



**Date of Notice:** February 7, 2019

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A  
PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
AND SCOPING MEETING  
PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

**PUBLIC NOTICE:** The City of San Diego as the Lead Agency has determined that the project described below will require the preparation of a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This Notice of Preparation of a PEIR and Scoping Meeting was publicly noticed and distributed on February 7, 2019. This notice was published in the SAN DIEGO DAILY TRANSCRIPT and placed on the City of San Diego website at:

<http://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/officialdocs/notices/index.shtml>, and on the Planning Department website at:

<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/programs/ceqa>

**SCOPING MEETING:** The City of San Diego Planning Department will hold a public scoping on **Thursday February 21st** from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM at the Metropolitan Operations Complex (MOC II) Auditorium, located at 9192 Topaz Way, San Diego, CA 92123. **Please note that depending on the number of attendees, the meeting could end earlier than 7:30 PM.** Written comments regarding the proposed PEIR's scope and alternatives will be accepted at the meeting.

Written/mail-in comments may also be sent to the following address: **Rebecca Malone, Environmental Planner, City of San Diego Planning Department, 9485 Aero Drive, MS 413, San Diego, CA 92123 or e-mail your comments to [PlanningCEQA@sandiego.gov](mailto:PlanningCEQA@sandiego.gov) with the Project Name in the subject line** no later than March 9, 2019. Responsible agencies are requested to indicate their statutory responsibilities in connection with this project when responding. A PEIR incorporating public input will then be prepared and distributed for public to review and comment.

**PROJECT NAME:** Montgomery-Gibbs Executive Airport Master Plan  
**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Kearny Mesa  
**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** Districts 6 and 7

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City of San Diego owns and operates the Montgomery-Gibbs Executive Airport (MYF) as a General Aviation (GA) airport located within the Kearny Mesa community north of Aero Drive, east of SR-163, south of Balboa Avenue, and west of Ruffin Road (Attachment 1, *Project Location*). Airport planning occurs at the national, state, regional, and local level; and in 2017, the City began developing an Airport Master Plan (Project) to determine the extent, type, and schedule of development needed. An Airport Master Plan presents the community and airport's vision for a 20-year strategic development plan based on the forecast of activity. It is used as a decision-making tool and is intended to complement other local and regional plans. The Airport Master Plan consists of a report documenting existing conditions of the airport, a forecast of activity, facility requirements (the airport's needs based on the forecast and compliance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Design Standards for airports), development and evaluation of alternatives to meet those needs, and a funding plan for that

development. The Airport Master Plan also includes an Airport Layout Plan (ALP) which graphically depicts all planned development at the airport within the 20-year planning period as determined in the Airport Master Plan. This drawing requires approval by the FAA, which makes the airport eligible to receive federal funding for airport improvements and maintenance under the FAA's Airport Improvement Program.

As shown on Attachment 2, *Proposed Airport Plan*, the Project would involve both landside and airside components. The landside components include a hangar site within the westernmost portion of the airport. The Airport Master Plan identifies up to 92 new hangars, as well as space for 48 new tie-down areas. Some of the smaller hangars would be designed to meet a demand for luxury hangars. Implementation of several of the larger 75,000 square-foot (sf) hangars would require modification of the hotel leasehold. Also, within the westernmost area are the three existing structures which will be evaluated as part of the PEIR for their historic potential. A 6,000 sf expansion to the existing terminal building is proposed (due to a deficit of space), along with other improvements such as a public viewing area (outside the fence line), aircraft wash racks, and a self-service fueling facility (fuel island). As denoted by the green hatch on Attachment 2, there are several areas of the airport that are subject to private leases which are not a part of the Project. In addition, the expansion of the San Diego Fire Department station within airport property is a separate City of San Diego project that is not a part of the Project to be analyzed in the PEIR.

Airside improvements proposed by the Airport Master Plan include removal of pavement at the end of Runway 5 and Taxiway Foxtrot, along with reconfigurations of several other taxiways (refer to Attachment 2). Construction of a new taxiway Delta and new run-up areas is also proposed. The main airside improvement proposed is the removal of the Runway 28R displaced threshold which was put into place by City of San Diego Resolution R-280194 passed in 1992. The resolution was intended to limit the size of aircraft capable of operating at MYF by reducing the amount of runway available when landing to the west. This would result in the threshold being moved 1,200 feet from approximately the location of Taxiway Bravo, eastward to Taxiway Alpha. This component would move safety areas such as the Runway Protection Zone (RPZ) and approach surfaces, as well as require associated improvements such as relocation of glideslope and related equipment. As part of this project, the City will also request from the FAA that an approximately 4-acre area adjacent to Aero Drive and Glenn H Curtis Road be converted to "Non-Aeronautical Land Use"

**APPLICANT:** City of San Diego, Airports Division

**RECOMMENDED FINDING:** Pursuant to Section 15060(d) of the CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project may result in significant environmental impacts in the following areas: **Air Quality, Biological Resources, Energy Conservation, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Historical Resources (Built-Environment, Archaeology, and Tribal Cultural Resources), Health and Safety, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use, Noise, Paleontological Resources, Public Services and Facilities, Public Utilities, Transportation/Circulation, and Visual Effects and Neighborhood Character.**

**AVAILABILITY IN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT:** To request this Notice in alternative format, call the Planning Department at (619) 235-5200 OR (800) 735-2929 (TEXT TELEPHONE).

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** For environmental review information, contact **Rebecca Malone at (619) 446-5371**. For information regarding public meetings/hearings on this project, contact the Airport Program Manager, **Wayne Reiter, at (858) 573-1436**. This Notice was published in the SAN DIEGO DAILY TRANSCRIPT and distributed on February 7, 2019.

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