

comprehensive Plan (LTCP), including the construction and operation of new Runway 17/35, an 8,000-foot-north-south runway to be located on the west side of the airport. It also provides for other FAA approvals and actions necessary to implement the MSP 2010 LTCP, as well as environmental mitigation measures. The development plan also includes: taxiway improvements; new holding/deicing pad on the new runway; new holding/deicing pads for existing Runways 12R, 30R and 30L; enhanced storm water detention basins; expansion and improvements of passenger concourses; roadway and interchange improvements; reconstruction/construction of maintenance, aircraft hanger and air cargo facilities; and new apron pavement.

The ROD indicates the project is consistent with existing environmental policies and objectives as set forth in the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and will significantly affect the quality of the environment.

In reaching this decision, the FAA has given careful consideration to: (a) the role of MSP in the national air transportation system, and the airport capacity/delay reduction needs, (b) aviation safety, (c) preferences of the airport owner, (d) anticipated environmental impact, and (e) the decisions of the Minnesota State Legislature. Discussion of these factors are documented in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, the Section 4(f) Evaluation, and the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the project. The notice of availability of the FEIS appeared in the Federal Register on May 15, 1998 (63 FR 27083), and the comment period ran for thirty (30) days until June 15, 1998. The FAA's determinations on the project are outlined in the ROD, which was approved on September 23, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Satellite Operational Implementation Team (SOIT): Forum on the Capabilities of the Global Positioning System (GPS)/Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) and Local Area Augmentation System (LAAS)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA SOIT will be hosting a public forum to discuss the FAA's GPS approval and WAAS/LAAS operational implementation plans. This meeting will be held in conjunction with a regularly scheduled meeting of the FAA SOIT and in response to aviation industry requests to the FAA Administrator. Formal presentations by the FAA will be followed by a question and answer session. Those planning to attend are invited to submit proposed discussion topics. Requests to make presentations to the assembled forum should be made to the point of contact listed.

DATES: November 16-17, 1998, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Washington, D.C. The specific location will be selected based on number of registrants. Meeting details will be sent to all registrants in October. Tentative location is the FAA Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington DC.

POINT OF CONTACT: Registration, submission of suggested discussion topics and requests to make presentations may be made to Mr. Steven Albers, phone (202) 267-7301, fax (202) 267-5086, or email at steven.albers@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Open to the aviation industry with attendance limited to space available. Participants are requested to register their intent to attend this meeting by October 30, 1998. Names, affiliations, telephone and facsimile numbers should be sent to the point of contact listed.

Dated: September 22, 1998.

Hank Cabler,

SOIT Co-Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Communications/Surveillance Operational Implementation Team (C/SOIT): Forum on the Operational Implementation of Satellite Communications, Surface Movement Surveillance Systems, and Data Link Technologies for Aviation Applications in the National Airspace System (NAS)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA C/SOIT will be hosting a public forum to discuss the FAA's data link and surface movement surveillance systems. This meeting will be held in response to aviation industry requests to the FAA Administrator. Formal presentations will be provided followed by a question and answer session. In subsequent days, working group sessions will be held to discuss such topics as Controller-Pilot Data Link Communications, High Frequency Data Link, Human Factors, and Flight Information Services. Those who plan to attend are invited to submit proposed discussion topics. Requests to make presentations to the assembled forum should be made to the point of contact listed.

DATES: November 17-20, 1998, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Baltimore, MD.

POINT OF CONTACT: Registration and submission of suggested discussion topics may be made to Ms. Regina Porzio, phone (202) 554-8804 x 3003, fax (202) 554-7593 or email at regina.porzio@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Open to the aviation industry with attendance limited to space available. Participants are requested to register their intent to attend this meeting by October 30, 1998. Names, affiliations, telephone and facsimile numbers should be set to the point of contact listed.

Dated: October 14, 1998.

Donald W. Streeter,

C/SOIT Co-Chairman.

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