

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR  
RUNWAY 18-36 REHABILITATION**

**AT**

**MYRTLE BEACH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA**

The Horry County Departments of Airports (HCDA), in coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the permanent full depth and width runway pavement rehabilitation of Runway 18-36 at the Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR), in Horry County, South Carolina. Pursuant to Title 49, United States Code, § 47106(c)(1)(A) and Section 102(2)(c) of the *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969*, the Draft EA is being circulated for review and comment from the public and federal, state, and local agencies.

Comments from the federal, state, and local agencies and the public will be considered part of the Final EA. The Final EA will be submitted to the FAA for the agency's environmental determination.

**Proposed Development Project:** The HCDA proposes the permanent full depth and width runway pavement rehabilitation of Runway 18-36 (Proposed Project). Connected actions to the Proposed Project include the construction of a 6,800-foot-long temporary runway that would be situated between Runway 18-36 and the full parallel Taxiway B to be used during the rehabilitation of Runway 18-36. In addition, the HCDA proposes the construction of taxiway connectors (B3 and B4), 30-foot wide temporary runway shoulders, runway edge lighting, and stormwater system improvements. The temporary runway would originate at taxiway connector B5 and terminate at taxiway connector B2. After Runway 18-36 rehabilitation is complete, the temporary runway would be converted into a taxiway.

**Summary of Impacts:** A Draft EA has been prepared to disclose the potential economic, social, and environmental impacts of the Proposed Project. The EA discusses the Proposed Project, alternatives, and potential environmental effects in areas including Air Quality and Climate, Biological Resources, Hazardous Materials, Solid Waste, and Pollution Prevention, Natural Resources and Energy Supply, Noise and Noise-Compatible Land Use, Socioeconomics and Environmental Justice, Visual Effects, and Water Resources – Surface Waters. The research and analysis provided in the EA concluded that none of the impacts were significant.

**Draft EA Availability:** The Draft EA is available for public review on the Airport's website <https://www.flymyrtlebeach.com/> and at the following locations:

Myrtle Beach International Airport  
Administration Offices  
1100 Jetport Rd  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Chapin Memorial Library  
400 14th Avenue North  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

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**How to Comment:** Comments on the Draft EA should focus on the Proposed Project's economic, social, and environmental effects. Electronic comments may be sent to David Alberts ([David.Alberts@rsandh.com](mailto:David.Alberts@rsandh.com)) or Breck Dunne ([dunneb@horrycountysc.gov](mailto:dunneb@horrycountysc.gov)). Written comments can be mailed to either of the recipients below:

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Jacksonville, FL 32256

Horry County Department of Airports  
Attn: Mr. Breck Dunne, Director of Airport Development  
1100 Jetport Road  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

The public comment period is 30 days and will begin on **April 9, 2024** and will close on **May 9, 2024**. Electronic and hand-delivered comments must be received before 5:00 pm Eastern Standard Time on **May 9, 2024**. Mailed comments must be postmarked no later than **May 9, 2024**.

Be advised that all comments can only be accepted with the full name and address of the individual commenting. All comments received, including personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The HCDA will host a **Draft EA Public Workshop** on **Tuesday, May 14, 2024** from **5 pm to 7 pm** at the **Myrtle Beach International Airport, FIS Conference Room, Terminal B, 1100 Jetport Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577**. The workshop will solicit comments regarding the Proposed Project and discuss the potential environmental impacts with HCDA and its consultant (RS&H, Inc.). Attendees can park in the Short Term Parking Lot and bring their parking ticket to the meeting to be validated for free parking.