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# Public & Agency Involvement

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# Attachment 1:

#### Agency Scoping Package and Agency Contact List

June 28, 2023



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June 28, 2023

#### Subject: Agency Scoping for the BWI Marshall Airport New Airport Traffic Control Tower Environmental Assessment

The Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) is initiating preparation of the Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate and disclose the potential environmental impacts associated with a new Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) and associated improvements at BWI Marshall Airport. MAA invites your agency to participate in the scoping process for this EA. The attached Scoping Information Package includes background information; describes the Proposed Action; presents the preliminary purpose and need and alternatives; identifies the environmental impact categories most likely impacted; and provides a preliminary schedule.

MAA encourages you to review these materials and provide comments by **Monday, July 31**<sup>st</sup>. Comments provided by this time will assist the MAA in identifying issues early in the development of the EA. You are welcome to submit comments either by mail at the below address or by email to: <u>kclarke@bwiairport.com</u>.

Mr. Kevin Clarke Director, Office of Planning & Environmental Services Division of Planning & Engineering Maryland Aviation Administration PO Box 8766 BWI Airport, MD 21240-0766

#### **Scoping Information Package**

#### Introduction

The Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) is proposing a new Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) and associated improvements for implementation at Baltimore / Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI Marshall Airport). An Environmental Assessment (EA) is being completed to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). This document provides preliminary information regarding the EA to facilitate agency review and comment and includes the following sections:

- Background
- Proposed Action
- Preliminary Purpose and Need
- Preliminary Alternatives
- Environmental Analysis
- Preliminary Schedule

The MAA encourages each agency to review these materials and provide comments by **Monday**, **July 31**<sup>st</sup>. Comments provided by this time will assist the MAA in identifying issues early in the development of the EA. You are welcome to submit comments either by mail at the below address or by email to <u>kclarke@bwiairport.com</u>.

Please submit written comments to:

Mr. Kevin Clarke Director, Office of Planning & Environmental Services Division of Planning & Engineering Maryland Aviation Administration PO Box 8766 BWI Airport, MD 21240-0766

#### Background

BWI Marshall Airport is an international air carrier airport located in Anne Arundel County, Maryland that is owned and operated by the MAA. The Airport is located approximately 10 miles south of Baltimore and 30 miles northeast of Washington, DC. The airfield includes two parallel runways (Runway 15R-33L and Runway 15L-33R) and one crosswind runway (Runway 10-28), a helipad, and multiple taxiways. Aviation support facilities include aircraft hangars and tie down areas, a terminal building, an ATCT, aircraft rescue and firefighting facilities, and fuel facilities.

The MAA is proposing to advance multiple projects identified as part of the BWI Marshall C-D Connector & ATCT Program. To implement these improvements, described as the Proposed Action, FAA action in the form of an environmental finding will be required. NEPA requires environmental review of federal actions including federal funding, approvals and certifications. Therefore, an EA is being prepared in accordance with FAA policies and procedures for considering environmental impacts: FAA Order 5050.4B, *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions* and FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*.

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#### **Proposed Action**

The Proposed Action includes the following, as illustrated on **Figures 1 and 2**:

- Construct a new 236-foot tall ATCT (including ASDE<sup>1</sup> and antenna) to replace the existing ATCT<sup>2</sup>; this would include all necessary new equipment and utilities;
- Construct Operational Spaces for FAA Staffing Offices within the Passenger C-D Connector;
- Construct a New Hotel; and
- Remove Part 77 obstructions.<sup>3</sup>

#### **Connected Actions**

Connected actions are those which are closely related to the proposed action and would not occur unless the proposed action occurs. The following actions are connected to the Proposed Action:

- Construct supplemental ATCT upgrades to existing but unused ramp control tower, including upgrades needed to make it compliant with the American Disabilities Act (ADA); and
- Remove line-of-sight (LOS) obstructions between the existing and new ATCT and Future Taxiway F.

#### Preliminary Purpose and Need

Defining the Purpose and Need is essential in providing a sound justification for the proposed action. In addition, the Purpose and Need is used as the primary foundation to develop reasonable alternatives to the Proposed Action.

The *purpose* of the Proposed Action is to:

- Provide a replacement ATCT and FAA office spaces that meet the space and height requirements as specified in FAA Order 6480.7E, *Airport Traffic Control (ATCT) and Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) Design Policy* and FAA Order 6480.4B, *Airport Traffic Control Tower Siting Criteria.*
- Provide a convenient, high-quality hotel for BWI users within the main terminal area which maximizes revenue for the Airport.
- Ensure safe air navigation that meets the requirements specified in *CFR Title 14 Part 77-Safe, Efficient Use, and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace (Part 77).*

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Airport Surface Detection System (ASDE) consisting of an enclosed rating radar array.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Demolition of the existing ATCT is not part of the Proposed Action. Plans for the existing ATCT have not been determined at this time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> CFR Title 14 Part 77- Safe, Efficient Use, and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace (Part 77). The Proposed Action includes Part 77 obstructions located adjacent to line-of-sight (LOS) obstructions associated with the new ATCT (see Connected Actions). Some Part 77 obstructions are also LOS obstructions between the new ATCT and Future Taxiway F.

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The Proposed Action projects are *needed* to address the following issues:

A **New ATCT** is needed to replace the existing ATCT which was constructed in the 1970s. The existing ATCT is beyond its useful life, is physically too small and does not meet ADA requirements. The new ATCT is needed to replace outdated facilities with an adequately sized, code compliant facility that meets the current FAA tower operational (i.e., staffing and equipment) and design standards. Additionally, the existing ATCT has LOS issues which interfere with Airport Traffic Control (ATC).

**FAA Staffing Offices** are needed to meet staffing needs of the FAA that cannot be accommodated within the ATCT.

**Removal of Part 77 obstructions** are needed to meet FAA standards for a safe and navigable airspace. Vegetation obstructions penetrate Part 77 surfaces in the area directly north of the realigned Taxiway F and adjacent to LOS obstructions associated with the new ATCT (see *Connected Actions*). Some obstructions in this area are considered both Part 77 and LOS obstructions.

A *Hotel* is needed to provide a high level of service to BWI Airport users through meeting their hospitality and meeting space demands. There are currently no hotels within a convenient walking distance of the main terminal. Additionally, an airport hotel would provide revenue generation and further promote BWI Marshall as the airport of choice in the region.

#### Connected Actions

**Supplemental ATCT Upgrades** are needed so that the existing, unused ramp control tower can function as a supplemental ATCT by providing adequate airfield LOS coverage during construction of the C-D Connector and ATCT Program.

**LOS Vegetation Obstruction Removal** is needed to clear LOS obstructions to the end of Future Taxiway F from the existing and new ATCT. The realignment of Taxiway F (environmentally approved in the *Final EA and Section 4(f) Determination for Airport Layout Plan Phase I Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport* dated November 2020) has been broken into phases for construction and funding purposes, construction of Phase 1, between Taxiways 'G' and 'F1' is nearing completion. The remaining phases are currently under design and construction is anticipated to be completed in 2024. Existing vegetation in the area directly north of Taxiway F and directly west of Runway 15R will obstruct the ability of Air Traffic Control (ATC) to see aircraft operating on the realigned Taxiway F from both the existing ATCT and proposed new ATCT. LOS vegetation obstructions between the existing ATCT and end of future Taxiway F would need to be removed in order for the existing ATCT to safely function during construction of the proposed new ATCT.

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#### **Preliminary Alternatives**

Analysis of alternatives is key to the NEPA process. The EA will include consideration of reasonable alternatives to the Proposed Action. The number of alternatives considered will be influenced by the degree of potential impact as well as the stated purpose and need. The EA will consider potential alternatives based on the alternative's ability to meet the purpose and need of the Proposed Action. Alternatives which have been analyzed and reviewed as part of existing studies will be discussed in the EA. It is anticipated that at a minimum the following alternatives will be considered:

- No Action Alternative Consideration of the No Action Alternative is required by NEPA per the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations. The No Action Alternative represents the Airport without the improvements included in the Proposed Action. However, the No Action Alternative would include removal of LOS issues with the existing ATCT to accommodate the future completion of Taxiway F.
- Proposed Action Alternative This alternative includes the new ATCT (Site 1A, as determined through review by FAA Airway Facilities Tower Integration Laboratory [AFTIL]), FAA offices, Part 77 obstruction removal, new Hotel, and connected actions: Supplemental ATCT upgrades to the existing but unused ramp control tower, and LOS obstruction removal between the existing and new ATCT and the end of future Taxiway F as illustrated on Figure 1.

#### **Environmental Analysis**

The EA will assess the environmental consequences of the Proposed Action and reasonable alternatives. All categories of impact will be considered according to the criteria included in FAA Orders 1050.1F and 5050.4B. Impact analyses will be conducted for the first full year of implementation (2030) of the improvements and five years thereafter.

While all of the environmental impact categories identified in FAA Orders 1050.1F and 5050.4B will be addressed in the EA, the major emphasis is expected to be on those categories listed below. Preliminary review of the affected environment and available materials indicated that these categories may require detailed analysis.

- Air Quality and Climate
  - Review of potential construction emissions impacts
- Biological Resources
  - Review of potential impacts due to vegetation removal and potential impacts to threatened and endangered species due to vegetation removal
- Department of Transportation, Section 4(f)
  - Review of viewshed with consideration of new ATCT and 4(f) resources
- Historical, Architectural, Archeological, and Cultural Resources
  - Review of viewshed with consideration of new ATCT and historic resources
- o Visual Effects
  - Review of viewshed with consideration of new ATCT
- Water Resources, including wetlands, floodplains, and surface waters
  - Review of potential impacts to non-tidal wetlands due to vegetative removal

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Preliminary review indicated that the following categories may be impacted and some analysis may be required.

- Coastal Resources
- o Land Use
- Hazardous Materials, Solid Waste, and Pollution Prevention
- Noise and Noise-Compatible Land Use
- Natural Resources and Energy Supply
- Socioeconomic Impacts, Environmental Justice, and Children's Environmental Health and Safety Risks
- Cumulative Impacts

Farmlands are not present in or around BWI Marshall Airport and will require no analysis. The EA will provide succinct documentation as to why this resource will not be affected.

The anticipated level of analysis for the resource categories is based on preliminary review of the affected environment. Ongoing field studies, detailed analyses and agency consultation will determine the appropriate level of analysis for each resource category.

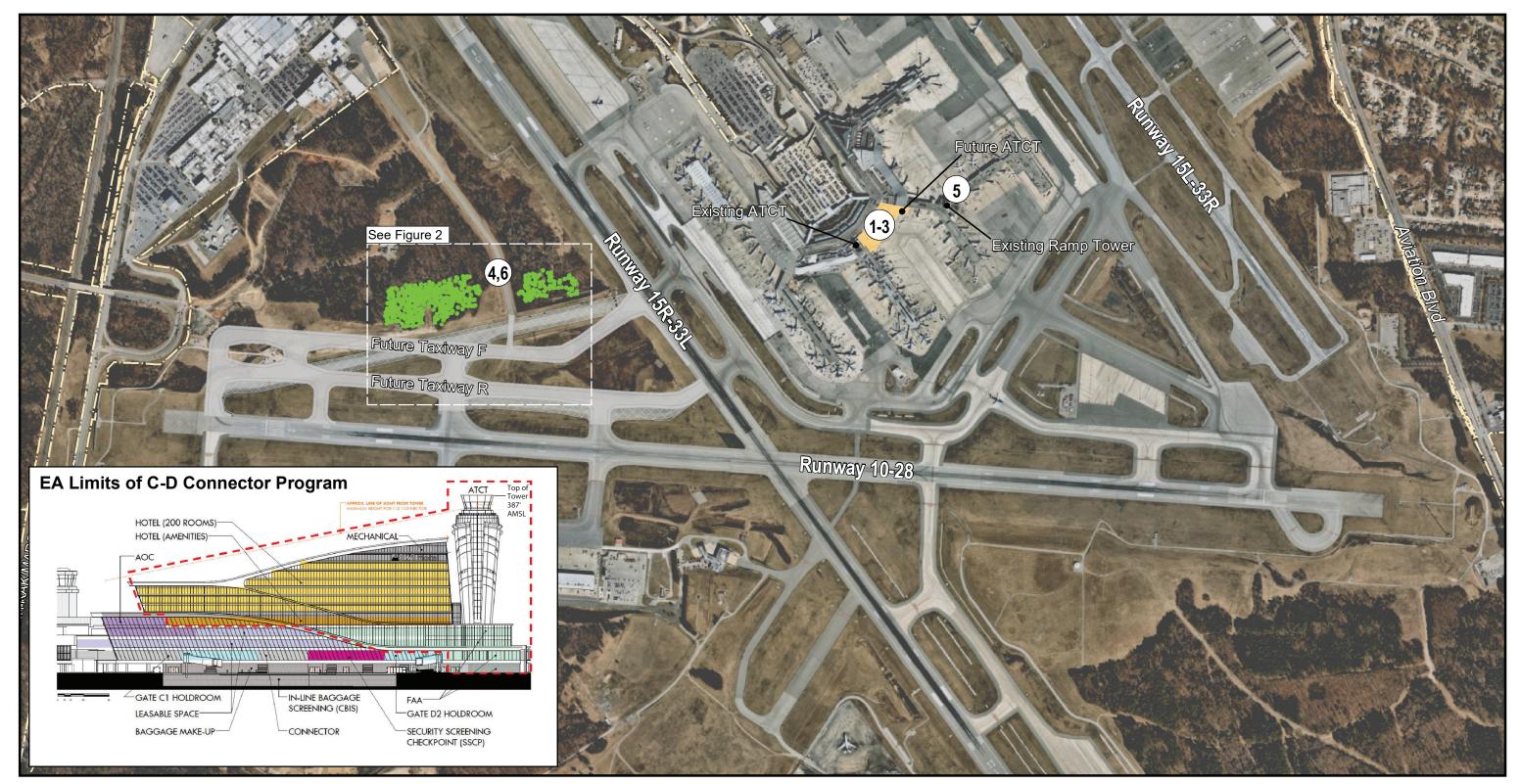
#### **Preliminary Schedule**

The EA is anticipated to take approximately nine months to complete. Major milestones are depicted on the following schedule. Note that there will be another opportunity to participate in the development of the EA during the Draft EA Comment Period. It is anticipated that the Draft EA will be available for agency and public review and comment in October 2023. Comments on the Draft EA will be addressed as part of the preparation of the Final EA.

		2023							2024	
TASK	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	
Scoping										
Impact Analysis										
Draft EA										
Draft EA Comment Period										
Response to Comments										
Final EA/ NEPA Finding										



## **New Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements Environmental Assessment**



#### LEGEND

- EA Limits of C-D Connector Program C-D Connector Program

  - Future Taxiway Alignment Future Taxiway Pavement Demolition
  - MDOT MAA Property

• Vegetative Obstruction Removal\* (Projects #4 and 6)

\*See Figure 2: Proposed Action – Obstruction Removal for a detailed view of the Part 77 and ATCT LOS obstructions.

#### **Proposed Action Projects**

- (**1**) New Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT)
- (2) FAA Staffing Offices

(3) Hotel

#### **Connected Action Projects**

**(5)** Supplemental ATCT Upgrades  $\mathbf{6}$ 

(4) Part 77 Obstruction Removal ATCT LOS Obstruction Removal

## **Proposed Action** Figure 1



Sources: MDOT MAA, Nearmap, C-D Connector Project Definition Document (2018)



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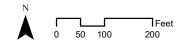
Future Taxiway F and R Alignment Future Taxiway Pavement Demolition

MDOT MAA Property

#### Vegetative Obstruction Removal

- Existing ATCT LOS Obstructions
- Future ATCT LOS Obstructions
- Part 77 Obstructions

#### Proposed Action - Obstruction Removal Figure 2



Title	First Name	Last Name	Position	Company Name	Address Line 1	Address Line 2	City	State	ZIP Code	Email
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# Attachment 2:

Agency Scoping Responses

From: Beth Cole - MHT <beth.cole@maryland.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 12:01 PM
To: Kevin Clarke <KClarke@bwiairport.com>
Subject: Re: BWI Marshall Airport - Environmental Assessment - Draft Agency Scoping Package

Hi Kevin,

Thank you for including the Maryland Historical Trust (MD SHPO) in the agency scoping notification for the proposed new Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) and associated improvements at BWI Marshall Airport [MHT Log #202302667]. The Trust would be involved in the review of the proposed improvements for effects to historic and archeological properties, pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the Maryland Historical Trust Act of 1985. Given the substantive increase in the height of the proposed new tower, MAA will need to consider the possible visual effects of the tower on historic properties in the area of potential effects, in addition to the direct effects of the undertaking, if any. We look forward to further consultation with MAA and other involved parties to complete the historic preservation review of this undertaking as project planning progresses.

Let me know if you have questions or need further assistance. Thanks again for providing us this opportunity for early comment.

Beth Cole

To check on the status of a submittal, please use our online search: <a href="https://mht.maryland.gov/compliancelog/ComplianceLogSearch.aspx">https://mht.maryland.gov/compliancelog/ComplianceLogSearch.aspx</a>.



**Beth Cole** Administrator, Project Review and Compliance Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Department of Planning 100 Community Place Crownsville, MD 21032 beth.cole@maryland.gov / 410-697-9541 MHT.Maryland.gov

We want to hear from you! Please <u>take our survey</u> to shape the future of preservation in Maryland.

On Wed, Jun 28, 2023 at 2:03 PM Kevin Clarke <<u>KClarke@bwiairport.com</u>> wrote: Hello everyone,

I hope you're getting ready for a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend!

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Mr. Kevin Clarke Director, Office of Planning & Environmental Services Division of Planning & Engineering Maryland Aviation Administration PO Box 8766 BWI Airport, MD 21240-0766

Any questions, please call me at the numbers listed below.

Cheers, Kevin

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Serena McIlwain, Secretary Suzanne E. Dorsey, Deputy Secretary

Mr. Kevin Clarke Director, Office of Planning and Engineering Maryland Aviation Administration BWI Airport, MD 21240-0766

July 17, 2023

#### Re: Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall (BWI) Airport New Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) Environmental Assessment Analysis

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Air and Radiation Administration (ARA) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the *Environmental Assessment for New Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport Scoping Information Package*, dated June 28, 2023, that provides an introduction to the scope of work and need for analysis of air quality in the construction of the new ATCT, additional operational space, a new hotel, and Part 77 obstruction removal.

To date, Maryland has three nonattainment areas encompassing BWI Marshall Airport. This includes the Baltimore 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment area (for both the 2008 and 2015 standards) and the Anne Arundel and Baltimore County SO<sub>2</sub> Nonattainment Area. The BNAA is classified as a moderate area under the 2015 8-hour standard, and the entire state of Maryland is located within the Ozone Transport Region (OTR). In November 2022 the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized a Clean Data Determination (CDD) for The Anne Arundel-Baltimore County SO<sub>2</sub> Nonattainment Area.

In this scoping phase, MDE would like to highlight that the air quality analysis methodology outlined in the document is lacking sufficient details to comment upon in a thorough manner. MDE expects that a revised plan will be shared in the future after a detailed outline for the construction plan has been determined. MDE looks forward to the air quality analysis that will be performed on the ATCT and associated improvements to evaluate the differences in air quality impacts, both short-term during construction, as well as long-term.

There are a several elements that MDE would like to highlight as critical as the study moves forward:

#### **General Conformity**

BWI Airport is located within multiple nonattainment areas. As such, the Clean Air Act's General Conformity requirements (section 176(c)(4)) apply to the project. General Conformity ensures that the actions taken by federal agencies, such as airport construction, do not interfere with a state's plans to attain and maintain national standards for air quality. The de-minimis levels for a general conformity demonstration can be found here: <u>https://www.epa.gov/general-conformity/de-minimis-tables</u>. For additional General Conformity information refer to the following Federal Register

notices for more information: 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93, July 17, 2006.

If a project receives federal funding, approvals and/or permits and will be located in a nonattainment area or maintenance area, the applicant needs to determine whether emissions from the project will cause or contribute to new violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) by exceeding the de minimis threshold levels identified in the federal rule on general conformity. Under the General Conformity rule, federal agencies must work with state, tribal and local governments in a nonattainment or maintenance area to ensure that federal actions conform to the air quality plans established in the applicable state or tribal implementation plan.

#### **Environmental Justice (EJ)**

Communities with environmental justice (EJ) concerns bear a disproportionate share of the negative environmental consequences resulting from industrial activities, land-use planning and zoning, municipal and commercial operations or the execution of federal, state, local programs and policies. MDE is committed to the goal of achieving environmental equity for all Maryland residents. Accordingly, as MDE implements state laws and programs to protect and restore the environment, and reviews proposed projects; it is the policy of MDE to implement environmental laws and programs wherever possible in a manner that reduces existing inequities and avoids the creation of additional inequities in communities with EJ concerns.

MDE requests the inclusion of EJ impacts from this project be included in the project analysis.. More information can be found at MDE's EJ webpage: <u>https://mde.maryland.gov/Environmental\_Justice/Pages/Landing%20Page.aspx</u>

#### Potential Air Quality Impacts and Regulatory Requirements

The environmental assessment air quality analysis should include potential impacts of fugitive dust sources and emissions from equipment and truck use, soil disturbances, site and equipment maintenance, track out, paving off gasses, changes in traffic flow, paints and architectural coatings, and so on. Dust suppression techniques should be used during construction to reduce air pollution. Such techniques could include application of water, soil stabilizers, or vegetation; use of windbreak enclosures; use of covers on soil stockpiles and dump truck loads; use of silt fences; and suspension of earth-movement activities during high-wind conditions (i.e., gusts exceeding 25 miles per hour).

Additionally, construction activities should be conducted in compliance with Maryland regulatory requirements, through the use of compliant practices or products. These requirements appear in COMAR Title 26, Subtitle 11, Air Quality, and include the following: Particulate Matter from Materials Handling and Construction (COMAR 26.11.06.03.D); Visible Emissions (COMAR 23.22.06.02); Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds from Architectural Coatings (COMAR 26.11.35); and Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds from Consumer Products (COMAR 26.11.32).

#### **Reconsideration of the Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) NAAQS**

MDE would like to draw attention to the EPA's efforts to reconsider the NAAQS for PM2.5. On January 6, 2023, EPA announced a proposal to strengthen the federal standard for PM2.5 to better protect communities, including those most overburdened by pollution. The proposal considers

lowering the standard from 12 micrograms per cubic meter to a level between 9 and 10 micrograms per cubic meter; comments will also be taken at evaluating a range between 8 and 11 micrograms per cubic meter. It is important that this process be monitored should the area encompassing BWI be designated as nonattainment.

MDE appreciates the opportunity to comment on the *Environmental Assessment for New Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport Scoping Information Package* thus far and looks forward to reviewing the results of this study.

#### Conclusion

Again, thank you for the opportunity to review this draft document. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me or a member of my staff at (410) 537-3273.

Sincerely,

Roger E. Thunel

Roger E. Thunell Program Manager, Air Quality Planning Program Air and Radiation Administration



July 24, 2023

Mr. Kevin Clarke MDOT MD Aviation Administration P.O. Box 8766 BWI Airport, MD 21240-0766

# RE: Environmental Review for BWI Marshall Airport New Airport Traffic Control Tower EA, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Clarke:

The Wildlife and Heritage Service has no official records for State or Federal listed, candidate, proposed, or rare plant or animal species within the project area shown on the map provided. As a result, we have no specific concerns regarding potential impacts to such species or recommendations for protection measures at this time. If the project changes in the future such that the limits of proposed disturbance or overall site boundaries are modified, please provide us with revised project maps and we will provide you with an updated evaluation.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to review this project. If you should have any further questions regarding this information, please contact me at <u>lori.byrne@maryland.gov</u> or at (410) 260-8573.

Sincerely,

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Lori A. Byrne, Environmental Review Coordinator Wildlife and Heritage Service MD Dept. of Natural Resources

ER# 2023.1026.aa

From: Kristopher Kerr <KKerr@bwiairport.com>
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To: Kevin Clarke <KClarke@bwiairport.com>
Subject: RE: BWI Marshall Airport - Environmental Assessment - Draft Agency Scoping Package

Kevin,

With respect to review of the initial EA documents -

USDA would encourage MAA to consider the design of the ATCT tower and additional terminal structures, such that they don't provide overhangs or ledges which would encourage nesting or perching of birds. The current ATCT tower has had historical nesting/perching issues, which also led to issues with bird mites in the tower at one point in time.

USDA would also like to ensure that the planned vegetative Obstruction Removal does not result in open areas of standing water or exposed floodplains around kitten branch. The proposed vegetative removal northeast of the intersection of taxiway Foxtrot and taxilane Whiskey does look to open up overhead access to kitten branch, this may increase the attractiveness of the area to species such as Canada geese, mallards and Great-blue herons; we would obviously like avoid or plan to mitigate this issue if at all possible. This area also seems to backup a little more often than most, usually due to blocked downstream culverts, and/or from beavers which move upstream from off-airport locations. We do remove these beavers/dams and restore flow to the area once we become aware of them, but the combination of intermittent higher water levels and reduced cover may result in more waterfowl activity in the area.

Thank you for including us in this discussion, we look forward to assisting throughout the process wherever we can.

Thank you,

KC

Kristopher C. Kerr Wildlife Biologist USDA MD/DE/DC Wildlife Services Baltimore-Washington Thurgood Marshall Airport (443) 618-1849



From: Kevin Clarke <KClarke@bwiairport.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2023 2:04 PM

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 Subject: BWI Marshall Airport - Environmental Assessment - Draft Agency Scoping Package

Hello everyone,

I hope you're getting ready for a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend!

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Any questions, please call me at the numbers listed below.

Cheers,

Kevin

Kevin Clarke | Director Office of Planning & Environmental Services Division of Planning & Engineering MDOT Maryland Aviation Administration O: 410.859.7787 | C: 410.693.6117 PO Box 8766, BWI Airport, MD 21240-0766 kclarke@bwiairport.com



From: Danielle Spendiff -MDE- <danielle.spendiff1@maryland.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 3, 2023 11:24 AM
To: Kevin Clarke <KClarke@bwiairport.com>
Subject: Re: BWI Marshall Airport - Environmental Assessment - Draft Agency Scoping Package

Hi Kevin,

Apologies for not responding by 7/31- wanted to let you know I don't think MDE has anything to add for scoping that you aren't already aware of. If you have any questions though please feel free to contact me.

Thanks,

Danielle

On Wed, Jun 28, 2023 at 2:03 PM Kevin Clarke <<u>KClarke@bwiairport.com</u>> wrote: Hello everyone,

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#### **Draft EA Notice of Availability**

March 14, 2024

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#### FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION MARYLAND AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

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

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> Lewis McDaniels, LLC 50 Citizens Way, Suite 305 Frederick, MD 21701 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MD

Case No. C-02-CV-24-000433 (TAX SALE)

Oriole RE Group LLC. Plaintiff.

Maxwell S. Franklin; Tammy T. Sellman; Patricia A Franklin; Cindy M. Franklin; Amy L. McDowell; Anne Arundel County, Maryland, any and all unknown owners of the property and premises situate in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, described as .858 ACRES 1388 MT ZION MARLBORO RD WAYSONS CORNER and being identified on the Tax Roll as Parcel ID: 8000-0051-9400 and which may be known as 1388 Mt. Zion Marlboro Rd. Lothian, MD 20711, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest; and, any and all persons that have or claim to have any interest in the property and premises situate in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, described as .858 ACRES 1388 MT ZION MARLBORO RD WAYSONS CORNER and being identified on the Tax Roll as Parcel ID 8000-0051-9400, and which may be known as 1388 Mt Zion Marlboro Rd., Lothian, MD 20711, Defendants.

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WAYSONS CORNER and being identified on the Tax Roll as Parcel ID: 8000-0051-9400, and which may be known as 1388 Mt. Zion Marlboro Rd., Lothian, MD 20711.

The Complaint states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid. It is thereupon this 22nd day of February, 2024, by the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, Maryland,

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SCOTT A. POYER,

# **LEGAL NOTICES**

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CARRIE M. WARD, ET AL., Substitute Trustees Versus ROSALINDA HERRANZ Defendants

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Oriole RE Group LLC, Plaintiff.

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AURA D WIESE Associated Improvements at Maryland officially accepted the public Roads, Storm Drains and Baltimore / Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airpo mwater Management Facilities and Water and Sewe STEPHEN A LOPEZ 5629 Harpers Farm Road Unit E Linthicum, Maryland acilities (the required "Public Improvements") into the olumbia, MD 21044 county's system of publicly operated and maintained facilities The Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) in conjunction o serve the subdivision as more particularly shown an efendant(s) with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), in compliance NOTICE lescribed on the approved Construction Drawings as follows with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), and Notice is given this 4th day of March, 2024, by the Circuit Cour "Subdivision Plat, Centennial Reserve, Lots 1 Thru 17 and Ope FAA Orders 1050.1F and 5050.4B has completed a Draft or Howard County, Maryland, that the sale of the propert Space Lot 18, (Being A Subdivision Of Tax Map 30, Tax Parcels 4 Environmental Assessment (EA) for a proposed Airport Traffi and 449; and A Resubdivision of Non-Buildable Bulk Parcel 'A nentioned in these proceedings and described as 5629 Harper arm Road Unit E, Columbia, MD 21044, made and reported by Control Tower (ATCT) and associated improvements at Baltimor As Shown On A Plat Entitled "Plat of Resubdivision, East Side Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BW he Substitute Trustee will be RATIFIED AND CONFIRMED unles Section Two, Lot 5 and Non-Buildable Bulk Parcel 'A'" Recorde ause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 3rd day Marshall Airport) in Linthicum, Maryland in Anne Arundel County mong The Land Records of Howard County, Maryland As Plan of April, 2024, provided a copy of this NOTICE be inserted in The proposed improvements evaluated in the Draft EA include 25096)," Second Election District, Reference Number No ome newspaper printed in said County, once in each of three proposed ATCT hotel FAA offices Part 77 obstruction remova Agreement No. F-20-010/24- 5088-D (the Developer and existing ATCT line-of-sight obstruction removal. uccessive weeks before the 22nd day of March, 2024. 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# Attachment 5:

Draft EA Public Workshop Boards, Presentation, Handout, and Sign-In

April 3, 2024



# Draft Environmental Assessment for Proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport



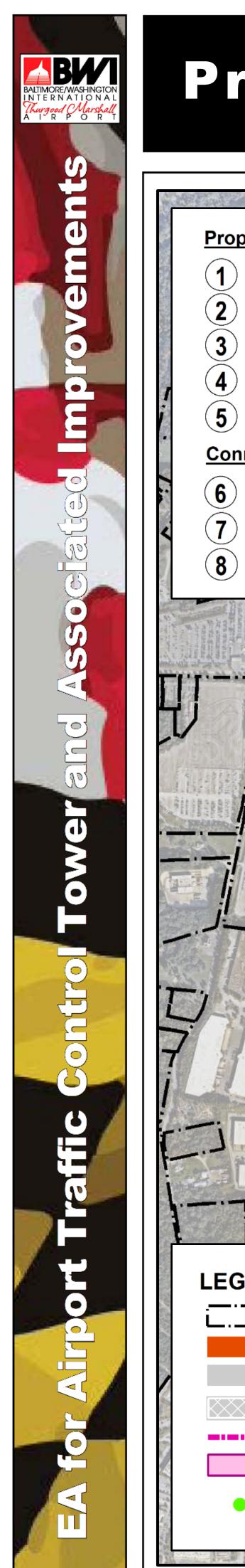
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# PUBLIC WORKSHOP

April 3, 2024

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION





# **Proposed Action Alternative**

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### Proposed Action Projects

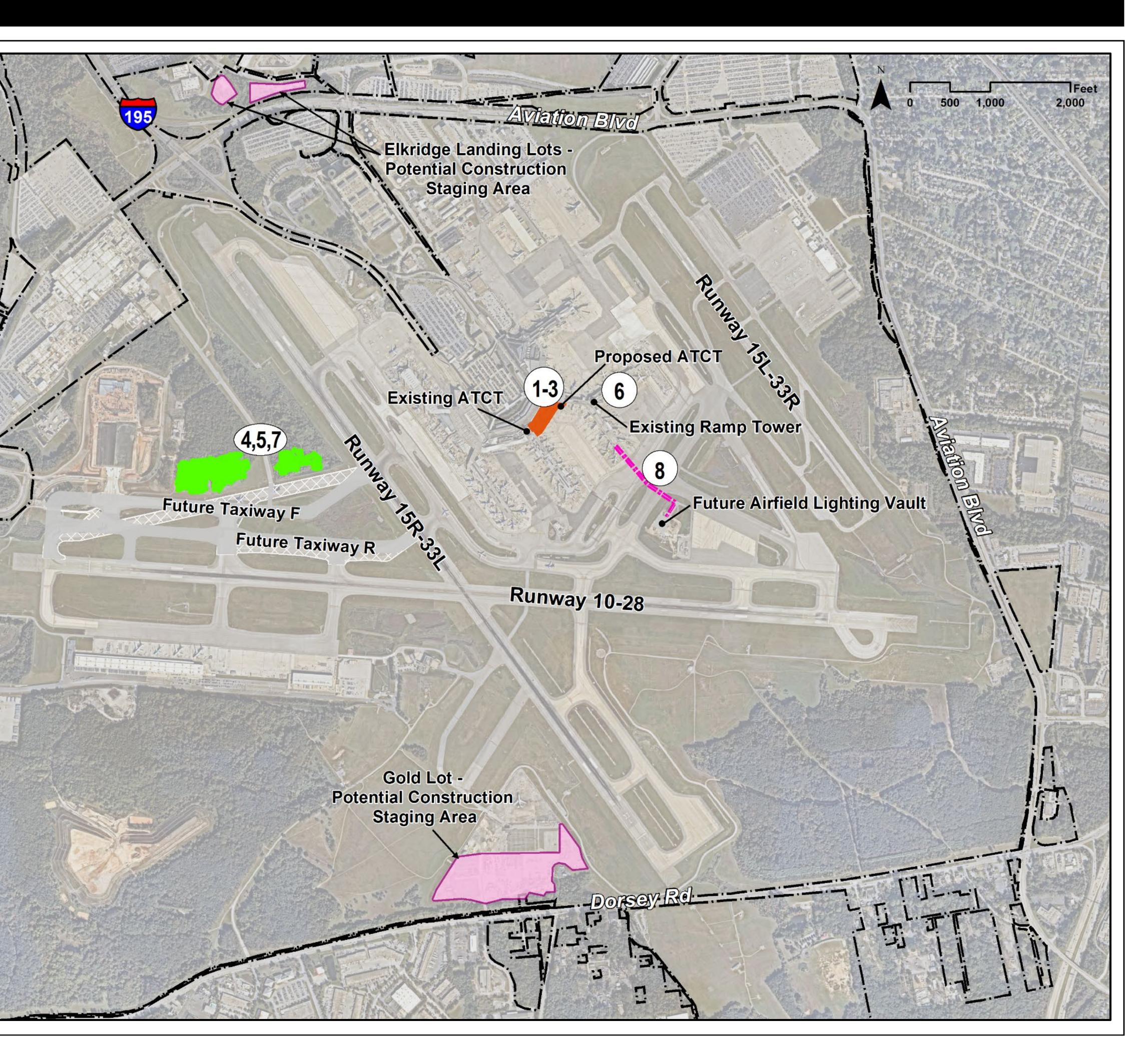
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### LEGEND

 Airport Property Boundary
 C-D Connector Program
 Future Taxiway Alignment
 Future Taxiway Pavement Demolition
 Proposed Utility Connection
 Potential Construction Staging Areas
 Vegetative Obstruction Removal (Projects #4,5 and 7)





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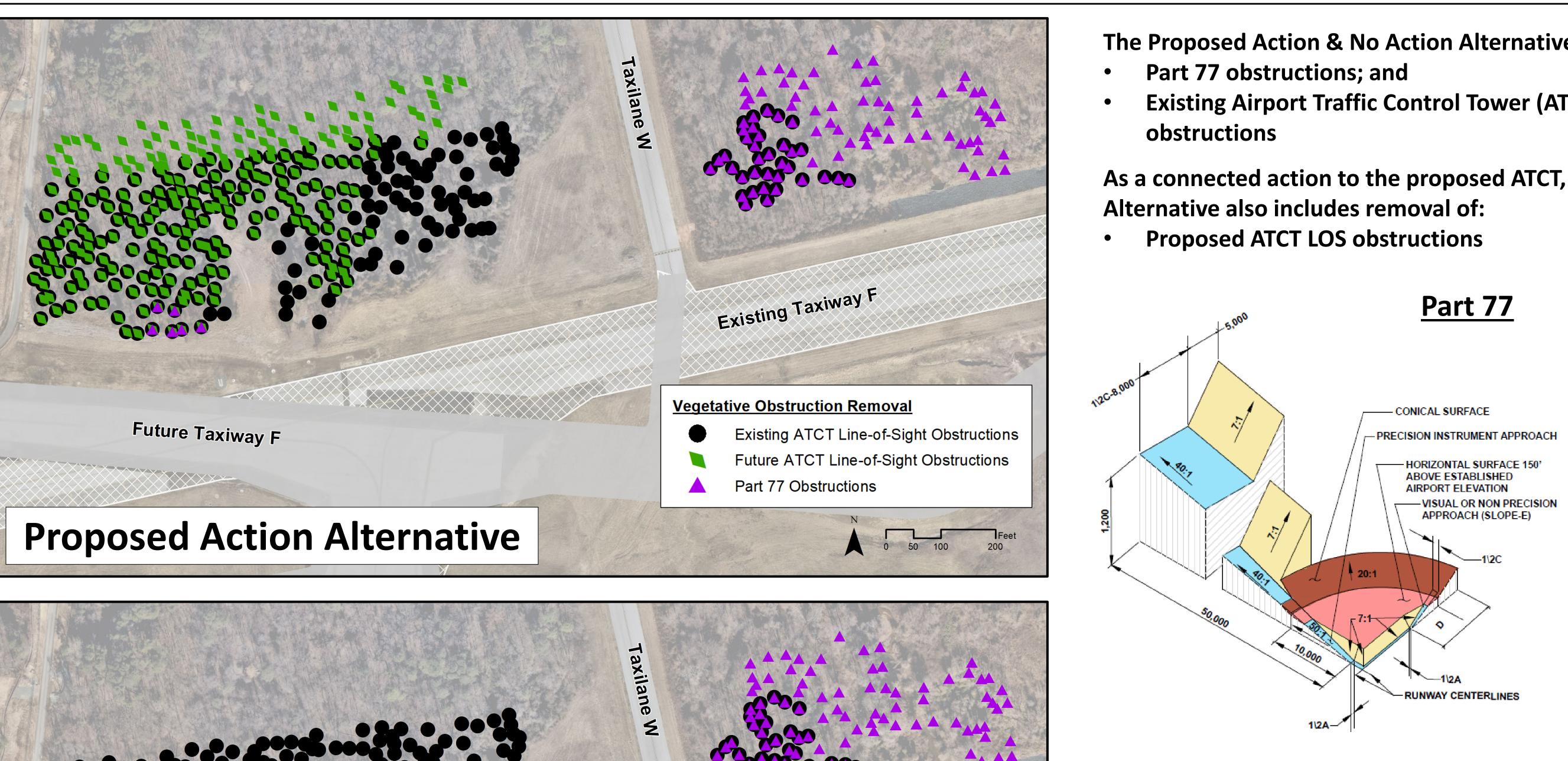
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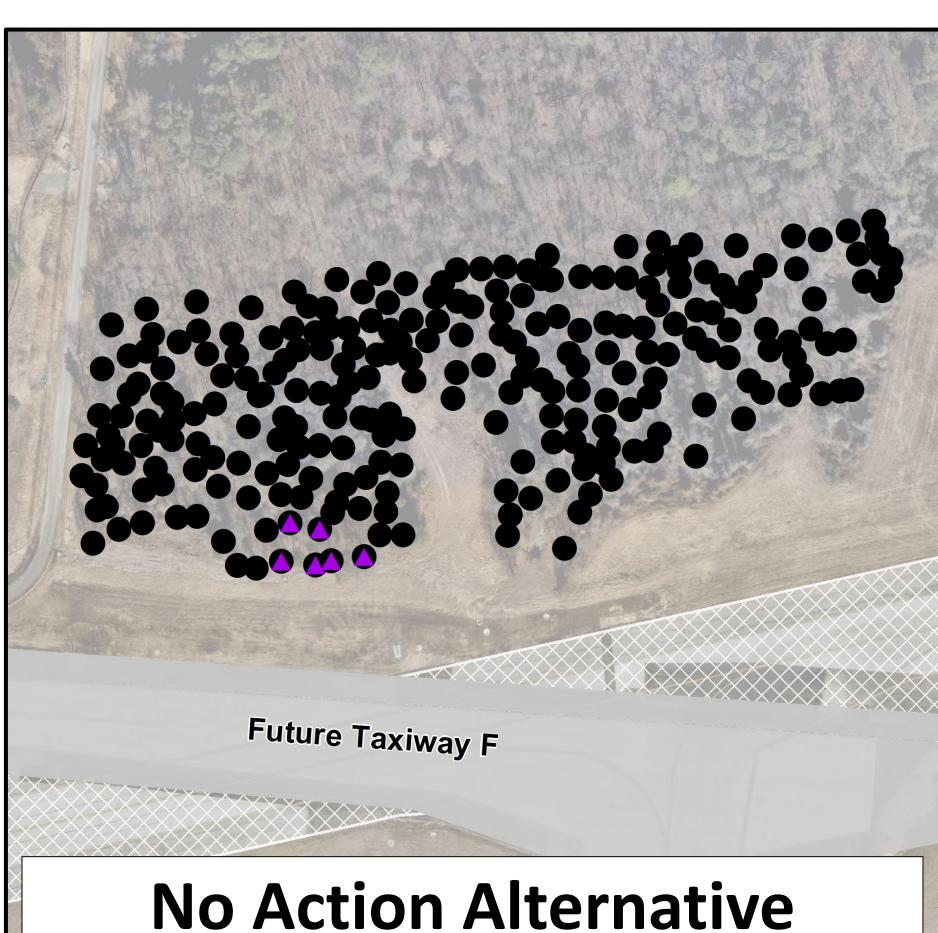
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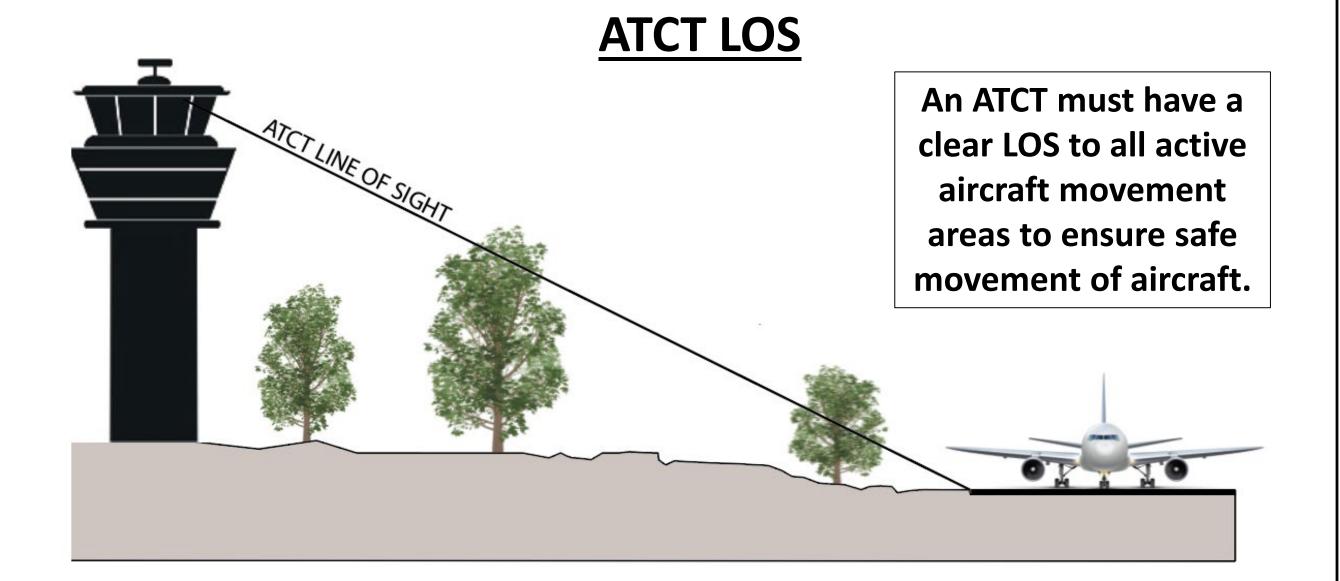




# **Proposed Action vs. No Action Obstruction Removal**

The Proposed Action & No Action Alternatives include removal of: Existing Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) line-of-sight (LOS)

As a connected action to the proposed ATCT, the Proposed Action



Vegetative Obstruction Removal Existing ATCT Line-of-Sight Obstructions

### Part 77 Obstructions

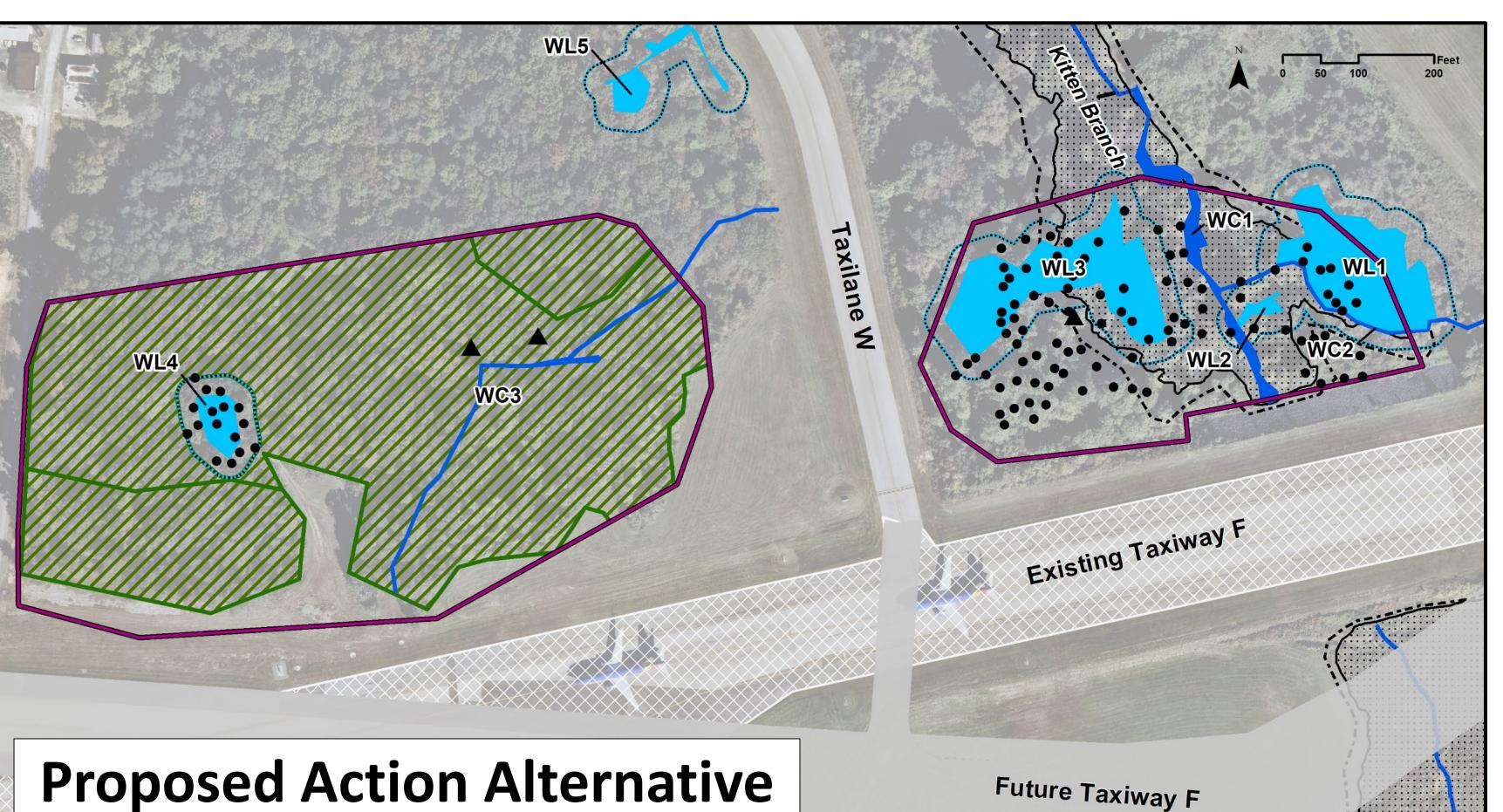
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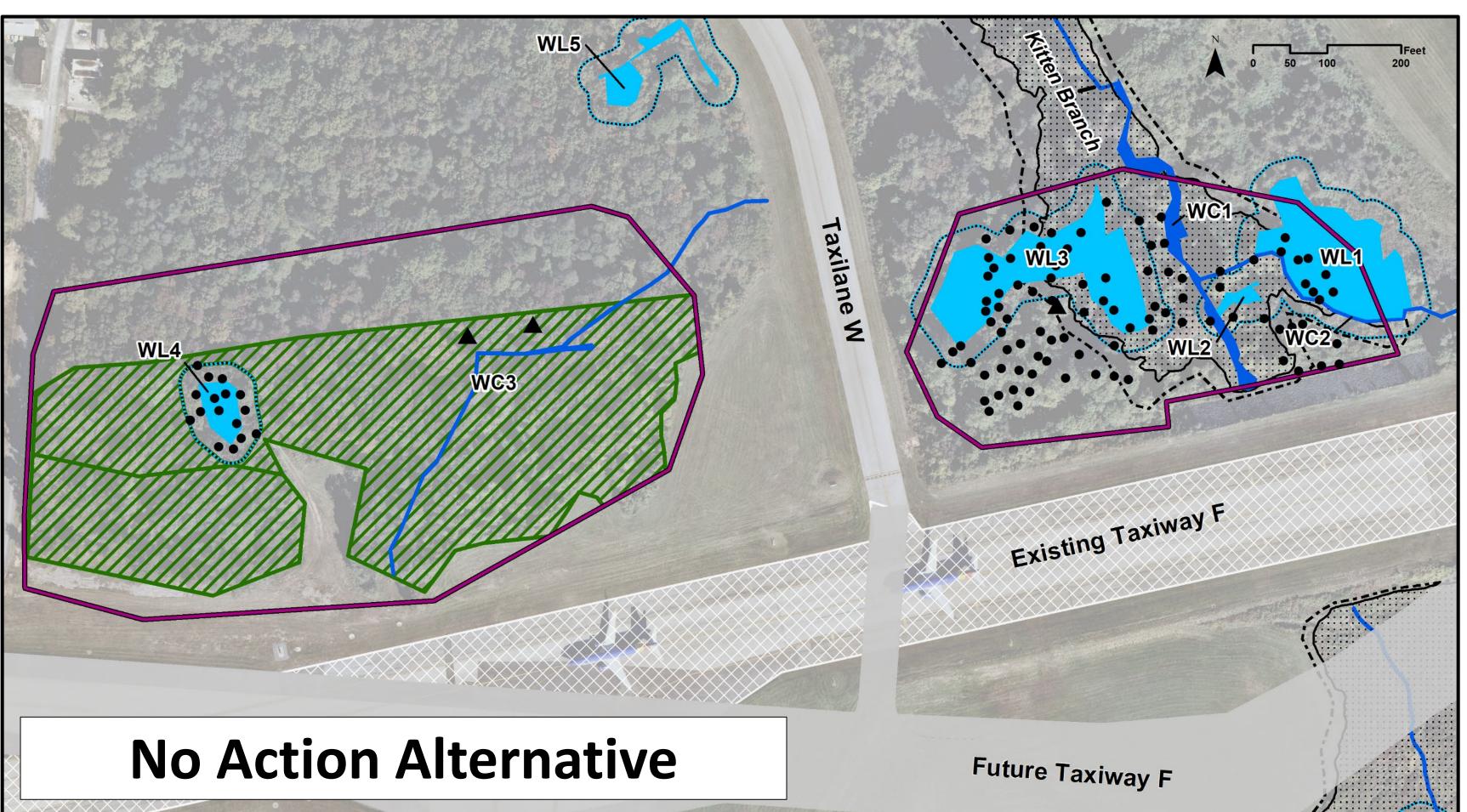
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# Proposed Action vs. No Action Vegetation and Wetland Impacts





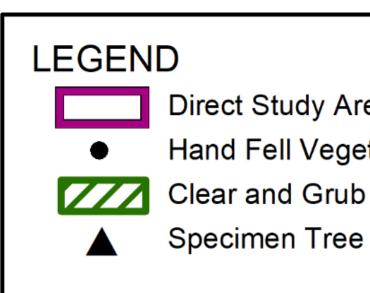


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2' Added to Base Flood Elevation
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# **Environmental Impact Analysis**

# FAA Order 1050.1F Environmental Impact Categoria

Air Quality

**Biological Resources** 

Mitigation: Placement of MDNR Forest Conservation Easement

Climate

Coastal Resources

DOT Section 4(f) Resources

Farmlands

Hazardous Materials, Solid Waste, and Pollution Pr Historical, Architectural, Archaeological, and Cultur Resources

Land Use

Natural Resources and Energy Supply

Noise and Noise-Compatible Land Use

Socioeconomic, Environmental Justice and Childre Environmental Health and Safety Risks

Visual Effects

Water Resources

Wetlands

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# Agency Scoping

July 2023

**FAA Decision** 

Please submit comments by April 15<sup>th</sup> to ensure your input is considered in the EA process.

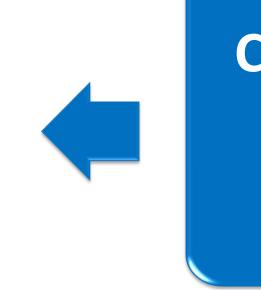
**Environmental Assessment Process and Timeline** 

**Prepare Draft EA** September 2023 – January 2024

**Circulate Draft EA for Public Review** March 14 – April 15, 2024

**Prepare Final EA** and Responses to Comments

April – May 2024



# Submit comments to:

# Mr. Kevin Clarke

Director, Office of Planning & Environmental Services **Division of Planning & Engineering** Maryland Aviation Administration P.O. Box 8766 BWI Airport, MD 21240 kclarke@bwiairport.com

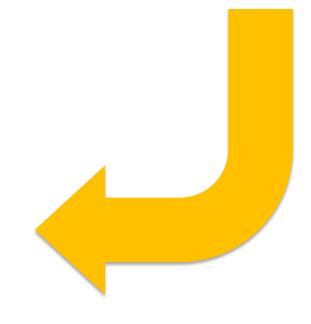




# **Conduct Draft EA Public Workshop**

April 3, 2024

**Collect Comments on** Draft EA Due April 15, 2024



### **Public Workshop**

Draft Environmental Assessment for Proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport

April 3, 2024





MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. MARYLAND AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

# **PRESENTATION OVERVIEW**

- Project Background
- Environmental Assessment (EA)
  - Purpose and Need
  - Alternatives
  - Proposed Action
  - Potential Environmental Impacts
- Next Steps

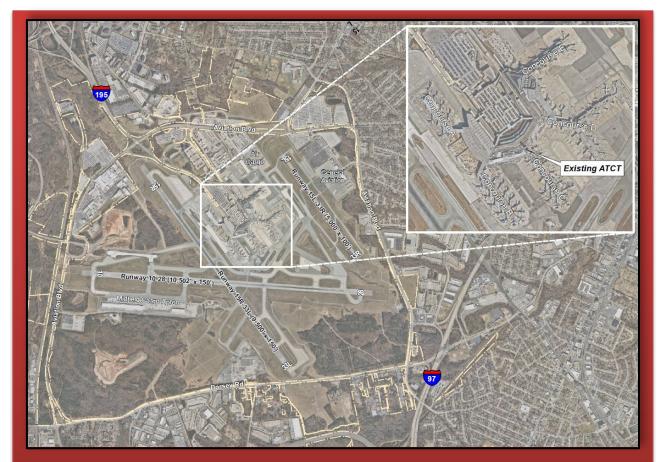






# PROJECT BACKGROUND

- Existing ATCT was constructed in 1983 and is beyond its useful life
  - Physically too small
  - Lacks space to accommodate new ATC mission requirements (equipment and staff)
- Currently no hotels within walking distance of the terminal



**BWI MARSHALL AIRPORT** 





# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

- What is an Environmental Assessment?
  - An EA is a concise public document that provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining the level of potential environmental impacts.
  - The EA is prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and its implementing regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), FAA Orders 1050.1F Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures and 5050.4B NEPA Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions, and applicable special purpose laws.
  - MAA is preparing this document for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to evaluate the potential impacts to the environment and to provide a detailed review of the proposed development actions.
- End Result of an EA
  - An EA is prepared to determine whether the Proposed Action has the potential to cause significant environmental impacts.
  - If <u>No Significant Impacts</u> are found:
    - FAA Issues a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or FONSI/Record of Decision.
  - If <u>Significant Impacts</u> are found:
    - FAA Issues a Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).





### PURPOSE AND NEED

- Provide a replacement ATCT and FAA office and operational spaces that meet the space and height requirements as specified in FAA design standards.
- Provide a convenient, high-quality hotel for BWI Marshall Airport users within the main terminal area.
- Meet FAA requirements ensuring safe air navigation and safe movement of aircraft on the airfield with cleared vegetative obstructions.





# **A**LTERNATIVES

- Proposed Action Alternative
  - Addresses all identified needs and where practical, avoids or minimizes potential environmental impacts.
- No Action Alternative
  - Represents BWI Marshall Airport in its current state with only the following proposed improvements:
    - Part 77 obstruction removal.
    - Existing ATCT LOS obstruction removal.
  - Serves as a basis of comparison with other alternatives; and is a requirement of NEPA per Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations.





# **PROPOSED ACTION ALTERNATIVE**

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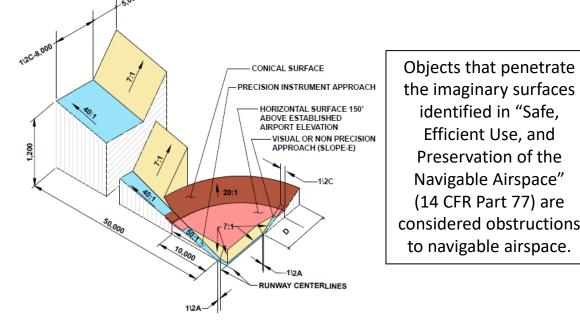




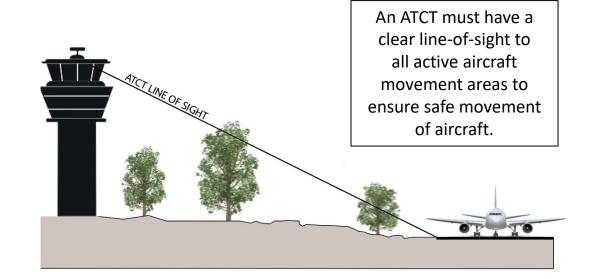
# PART 77 AND ATCT LOS

#### <u>Part 77</u>

#### ATCT Line-Of-Sight



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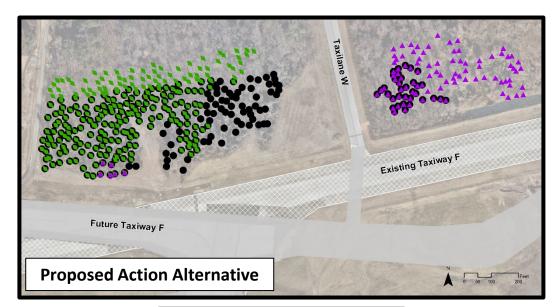


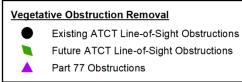
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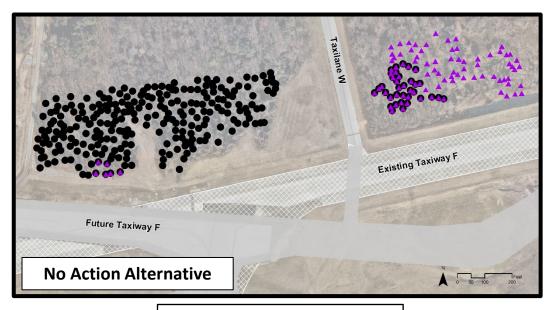




# PROPOSED ACTION VS. NO ACTION OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL







#### Vegetative Obstruction Removal

Existing ATCT Line-of-Sight Obstructions

Part 77 Obstructions





# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

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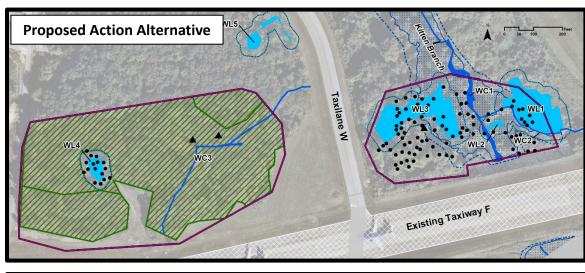
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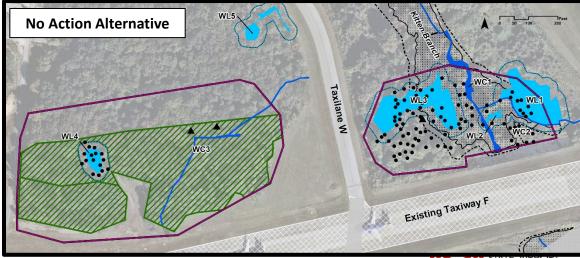
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# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS RELEVANT TO FAA ACTIONS**

#### No Impact or No Significant Impacts ۲

- Air Quality; Climate; Coastal Resources; Farmlands; Hazardous Materials, Solid Waste, and Pollution Prevention; Historical, Architectural, Archaeological, and Cultural Resources; Land Use; Natural Resources and Energy Supply; Noise and Compatible Land Use; Socioeconomic, Environmental Justice, and Children's Environmental Health and Safety Risks (and Traffic); Visual Effects; and Water Resources (Surface Waters, Floodplains, Groundwater).
- Design and construction would comply with all federal, state and local regulations, ۲ including permit requirements.





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# NEXT STEPS







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### Submit comments to:

Mr. Kevin Clarke Director, Office of Planning & Environmental Services Division of Planning & Engineering Maryland Aviation Administration P.O. Box 8766 BWI Airport, MD 21240 kclarke@bwiairport.com

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#### PURPOSE AND NEED

The purpose of implementing the Proposed Action:

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- Provide a convenient, high-quality hotel for BWI Marshall Airport users within the main terminal area which maximizes both passenger experience and revenue for the Airport.
- Ensure safe air navigation that meets the requirements specified in CFR Title 14 Part 77- Safe, Efficient Use, and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace (Part 77).
- Ensure safe movement of aircraft with cleared LOS between the existing ATCT and all active movement areas.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

Alternatives were identified, screened, and either eliminated from further consideration or carried forward for environmental analysis. Both "action" and "no action" alternatives were considered. While a "no action" alternative may not address an identified area of need, evaluation of the "no action" alternative is required per CEQ regulations. The "no action" alternative serves as a basis of comparison with other alternatives retained for environmental analysis. The Proposed Action Alternative is comprised of the alternative for each proposed project element that best meets the purpose and need and avoids or minimizes potential environmental impacts.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

Environmental categories identified in FAA Order 1050.1F, Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures, and included in the NEPA analysis were: air quality; biological resources (including fish, wildlife, and plants); climate; coastal resources; Department of Transportation Section 4(f); farmlands; hazardous materials, solid waste, and pollution prevention; historical, architectural, archaeological, and cultural resources; land use; natural resources and energy supply; noise and compatible land use; socioeconomics, environmental justice, and children's environmental health and safety risks; visual effects (including light emissions); and water resources (including wetlands, floodplains, surface waters, groundwater, and wild and scenic rivers).

#### **DRAFT EA REVIEW AND SUBMITTING COMMENTS**

The Draft EA is available for review online at the following website with hardcopies available at the locations listed below: https://marylandaviation.com/environmental/environmental-planning/

Washington Airports District Office Office of Environmental Services 13873 Park Center Road Suite 490S Herndon, VA 20171 Howard County Library System Elkridge Branch 6540 Washington Blvd Elkridge, MD 21075

Federal Aviation Administration

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**PUBLIC WORKSHOP** 

#### **PROJECT BACKGROUND**

The Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) prepared Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) to identify an assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) ar associated improvements at Baltimore / Washingto International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI Marsha Airport) in Linthicum, Maryland in Anne Arundel County

The Draft EA was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) ar the Council on Environmental Quality (CEC implementing regulations, which requires consideration of potential environmental impacts within an agency decision-making process. NEPA requires an analysis human, cultural, and natural resources. MAA requesting unconditional approval of the Propose Action as well as opportunity to seek Federal funding the form of Airport Improvement Program (AIP Passenger Facility Charges (PFC), and/or other feder grants.

#### **PROPOSED ACTION**

The Proposed Action includes a proposed ATCT, hote FAA offices, Part 77 obstruction removal, and existing ATCT line-of-sight obstruction removal. The figure on the inside of this handout depicts the Proposed Action projects and connected action projects. For each element, the purpose and need, alternatives, and potential environmental impacts resulting from its implementation are discussed in detail in the Draft EA.

The overall design and construction schedule for all Proposed Action projects, including enabling projects would be between six and seven years. It is anticipated that ATCT design would begin in 2024. Enabling project construction, including LOS vegetation removal and supplemental ATCT upgrades would be completed in 2024 and 2025, respectively. Due to proximity, the Part 77 obstructions would be removed at the same time as the LOS vegetation obstructions. Construction of the proposed ATCT, FAA staffing offices and hotel would be completed between 2027-2029. All Proposed Action projects would be operational by 2030.





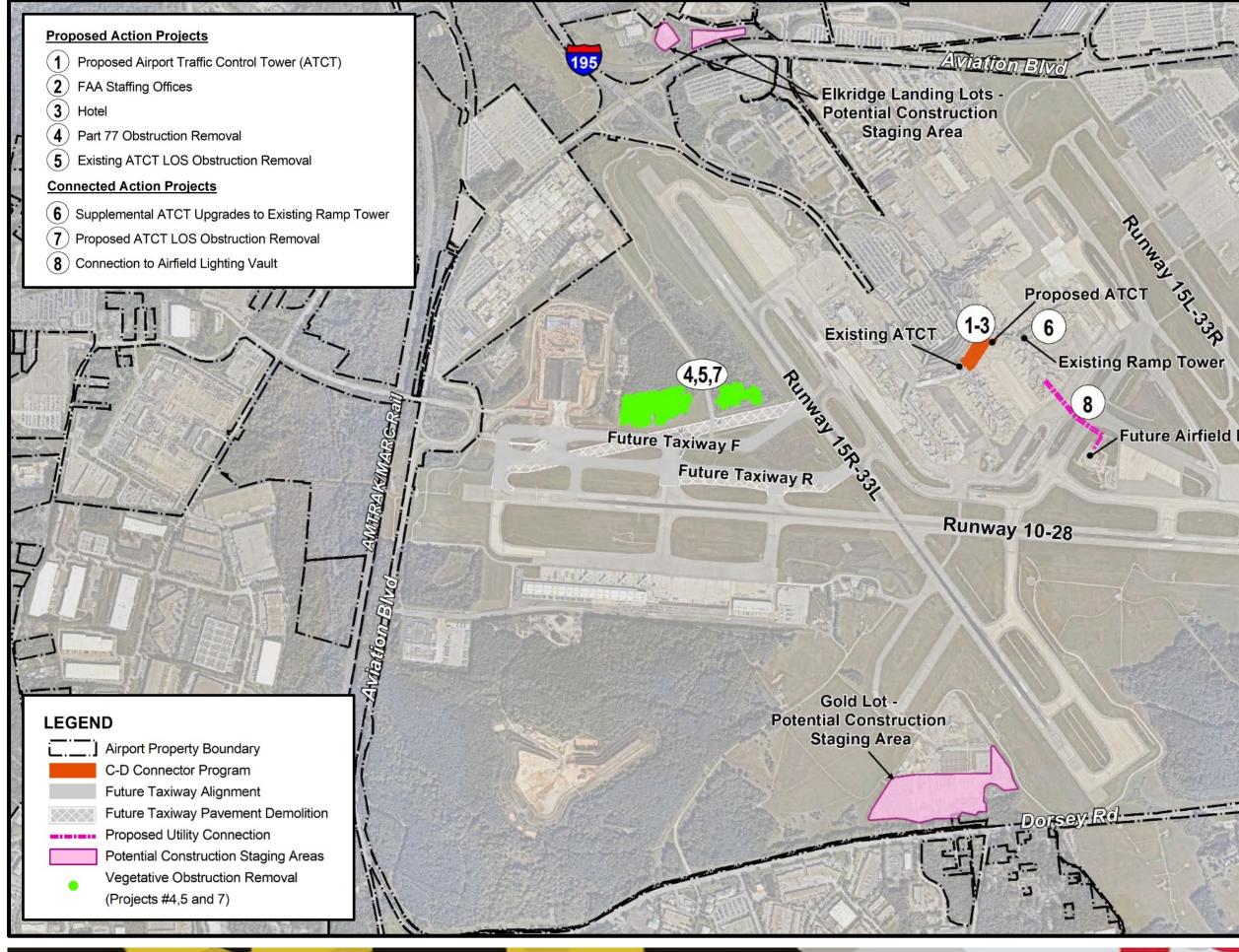


#### **DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROPOSED AIRPORT TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS** AT BALTIMORE / WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL THURGOOD MARSHALL AIRPORT

APRIL 3, 2024

	Draft Environmental Assessment
	Proposed Air Traffic Control Tower
	and Associated Improvements
Balt	timore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport Linthicum, Maryland
	Lind loant, maryland
	Prepared for:
	Maryland Aviation Administration Office of Planning and Environmental Services
	Chice of Planning and Environmental Services
	March 14, 2024
This e	nvironmental assessment becomes a Federal document when evaluated, signed, and dated by
	sponsible FAA Official.
Respo	onsible FAA Official Date





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#### Draft Environmental Assessment for Proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at Baltimore / Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport Public Workshop April 3, 2024 2:00 pm – MAC Building

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#### Attachment 6:

#### **Draft EA Public Comment Period Extension Request**

April 14, 2024

April 14, 2024

Mr. Kevin Clarke Director Office of Planning and Environmental Services Maryland Aviation Administration P.O. Box 8766 BWI Airport, MD 21240

I respectfully request an extension of time to complete the reading of the NEPA EA before I submit my comments. Thank you for your consideration.

Laura Donovan Woodlawn Heights, MD 21061

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#### Attachment 7:

#### **Draft EA Public Comment and Response Matrix**

April 15, 2024: Maryland Departing of Planning State Clearinghouse

Recommendation Letter



#### Maryland DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

April 15, 2024

Mr. Ryan Lombardi, P.E., Project Manager, Aviation Environmental Planning HNTB Corporation 2900 South Quincy Street Suite 600 Arlington, VA 22206

#### STATE CLEARINGHOUSE RECOMMENDATION

 State Application Identifier: MD20240312-0174
 Applicant: HNTB Corporation and Maryland Department of Transportation
 Project Description: Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment: Proposed Action Includes Construction of Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) and Associated Improvements, Federal Aviation Administration Offices, and Hotel; and Removal of Part 77 Obstruction and Line-of-Sight Obstructions for Existing ATCT and Completed Future Taxiway at Baltimore Washington International Airport (BWI)
 Project Address: BWI Airport, 7050 Friendship Road, Baltimore, MD 21240
 Project Location: Anne Arundel County
 Approving Authority: U.S. Department of Transportation DOT/FAA
 Recommendation: Consistent

Dear Mr. Lombardi:

In accordance with Presidential Executive Order 12372 and Code of Maryland Regulation 34.02.02.04-.07, the State Clearinghouse has coordinated the intergovernmental review of the referenced project. This letter constitutes the State process review and recommendation. This recommendation is valid for a period of three years from the date of this letter.

Review comments were requested from the <u>Maryland Departments of General Services</u>, <u>Natural Resources</u>, <u>Transportation</u>, and the Environment; <u>Anne Arundel County</u>; and the <u>Maryland Department of Planning</u>, including the <u>Maryland Historical Trust</u>. The <u>Maryland Departments of General Services</u>, and <u>Natural Resources did not have</u> comments; and the <u>Maryland Department of the Environment did not provide comments</u>.

The Maryland Department of Transportation; Anne Arundel County; and the Maryland Department of Planning, including the Maryland Historical Trust found this project to be consistent with their plans, programs, and objectives.

The Maryland Historical Trust has determined that the project will have "no adverse effect" on historic properties and that the federal and/or State historic preservation requirements have been met.

The Maryland Department of Planning provided the following comments: "Consistent with the state planning vision of Transportation: 'A well-maintained, multimodal transportation system, facilitates the safe, convenient, affordable, and efficient movement of people, goods, and services within and between population and business centers."

Mr. Ryan Lombardi, P.E. April 15, 2024 Page 2 State Application Identifier: **MD20240312-0174** 

Anne Arundel County provided the following comments:

"Rec and Parks [DRP]- 7050 Friendship Rd. is the main airport road, and DRP does not see an immediate impact on DRP-maintained facilities. However, the BWI trail, a state and county-maintained asset, is around the airport. DRP would ask that any forthcoming design work limit construction impacts on the trail or not increase water runoff to the trail.

DPW [Department of Public Works]- 3.7.2 Solid Waste

The Millersville Landfill, located five miles south of BWI Marshall Airport, is the permitted solid waste facility capable of disposing of solid waste from the proposed improvements at BWI Marshall Airport. See Section 3.7.3, Pollution Prevention for discussion of MAA [Maryland Aviation Administration] solid waste management and recycling programs.

While this section is true, we'd like to see it removed or amended. We are operating a municipal solid waste landfill. Construction and demolition debris likely to be removed from the airport property as a result of development is more appropriately directed to other facilities, preferably for recovery/reuse. A list is available at

https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/land/SolidWaste/Documents/Permitted\_Facilities\_Contact\_List.pdf.

DPW- Hotel Site #5 fronts on Hanover Road which is proposed for improvements in the future. If this site is pursued additional discussions will be warranted regarding needs for roadway improvements and right of way.

From the information provided in Table 1.1, it appears that BWI-Marshall will increase enplaned passengers by 82% from 2022 to 2037. Can MAA provide future water demand projection, so that DPW can ensure that there will be adequate water supply for the airport in the future?"

The State Application Identifier Number must be placed on any correspondence pertaining to this project.

Please remember, you must comply with all applicable state and local laws and regulations. If you need assistance or have questions, contact the State Clearinghouse staff person noted above at 410-767-4490 or through e-mail at sylvia.mosser@maryland.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation with the MIRC process.

Sincerely,

Jason Dubow, Manager Resource Conservation and Management

MB:SM

cc: U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT/FAA) Tony Redman - DNR Tyson Byrne - MDOT Karl Munder - MDE Tanja Rucci - DGS

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#### Draft Environmental Assessment for Proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport <u>Public and Agency Comments</u>

Reviewer	Date	Page/Section	Comment	Response	Status
1 Maryland Department of Planning	4/15/24	General	In accordance with Presidential Executive Order 12372 and Code of Maryland Regulation 34.02.02.0407, the State Clearinghouse has coordinated the intergovernmental review of the referenced project. This letter constitutes the State process review and recommendation. This recommendation is valid for a period of three years from the date of this letter.		
			Review comments were requested from the Maryland Departments of General Services, Natural Resources, Transportation, and the Environment; Anne Arundel County; and the Maryland Department of Planning, including the Maryland Historical Trust. The Maryland Departments of General Services, and Natural Resources did not have comments; and the Maryland Department of the Environment did not provide comments.		
			The Maryland Department of Transportation; Anne Arundel County; and the Maryland Department of Planning, including the Maryland Historical Trust found this project to be consistent with their plans, programs, and objectives.	Comment noted.	No change.
			The Maryland Historical Trust has determined that the project will have "no adverse effect" on historic properties and that the federal and/or State historic preservation requirements have been met.	Comment noted.	No change.
			The Maryland Department of Planning provided the following comments: "Consistent with the state planning vision of Transportation: 'A well-maintained, multimodal transportation system, facilitates the safe, convenient, affordable, and efficient movement of people, goods, and services within and between population and business centers."	Comment noted.	No change.
			Anne Arundel County provided the following comments:		
			"Rec and Parks [DRP]- 7050 Friendship Rd. is the main airport road, and DRP does not see an immediate impact on DRP-maintained facilities. However, the BWI trail, a state and county-maintained asset, is around the airport. DRP would ask that any forthcoming design work limit construction impacts on the trail or not increase water runoff to the trail.	Proposed Action projects will not impact the BWI Trail. At the time of design for Airport projects, stormwater design will adhere to MDE guidelines and regulations.	No change.
			DPW [Department of Public Works]- 3.7.2 Solid Waste The Millersville Landfill, located five miles south of BWI Marshall Airport, is the permitted solid waste facility capable of disposing of solid waste from the proposed improvements at BWI Marshall Airport. See Section 3.7.3, Pollution Prevention for discussion of MAA [Maryland Aviation Administration] solid waste management and recycling programs.	Text revised to note that the Millersville Landfill is the facility permitted for solid waste coming from the Airport, but that construction debris is the responsibility of the contractor: "The Millersville Landfill, located five miles south of BWI Marshall	Text revised.
			While this section is true, we'd like to see it removed or amended. We are operating a municipal solid waste landfill. Construction and demolition debris likely to be removed from the airport property as a result of development is more appropriately directed to other facilities, preferably for recovery/reuse. A list is available at <a href="https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/land/SolidWaste/Documents/Permitted Facilities">https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/land/SolidWaste/Documents/Permitted Facilities</a> Contact List.pdf	Airport, is the permitted solid waste facility capable of disposing of solid waste from the Airport. Disposal of construction debris is the responsibility of the contractor and included within the capital contract	

#### Draft Environmental Assessment for Proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport Public and Agency Comments

DPW- Hotel Site #5 fronts on Hanover Road which is proposed for improvements in the future. If this site is pursued additional discussions will be warranted regarding needs for roadway improvements and right of way.	Hotel Site #5 is not being pursued and is not carried forward as part of the Proposed Action.	No change
From the information provided in Table 1.1, it appears that BWI-Marshall will increase enplaned passengers by 82% from 2022 to 2037. Can MAA provide future water demand projection, so that DPW can ensure that there will be adequate water supply for the airport in the future?"	As described in Section 1.3.1, <i>Need</i> , the Proposed Action is not connected to Airport Activity levels. DPW may contact MAA Director of Planning for discussion of future water demand at BWI Airport.	No change
The State Application Identifier Number must be placed on any correspondence pertaining to this project.	Comment noted.	No change
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