



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Great Lakes Region
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The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is preparing an Environmental Assessment to evaluate the effects of the proposed Airport Terminal Area Plan and changes to air traffic procedures at Chicago O'Hare International Airport. The FAA is seeking early involvement and consultation with Federal, state, and local government agencies and officials as well as members of the public regarding this Environmental Assessment.

The Environmental Assessment's analysis will determine whether the proposed projects have the potential to significantly affect various environmental resources, such as noise, air quality, water resources, and historic facilities.

A Notice of Intent to prepare the Environmental Assessment appears on May 25, 2021 in the Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Sun-Times, the Daily Herald, Journal and Topics, La Raza, and Reflejos.

The Environmental Assessment will analyze actions proposed by the Chicago Department of Aviation, including: terminal projects, on-airport hotels, airfield and taxiway improvements not required by the terminal projects, and support facilities that are not required by the terminal projects.

The Environmental Assessment will also evaluate air traffic actions proposed by the FAA of making permanent the previously approved temporary offset approaches to Runway 10R/28L. The offset approaches allow for the use of simultaneous approaches to three runways, and enable previously approved simultaneous approaches to four runways in the future.

The FAA invites you to participate in the scoping process to provide input on the range of issues that will be considered in this Environmental Assessment. Scoping materials outlining the proposed projects and actions, alternatives, and purpose and need are now available at http://www.faa.gov/airports/great_lakes/TAPandATEA. The scoping comment period occurs for 45 days and ends on July 9, 2021. You can submit scoping comments via:

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Scoping comments will be most beneficial to the FAA and the Environmental Assessment process if they focus on the proposed projects, the scope of analysis in the Environmental Assessment, and the alternatives to the proposed projects. Comments must be postmarked or submitted online or via voicemail by midnight Central time on July 9, 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy B. Hanson".

Amy B. Hanson
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