



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 (now underway) is to compare the best off and on airport options to each other through a formal environmental process.

Current Status

Phase One has completed and Phase Two (Environmental Assessment) is underway with both on and off site alternatives under consideration. These alternatives will be refined as the EA progresses, depending on what issues are uncovered as part of the EA. The refined alternatives will be presented at the next public open house.

The majority of work on the EA to this point has been focused on developing the purpose and need statement and beginning coordination with the FAA and other agencies.

As part of the EA process, various local, state and federal agencies are being 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.