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PARAS Project Summary

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BACKGROUND

As the number of Identity Management System (IDMS) vendors has increased over time, some airports with existing IDMS are beginning the process of transitioning from one IDMS to another. This may be due factors such as evolving airport needs, changes to TSA regulations, enhanced technology and capabilities provided by new vendors, or systems that are reaching end of life. While considerations for implementing an IDMS were discussed in PARAS 0038 *Airport Guidance for Identity Management Systems*, that report focused on airports who were procuring and implementing an IDMS for the first time. Transitioning from an existing IDMS to a new system brings about a number of additional, unique considerations that were not covered in this previous project.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this research is to enable informed planning and decision-making throughout an IDMS transition. At a minimum, the final deliverable should address:

- Needs assessment
- System requirements
- RFP considerations
- Transition process
- Contract considerations
- Training and documentation
- Relevant updates/additions to PARAS 0038

The resulting guidance should be applicable to airports of all sizes.