

Nikolski Air Station

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Nikolski Air Station (IATA: **IKO**, ICAO: **PAKO**, FAA LID: **IKO**) is an unattended airport located in Nikolski on Umnak Island in the Aleutians West Census Area of the U.S. state of Alaska. This former military airport is now owned by the Aleut Corporation (<http://www.aleutcorp.com/>).^[1] Scheduled commercial airline passenger service is subsidized by the Essential Air Service program. Current service to Nikolski is provided by PenAir using a Grumman Goose G-21A.

As per Federal Aviation Administration records, the airport had 165 passenger boardings (enplanements) in calendar year 2008,^[2] 219 enplanements in 2009, and 160 in 2010.^[3]

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History

The airport was built in 1958 to support **Nikolski Air Force Station**, a Cold War United States Air Force Distant Early Warning Line radar station on Umnak Island. The station was operated by Detachment 1, 714th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron based at Cold Bay Air Force Station, near Cold Bay, Alaska. The radar station was inactivated in September 1969, ending military use of the airport. The Air Force remediated the site around 2000, removing all abandoned military structures and returning the site to a natural condition.

Facilities

Nikolski Air Station resides at elevation of 77 feet (23 m) above mean sea level. It has one runway designated 8/26 with a gravel surface measuring 3,512 by 135 feet (1,070 x 41 m).^[1]

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Summary

Airport type

Private

Owner

Aleut Corporation (<http://www.aleutcorp.com/>)

Serves

Nikolski, Alaska

Location

Umnak Island

Elevation AMSL

77 ft / 23 m

Coordinates

52°56′30″N 168°50′56″W

Map



Location of airport in Alaska

Runways

Direction	Length		Surface
	ft	m	
8/26	3,512	1,070	Gravel

Source: Federal Aviation Administration^[1]

Airline and destination

The following airline offers scheduled passenger service:

Airlines	Destinations
Grant Aviation	Unalaska/Dutch Harbor

References

- FAA Airport Master Record for IKO (<http://www.gcr1.com/5010web/airport.cfm?Site=IKO>) (Form 5010 (http://www.gcr1.com/5010web/Rpt_5010.asp?au=PR&o=PR&faasite=50530.*A&fn=IKO) PDF). Federal Aviation Administration. Effective May 31, 2012.
- "Enplanements for CY 2008" (http://www.faa.gov/airports/planning_capacity/passenger_allcargo_stats/passenger/media/cy08_all_enplanements.pdf) (PDF, 1.0 MB). *CY 2008 Passenger Boarding and All-Cargo Data* (http://www.faa.gov/airports/planning_capacity/passenger_allcargo_stats/passenger/index.cfm?year=2008). Federal Aviation Administration. December 18, 2009.
- "Enplanements for CY 2010" (http://www.faa.gov/airports/planning_capacity/passenger_allcargo_stats/passenger/media/cy10_all_enplanements.pdf) (PDF, 189 KB). *CY 2010 Passenger Boarding and All-Cargo Data* (http://www.faa.gov/airports/planning_capacity/passenger_allcargo_stats/passenger/index.cfm?year=2010). Federal Aviation Administration. October 4, 2011.

Other sources

- Essential Air Service documents (Docket DOT-OST-1995-363 (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=DOT-OST-1995-363>)) from the U.S. Department of Transportation:
 - Order 2004-6-20 (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=DOT-OST-1995-363-0029>): re-selecting Peninsula Airways to provide essential air service at Atka and Nikolski, Alaska, at annual subsidy rates of \$336,303 and \$173,603 per year, respectively, for the period ending June 30, 2006.
 - Order 2006-5-21 (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=DOT-OST-1995-363-0035>): re-selecting Alaska Airlines to provide essential air service at Adak, Alaska, at an annual subsidy rate of \$1,393,384, and Peninsula Airways for \$449,605 at Atka and \$314,694 at Nikolski. The three rates extend through June 30, 2008.
 - Order 2008-3-36 (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=DOT-OST-1995-363-0045>): re-selecting Alaska Airlines to provide essential air service at Adak, Alaska, at an annual subsidy rate of \$1,483,122, and Peninsula Airways for \$513,803 at Atka and \$469,786 at Nikolski. The three rates extend through June 30, 2010.
 - Order 2010-7-9 (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=DOT-OST-1995-363-0066>): re-selecting Alaska Airlines to provide essential air service (EAS) at Adak, Alaska, at an annual subsidy rate of \$1,675,703, and Peninsula Airways, Inc., for \$290,780 at Atka and \$639,008 at Nikolski. The three rates extend through June 30, 2012.
 - Order 2012-5-20 (May 23, 2012) (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=DOT-OST-1995-363-0081>): selecting Grant Aviation, Inc., to provide essential air service (EAS) at Atka, Alaska, for \$842,574 the first year and \$822,445 the second year, and at Nikolski, Alaska, for \$331,431 the first year and \$324,998 the second year.

External links

- Resources for this airport:
 - FAA airport information for IKO (<https://nfdc.faa.gov/nfdcApps/airportLookup/airportDisplay.jsp?airportId=IKO>)
 - AirNav airport information for PAKO (<http://www.airnav.com/airport/PAKO>)
 - ASN accident history for IKO (<http://aviation-safety.net/database/airport/airport.php?id=IKO>)
 - FlightAware airport information (<http://flightaware.com/resources/airport/IKO>) and live flight tracker (<http://flightaware.com/live/airport/IKO>)
 - SkyVector aeronautical chart for PAKO (<http://skyvector.com/perl/code?id=PAKO&scale=2>)

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