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WASHINGTON -- Outgoing Federal Aviation Administrator Langhorne Bond said Monday unless there is a huge increase in spending for new aviation projects in the next few years, the nation may have to ration the use of its airways.

The FAA chief, discussing with a group of reporters the major matters he felt the Reagan administration will have to confront, said money 'tops the list.'

Bond noted the agency is beginning to implement a new multi-billion-dollar computerized air traffic control system -- a process that will take until the end of the decade -- and also has several other costly but needed projects in the works, including an aircraft collision avoidance system.

'It's going to require a quantum jump of two, three, four times what we're spending now,' said Bond, whose agency will ask for \$400 million for fiscal 1982 in the administration's final budget message to Congress.

'Unless that money is forthcoming, I see no alternative to rationing use of the system,' Bond said. 'Congress is going to have to decide what its civil air policy will be.'

Bond also said he feels the Reagan administration's budget-cutting plan does not take into account the importance of capital investment in a nation highly competitive economically with other developed nations.

The plan, as outlined by Reagan's designated budget adviser, David Stockman, calls for 10 percent to 20 percent cuts in spending for new equipment in the transportation sector.

'As I read Dave's paper, it's a total across-the-board cut,' Bond said. 'I think you have to realize that in a competitive economy, capital investment is more important than social programs.'

In speaking of his own future, Bond said he will not talk with anyone in the aviation industry until he walks out of his office for the last time Jan. 20.

'I have not discussed what I want to do next with anybody,' he said. 'I just don't want to talk to somebody or initiate a discussion that would affect me in any way in my role as an administrator.'