



PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Airfield Safety Enhancement Project for Taxiway "A" Relocation & Associated Building Relocations at Monterey Regional Airport

Pursuant to Title 49, United States Code, Section 47106(c)(1)(A), notice is hereby given that the Monterey Peninsula Airport District (District) proposes to seek Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approval of the Airport Layout Plan for the Monterey Regional Airport and the use of federal funds for the proposed Airfield Safety Enhancement Project for Taxiway "A" Relocation & Associated Building Relocations. The District is proposing the construction of a multi-phased safety enhancement project at the Airport including:

1. Increase the centerline to centerline separation distance between Runway (RW) 10R-28L and the adjacent parallel Taxiway (TW) "A" to a uniform separation distance of 327.5 feet for the entire length of TW "A" by relocating an approximately 1,850-linear-foot (lf) portion of TW "A" south by 52.5 feet. Currently, that 1,850 lf portion of Taxiway "A" is only 275 feet from the centerline of Runway 10R-28L.
2. Provide apron islands for TWs "G" and "J" at their connections with TW "A" to prevent direct access from the adjacent apron to RW 10L-28R.
3. Relocate existing hold lines on TW "A" at TWs "G" and "J" 50 feet farther from the centerline of RW 10R-28L so that hold lines that are currently 200 feet from the centerline of RW 10R-28L will then be 250 feet from the centerline of RW 10R-28L.
4. Demolish the existing approximately 70,000-square-foot (sf) passenger terminal building, constructed in 1950, and which includes five boarding gates, the 5.6-acre terminal aircraft parking apron located south of TW "A" between TW "G" and TW "J," and an associated 576 automobile parking spaces (located east of Olmsted Road and north of Fred Kane Drive). Replace these facilities with an approximately 100,000-sf terminal building, located south of TW "A" between TW "J" and TW "K," and an approximate 13.1-acre terminal aircraft parking apron. Construct new vehicle parking lots south and east of the new passenger terminal and apron (787 public and employee automobile parking spaces and 110 spaces for a rental car ready/return lot). This work is necessary to accommodate the relocation of Taxiway "A" and to provide additional automobile parking.
5. Close TW "K" so that there will be no direct access via TW "K" from the relocated terminal aircraft parking apron to RW 10R-28L.
6. Remove the existing three-acre southeast general aviation (GA) apron and hangar area, including approximately 126,000 sf of hangar space, and relocate approximately 44 GA tenants to the north side of the Airport. Replace the existing southeast GA apron and hangar area with the new passenger terminal complex and aircraft parking apron.
7. Construct approximately 205,000 sf of additional apron/taxilane pavement in the GA hangar area located north of Runway 10L-28R to allow the relocation of 44 GA tenants from the southeast side of the Airport. The hangar space removed on the southeast GA apron would be replaced with approximately 90,500 sf of T-hangar, box hangar, and executive hangar space, as well as buildable hangar pads that could accommodate an additional 35,500 sf of hangar space, and associated infrastructure for a total replacement of the 126,000 sf of GA facilities. Approximately 27 vehicular parking spaces would be provided in this area with a net increase in vehicular parking of seven spaces. The new apron would support GA activities by providing pavement, utilities, taxilanes, hangars and parking, fueling facilities, and a wash rack.
8. Concurrent with the site preparation for the north side GA area, build improvements on approximately 1,600 lf of airport vehicle service road from the existing east vehicle service road to the terminus of Airport Road at the north

- GA apron (northeast service road improvement) to provide a construction haul route for the Proposed Action and a service road to the north GA area from both sides of the Airport.
9. Demolish the existing aircraft rescue and firefighting (ARFF) building, which is located where the new passenger terminal apron will be constructed. Construct a new ARFF building on north GA apron and an on-airport ARFF service road to Runway 10R-28L.
 10. Provide areas on the north side of the Airport for stockpiling or depositing excess cut material created by the Proposed Action.

A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action and has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of Section 102(2)(c) of the *National Environmental Policy Act* (NEPA) and Section 509(b)(5) of the *Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982*, as amended. The FAA is the Lead Agency to ensure compliance with NEPA for airport development actions. The Draft EA was prepared in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures* and FAA Order 5050.4B, *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions*. Pursuant to the federal *Clean Water Act*, *Clean Air Act*, *Endangered Species Act*, *National Historic Preservation Act*, and the *Department of Transportation Act*, the Draft EA includes an analysis of prudent or feasible alternatives, potential impacts, and mitigation measures, as appropriate.

Beginning **March 6, 2020**, a copy of the Draft EA will be available for review at <https://montereyairport.specialdistrict.org> or at the following locations during normal business hours:

- Monterey Regional Airport, 200 Fred Kane Drive, Suite 200, Monterey, CA 93940
- FAA San Francisco Airports District Office, 1000 Marina Boulevard, Suite 220, Brisbane, CA 94005-1835
- Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific Street, Monterey, CA 93940
- Seaside Public Library, 550 Harcourt Street, Seaside, CA 93955

Any written comments on the Draft EA should be submitted to the following address:

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The cutoff date for comment submission is not later than **5:00 PM – Pacific Daylight Time, April 6, 2020**. Please allow enough time for mailing. All comments must be **received** by the deadline, not simply postmarked by that date.

Before including your name and telephone number, email, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment - including your personal identifying information - may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask FAA in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, FAA cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.