



BIRMINGHAM-SHUTTLESWORTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (BHM)

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Master Plan Update

OPEN HOUSE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Wednesday , April 19, 2017
11am – 1pm & 4pm – 6pm
Holiday Inn
Birmingham Airport
5000 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. N.
Birmingham, AL 35212

ONGOING PUBLIC OUTREACH

The public outreach program continues to provide several resources for communication with the public: project newsletters, public open houses, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings, Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings and a project website. Public open houses include an informal presentation by the Birmingham Airport Authority (BAA) and the Consultant Team with time allotted for discussion, questions and comments.

THE PAST HELPS PLAN THE FUTURE

The previous Master Plan Update newsletter looked at the visions people in the community and various stakeholders have for the Airport; examined the projected increases in passenger and cargo demand over the next 20 years; and addressed the impacts that increased passengers and cargo would have on both the terminal and airfield facilities. The final step in the Airport Master Plan Update process is to look at what physical changes would need to take place at BHM through 2035 in order to accommodate the growth in aircraft operations while complying with new Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) standards and exploring non-aviation development opportunities. After the technical review, public opinion, and stakeholder input, a final preferred alternative has emerged. After approval by the BAA, this alternative becomes the basis of budgeting for the proposed capital improvements.



TAC & CAC MEETING #3

At the third and final TAC & CAC meetings held on October 26, 2016 the Planning Team presented an overview of the Phasing Plan for the Master Plan Update Project. The Phasing Plan is separated into three stages for development:

- **Short-term (0-5 years):** The short-term development phase will be comprised of projects that are in immediate need for the Airport such as improving safety areas to meet FAA design standards.
- **Intermediate-term (5-10 years):** The intermediate-term development phase is typically when large construction projects are completed. These projects address remaining safety and design standards that cannot be completed within the short-term and also involve other major construction projects.
- **Long-term (10-20 years):** During the long-term period, construction of large scale projects would transpire and address any situation that may have arisen following the first two phases. *Chapter 6 Proposed Development, Implementation, and Finance* provide project details for each phase of work.

CAC MEETING 26-OCT-2016



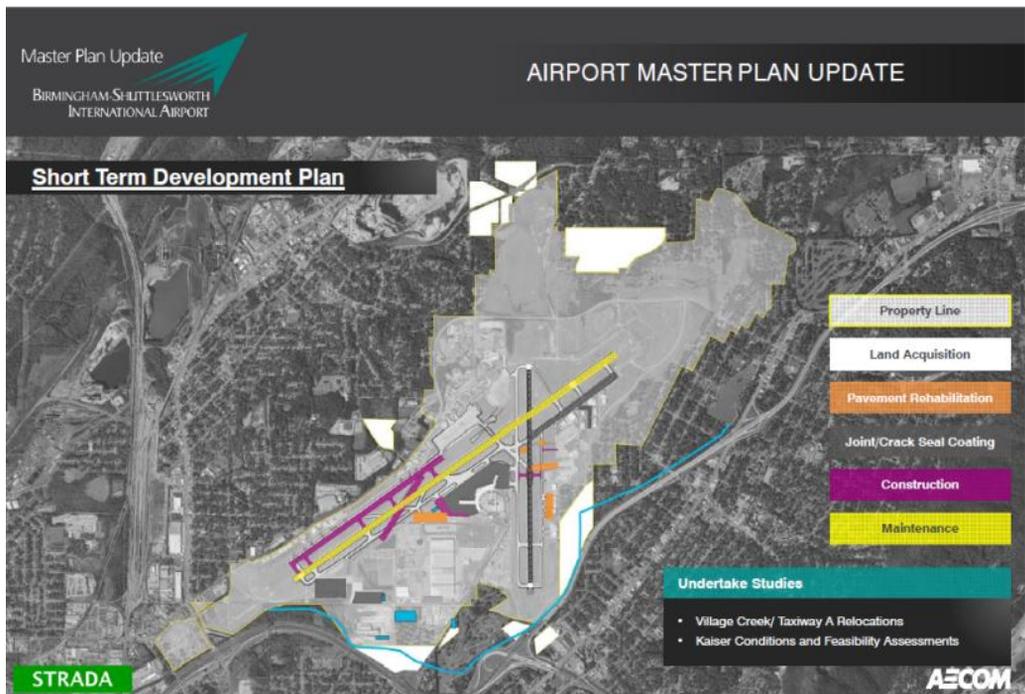
TAC MEETING 26-OCT-2016



PROJECT FOCUS

The main focal points of the development plan will be to maintain current air service and attract new air passenger service, seek opportunities to provide a base for general aviation tenants, maximize real property and land use allocations, and incorporate flexibility for expanding and/or redeveloping in response to changing future conditions. The alternatives are assessed chronologically in *Chapter 4 Alternatives Analysis* from the airside (i.e., runways, taxiways, and airspace) to the landside (i.e., passenger terminal, parking, roads, etc.). In this way, the identification of a preferred alternative of a specific facility is carried into the next. Although the Master Plan will identify a preferred development plan, the documentation of alternatives included in this plan add flexibility to modify the plan in the future should conditions warrant.

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PREFERRED DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Master Plan Update team has completed its analysis of improvements and expansion that will be needed to accommodate the number of passenger aircraft, flights and cargo expected to use BAA over the next 20 years. A summary of these findings, the recommended plan for future airport facilities, and an approximate timeline for these improvements will be on display at the final Open House Meeting for the Master Plan Update Study, which will be held on April 19, 2017. You are invited to attend the Open House Meeting and see the displays that are of most interest to you.

There are a number of projects that comprise the Plan, including:

- Runway 18-36 reconfiguration
- Taxiway A realignment/Village Creek relocation
- New Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) and maintenance facilities
- Various taxiway improvements
- East Lake Blvd realignment
- Aviation and non-aviation development
- Air cargo Improvements

The Airport would like to thank the individuals, organizations, and businesses that participated in the Master Plan Update process. Input provided by the diverse range of Master Plan Update participants was vital to the development and assessment of alternatives and, ultimately, to the selection of the phased approach of the Plan for Future Development.