

Joplin EAS Bid Summary

2-20-24



JOPLIN AIR SERVICE HISTORY

- **June 2021 SkyWest began service to Chicago, Denver and Houston. Houston service ended in late 2021.**
- **Late 2021 SkyWest reduced Joplin service to the minimum due to pilot shortages.**
- **March 2022 SkyWest filed with the DOT to terminate existing EAS contracts at 31 cities, including Joplin.**
- **March 2022 DOT issued “Hold In” order for SkyWest to continue EAS operations at JLN.**
- **October 2023 SkyWest expressed an interest in staying in JLN long term.**
- **November 2023 Joplin requested DOT issue RFP for new bids.**



SkyWest (United Express)

- 12 Flights per week
  6 to Denver
  6 to Chicago

- All Flights nonstop after Decatur removed – projected early summer

- 50-passenger CRJ-200

- Annual traffic of 45,240

- Forecast 73% load factor



Boutique Air

-9 Seat Piaggio P180

- All flights to Kansas City

- 30 to 42 round trips per week

- Annual traffic 26,676 to 34,988

Next Steps

- City to review bid proposals and decide on carrier

- City Council approves Resolution

  (2/8/24 - Airport Board voted to recommend SkyWest)

- Draft a letter to DOT with recommendation

- Send letter to DOT representative by March 5, 2024


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