



Progress Report

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Subject Dual Track Process Progress Report

HNTB Project No. 40005
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Two Phase Project

The goal of Phase One was to determine the best off-airport and the best on-airport option to resolve the issues facing the Brookings Regional Airport. The goal of Phase Two (just now beginning) is to compare the best off and on airport options to each other through a formal environmental process.

Current Status

Alternative Selection

A preferred new airport area has been identified and two preliminary layouts have been created. The on-airport option has also been refined. Phase One has completed and work is beginning on Phase Two (Environmental Assessment). Both the on-site and off-site alternatives may change as the EA progresses, depending on what issues are uncovered as part of the EA.

Meetings / Open Houses

A briefing to the Airport Board was held on April 19th, a presentation to the South Dakota Department of Transportation Aeronautics Commission was given on May 22nd, a Dual Track Advisory Committee meeting was held on May 24th, and a public open house was held on June 4th.

Phase Two Schedule

As part of the EA process, various local, state and federal agencies will be contacted for coordination and review. This coordination and review could result in delays in getting the draft EA published. The current schedule calls for a draft EA to be published in December of this year. The draft EA will be made available for public comment and a public hearing on the document will be held.