360,927

Market Area

State of Ohio.

Step 1. Actual relative availability of DBEs

The base figure for the relative availability was calculated as follows:

Method: Use DBE Directories (<https://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ODI/SDBE/Pages/DBE-Directory.aspx>) and Census Bureau Data (<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>).

Weighted Availability of DBE firms:

Fiscal Year #1

For 10/1/2025 - 9/30/2026, award of the following is anticipated:

Project Name	Trade Description	NAICS Description	NAICS	Trade (\$)	Directory	Census	DBE (%)	DBE (\$) (= Trade \$ x DBE %)
CMH NEW Terminal RON Apron Taxilane Rehabilitation	Seeding & Mulching	Landscaping Services	561730	\$18,981	47	4,228	1.1%	\$209
CMH NEW Terminal RON Apron Taxilane Rehabilitation	Asphalt Demolition & Paving	Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$2,190,376	85	301	28.2%	\$617,686
CMH NEW Terminal RON Apron Taxilane Rehabilitation	Pavement Marking	High, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$28,468	85	301	28.2%	\$8,028
CMH NEW Terminal RON Apron Taxilane Rehabilitation	General Contractors	Site Preparation Contractors	238910	\$445,511	90	1,449	6.2%	\$27,622
CMH NEW Terminal RON Apron Taxilane Rehabilitation				\$2,683,336			24.4%	\$653,544
Year 1 Total				\$2,683,336			24.4%	\$653,544

Fiscal Year #2

For 10/1/2026 - 9/30/2027, award of the following is anticipated:

Project Name	Trade Description	NAICS Description	NAICS	Trade (\$)	Directory	Census	DBE (%)	DBE (\$) (= Trade \$ x DBE %)
TZR Apron A Rehabilitation	Seeding & Mulching	Landscaping Services	561730	\$9,945	47	4,228	1.1%	\$109
TZR Apron A Rehabilitation	Asphalt Demolition & Paving	Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$256,571	85	301	28.2%	\$72,353
TZR Apron A Rehabilitation	Pavement Marking	Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$9,945	85	301	28.2%	\$2,804
TZR Apron A Rehabilitation	General Contractors	Site Preparation Contractors	238910	\$55,039	90	1,449	6.2%	\$3,412
TZR Apron A Rehabilitation				\$331,500			23.7%	\$78,679
Year 2 Total				\$331,500			23.7%	\$78,679

Fiscal Year #3

For 10/1/2027 - 9/30/2028, award of the following is anticipated:

Project Name	Trade Description	NAICS Description	NAICS	Trade (\$)	Directory	Census	DBE (%)	DBE (\$) (= Trade \$ x DBE %)
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CMH Taxiway D Rehabilitation	Seeding & Mulching	Landscaping Services	561730	\$53,609	47	4,228	1.1%	\$590
CMH Taxiway D Rehabilitation	Asphalt Demolition & Paving	Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$4,042,139	85	301	28.2%	\$1,139,883
CMH Taxiway D Rehabilitation	Pavement Marking	High, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$107,219	85	301	28.2%	\$30,236
CMH Taxiway D Rehabilitation	Electrical, Lighting, & Signage	Electrical Contractors and Other Wiring Installation Contractors	238210	\$268,046	38	1,978	1.9%	\$5,093
CMH Taxiway D Rehabilitation	General Contractors	Site Preparation Contractors	238910	\$889,914	90	1,449	6.2%	\$55,175
CMH Taxiway D Rehabilitation				\$5,360,927			23.0%	\$1,230,976
Year 3 Total				\$5,360,927			23.0%	\$1,230,976

The base goal projection after weighting is as follows:

- Total Weighted DBE Availability: **\$1,963,200**
- Total for All Trades: **\$8,375,763**

Dividing the weighted DBE totals by the total estimate for all trades gives a base DBE availability figure for the projects anticipated during the goal-setting period. This figure is expressed as a percentage and serves as the basis for the three-year overall goal.

Base of DBE Goal: **23.4%**

Past History Participation

One piece of data used to determine the adjustment to the base figure was the median of historical DBE accomplishments, as follows:

FY	Total Grant \$ Amount	DBE Goals			Accomplishments			Type of Work
		Race Conscious (%)	Race Neutral (%)	Total	Race Conscious (%)	Race Neutral (%)	Total	
FY 24	\$38,148,887	11.9%	1.0%	12.9%	15.6%	0.3%	15.9%	Construction
FY 23	\$2,270,550	12.0%	1.0%	13.0%	11.5%	4.5%	16.0%	Construction
FY 22	\$3,232,707	14.0%	1.0%	15.0%	10.0%	0.8%	10.8%	Construction
FY 21	\$44,083,490	14.0%	1.0%	15.0%	15.8%	0.4%	16.2%	Construction
FY 20	\$1,574,963	14.0%	1.0%	15.0%	11.4%	87.6%	99.0%	Construction

Arranging this historical data from low to high (10.8%, 15.9%, 16%, 16.2%, 99%), the median is **16.0%**.

Step 1 Base averaged with historical median: $(23.4\% + 16.0\%) / 2 = 19.7\%$

To arrive at an overall goal, the Step 1 base figure was added to the Step 2 adjustment figure and the total was averaged, arriving at an overall goal of **19.7%**. Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus and Bolton Field) believes this adjusted goal accurately reflects DBE participation that can be achieved for the type(s) of work being awarded during this three-year goal period (FY 2026-28).

Columbus Regional Airport Authority will meet the maximum feasible portion of the overall goal by using race-conscious means of facilitating DBE participation, namely project specific participation goals. Additional steps and actions that Columbus Regional Airport Authority may take include but not limited to the list below:

1. Arranging solicitations, times for the presentation of bids, quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules in ways that facilitates DBE, and other small businesses, participation;
2. Providing assistance in overcoming limitations such as inability to obtain bonding or financing;
3. Providing technical assistance and other services;
4. Carrying out information and communications programs on contracting procedures and specific contract opportunities;
5. Implementing a supportive services program to develop and improve immediate and long-term business management, record keeping, and financial and accounting capability for DBEs and other small businesses;
6. Providing services to help DBEs and other small businesses improve long-term development, increase opportunities to participate in a variety of kinds of work, handle increasingly significant projects, and achieve eventual self-sufficiency;
7. Establishing a program to assist new, start-up firms, particularly in fields in which DBE participation has historically been low;
8. Ensuring distribution of DBE directory, through print and electronic means, to the widest feasible universe of potential prime contractors;
9. Assist DBEs and other small businesses, to develop their capability to utilize emerging technology and conduct business through electronic media.

Columbus Regional Airport Authority estimates that in meeting the established overall goal of 19.7%, it will obtain 3.0% from RN participation and 16.7% through RC measures.

This breakout is based on:

In Fiscal Years 21 through 24, Columbus Regional Airport Authority accomplishments for race-neutral participation had a median of 1.5% indicating that we have only achieved the race-neutral goal once during that period. As a result, this triennial goal will be mainly met through race-conscious means, therefore 3% of the 19.7% goal is anticipated to be met via race-neutral means and the remaining 16.7% through race-conscious participation.

Columbus Regional Airport Authority (Rickenbacker) will adjust the estimated breakout of race neutral and race conscious DBE participation as needed to reflect actual DBE participation (see §26.51(f)) and track and report race neutral and race conscious participation separately. For reporting purposes, RN DBE participation includes, but is not necessarily limited to the following: DBE participation through a prime contract obtained through customary competitive procurement procedures; DBE participation through a subcontract on a prime contract that does not carry a DBE goal, DBE participation on a prime contract

exceeding a contract goal, and DBE participation through a subcontract from a prime contractor that did not consider a firm's DBE status in making the award.

Consultation

In establishing the overall goal, Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus and Bolton Field) provided for consultation and publication. This process included consultation with minority, women's, and general contractor groups, community organizations, and other officials or organizations which could be expected to have information concerning the availability of disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged businesses, the effects of discrimination on opportunities for DBEs, and the Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus and Bolton Field)'s efforts to establish a level playing field for the participation of DBEs. The consultation included a scheduled, direct, interactive exchange with as many interested stakeholders as possible focused on obtaining information relevant to the goal setting process, and was conducted before the goal methodology was submitted to the operating administration for review. Details of the consultation are as follows.

The consultation engaged in was a live video conference, which was held via virtual meeting at 10:00am on August 20, 2025. No comments were received.

A notice of the proposed goal was published on the Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus and Bolton Field) official website before the methodology was submitted to Federal Aviation Administration.

If the proposed goal changes following review by Federal Aviation Administration, the revised goal will be posted on Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus and Bolton Field) official website.

Notwithstanding paragraph (f)(4) of §26.45, Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus and Bolton Field) proposed goals will not be implemented until this requirement has been met.

Sample Public Notice Language

PUBLIC NOTICE

Columbus Regional Airport Authority (John Glenn Columbus, Bolton Field) hereby announces its proposed Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal of 19.7% for FAA-funded contracts/agreements. The proposed goal pertains to federal fiscal years 2026 through 2028 (10/1/2025 - 9/30/2028). A virtual meeting will be held on August 20, 2025 from 10:00am-11:00am EDT for the purpose of consulting with stakeholders to obtain information relevant to the goal-setting process.

The link to join the meeting is **https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YTIhYmQwOTMtOWNIMC00ZTMwLThmMTQtOTk4OGU0YWRmYUdj%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%22b98364ec-c180-4324-9bbe-4d7d8d69af94%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%22d7bbffc6-724e-4bd1-a141-d74e92832625%22%7d**

No comments were received.