Public Notice of Availability: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq., and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations, 40 C.F.R. parts 1500-1508, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issues this notice that it has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the William P. Hobby Airport Non-Standard Taxiways Improvement Project.

The Proposed Action includes the Runway Closure of 17/35, Realignment of TWYs D, E, G, M, K1. TWY E would be realigned at the deicing apron. The project will also include the demolition of RWY 17/35 and portions of TWYs F, G and M. In addition, the decommissioning of NAVAIDS and cancellation of Instrument Flight Procedures (IFPs) will be included in the proposed project scope. The Preferred Alternative, 6B, will provide connectivity to the airport facilities through development of connecting taxiways and related adjustments to improve safety and reduce incursions.

Potential environmental impacts discussed in the EA were analyzed in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures.

Availability:


Hard copies of the document will be available for review at the following locations:

William P. Hobby Airport: Airport Manager’s Office
7800 Airport Boulevard
Houston, Texas 77061

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Houston, Texas 77034
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Comments: The public comment period will commence on August 5, 2020 and will close on September 4, 2020. The FAA encourages interested parties to review the Draft EA and provide written comments during the public comment period. Written comments must be postmarked by September 4, 2020. The public is invited to submit comments by mail or via email.

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