

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC WORKSHOP ANNOUNCEMENT

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DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED AIRPORT TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS AT BALTIMORE / WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL THURGOOD MARSHALL AIRPORT LINTHICUM, MARYLAND

The Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) in conjunction with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), and FAA Orders 1050.1F and 5050.4B has completed a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for a proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) and associated improvements at Baltimore / Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI Marshall Airport) in Linthicum, Maryland in Anne Arundel County. The proposed improvements evaluated in the Draft EA include a proposed ATCT, hotel, FAA offices, Part 77 obstruction removal, and existing ATCT line-of-sight obstruction removal.

The Draft EA is available for review online at <https://marylandaviation.com/environmental/environmental-planning/> and hard copies are available for review at the following locations during regular business hours through April 15th, 2024:

Anne Arundel County Library
Linthicum Branch
400 Shipley Road
Linthicum, MD 21090

Anne Arundel County Library
Glen Burnie Regional Library
1010 Eastway
Glen Burnie, MD 21060

Howard County Library System
Elkridge Branch
6540 Washington Blvd
Elkridge, MD 21075

Howard County Library System
East Columbia Branch
6600 Cradlerock Way
Columbia, MD 21045

Howard County Library System
Central Branch
10375 Little Patuxent Pkwy
Columbia, MD 21044

Publication Date(s)
The Baltimore Sun – 3/14/24 and 3/17/24
Howard County Times – 3/14/24
The Capital Gazette – 3/14/24

Howard County Library System
Administrative Branch
9411 Frederick Rd
Ellicott City, MD 21042

Federal Aviation Administration
Washington Airports District Office
13873 Park Center Road, Suite 490S
Herndon, VA 20171
Available by appointment: call 703-487-3979 for an appointment

Maryland Aviation Administration
Office of Environmental Services
991 Corporate Boulevard
Linthicum, MD 21090
Available by appointment: call 410-859-7787 for an appointment

In addition, MAA will host two public workshops on Wednesday, April 3rd, 2024 from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm and from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Both workshops will be held at the MAC Building located at 7005 Aviation Blvd, Glen Burnie, MD 21061. The purpose of the public workshops, which will be held in an “open house” format, is to share information and invite comments from the public. Graphics will be on display to illustrate the information provided in the Draft EA including the purpose and need, alternatives, and potential impacts as well as provide information on the EA process and schedule. Representatives from MAA, FAA and the Project Team will be available to answer questions throughout the public workshops. Both the afternoon and evening workshops will present identical information.

Written comments on the Draft EA are requested from interested parties and can be submitted during the public workshop or via mail or email by April 15th, 2024. Any comments that are mailed or emailed after this date will be considered to the extent practical. Comments may be submitted via e-mail to kclarke@bwiairport.com or in writing to the address below:

Mr. Kevin Clarke
Director, Office of Planning & Environmental Services
Division of Planning & Engineering
Maryland Aviation Administration
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BWI Airport, MD 21240-0766

Those interested in attending the public workshop(s) with special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Kim Hughes (khughes@hntb.com or 703-253-5856) at least 5 days prior to the workshop. Every reasonable effort to accommodate special needs will be made.