

APPENDIX I
CONSULTATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

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This appendix contains email correspondence with agencies that were consulted as part of the Environmental Assessment as well as a summary report of the virtual public scoping meeting conducted as part of the Environmental Assessment.

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Zinn, Brian

To: Shunk, Kevin
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Subject: Agency Interest Letter - AUS Airport Expansion & Development Program Environmental Assessment

Zinn, Brian

Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 9:16 AM
To: Zinn, Brian
Cc: Johnston, Liz
Subject: RE: Agency Interest Letter - AUS Airport Expansion & Development Program Environmental Assessment
Attachments: Watershed RFC Letter 10.11.21 kas.pdf

Brian,

Liz and I have reviewed the scope document that you sent.

I have two comments that are on page 25 (see file attached). The first one deals with evaluating the floodplain impacts to the regulatory models not the current effective FEMA model. For the second comment, I believe that it should be an item in the scope for CDM to determine if a CLOMR is required instead of the scope itself determining that a CLOMR will not be submitted to FEMA.

Regarding Liz's comments, she provides the following: Since their EA will be for the purposes of complying with NEPA and not CoA requirements, I don't anticipate making any comments to their scope of work. They will of course need to comply with CoA requirements for any new development, and some of the proposed projects have the potential to impact Critical Water Quality Zones and Critical Environmental Features, but those details can be worked out later.

Thanks for letting us review the document. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Thanks for the forward Kevin. Appreciate you both taking a look at it.

Thanks,



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Subject: FW: Agency Interest Letter - AUS Airport Expansion & Development Program Environmental Assessment

Liz,

Please see the email from Aviation below. I have not looked at the document in detail, but I think you would be the primary person/group to provide input directly to Aviation.

Brian,

Liz Johnston is the department's Deputy Environmental Officer and I think it would be appropriate for her to review the document in addition to me. Thanks

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Good afternoon,

The City of Austin Department of Aviation, in coordination with the FAA, is conducting an Environmental Assessment to support the upcoming Airport Expansion & Development Program (AEDP) at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport. As part of the Environmental Assessment process, we're reaching out to local and state agencies to request comments on the attached scope of work.

Please review the attached document and respond if you have any questions or comments. If you are not the correct person in your department to be reviewing the document, please forward to whomever would be the appropriate person.

A response to this email confirming receipt is appreciated. If no response is received to this email acknowledging receipt, a paper copy of the attached document will be sent via certified mail to your office.

Sincerely,



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Subject: Agency Interest Letter - AUS Airport Expansion & Development Program Environmental Assessment

This Correspondence sent to nprociuk@baereng.com on 09-22-2021

Re: Project Review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and/or the Antiquities Code of Texas

THC Tracking #202115104

Date: 09/22/2021

Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUS) 2030 Expansion
3600 Presidential Blvd
Austin, TX 78719

Description: The Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUS) 2030 Expansion project is intended to resolve several problems with the existing passenger terminal building.

Dear Nadya Prociuk:

Thank you for your submittal regarding the above-referenced project. This response represents the comments of the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission (THC), pursuant to review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Antiquities Code of Texas.

The review staff, led by Tiffany Osburn, Justin Kockritz, has completed its review and has made the following determinations based on the information submitted for review:

Above-Ground Resources

- THC/SHPO concurs with information provided.
- No historic properties are present or affected by the project as proposed. However, if historic properties are discovered or unanticipated effects on historic properties are found, work should cease in the immediate area; work can continue where no historic properties are present. Please contact the THC's History Programs Division at 512-463-5853 to consult on further actions that may be necessary to protect historic properties.

Archeology Comments

- THC/SHPO concurs with information provided.
- An archeological survey is required. You may obtain lists of archeologists in Texas through the [Council of Texas Archeologists](#) and the [Register of Professional Archaeologists](#). Please note that other qualified archeologists not included on these lists may be used. If this work will occur on land owned or controlled by a state agency or political subdivision of the state, a Texas Antiquities Permit must be obtained from this office prior to initiation of fieldwork. All fieldwork should meet the [Archeological Survey Standards for Texas](#). A report of investigations is required and should be produced in conformance with the Secretary of the [Interior's Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation](#) and submitted to this office for review. Reports for a Texas Antiquities Permit should also meet the [Council of Texas Archeologists Guidelines for Cultural Resources Management Reports](#) and the [Texas Administrative Code](#). In addition, any buildings 45 years old or older that are located on or adjacent to the tract should be documented with photographs and included in the report. To facilitate review and make project information available through the Texas Archeological Sites Atlas, we appreciate emailing survey area shapefiles to archeological_projects@thc.texas.gov concurrently with submission of the draft report. Please note that this is required for projects conducted under a Texas Antiquities Permit.

We have the following comments: THC concurs that Austin Bergstrom International Airport, including resources associated with the former Bergstrom Air Force Base, is not eligible for listing in the National Register. THC also concurs that the Moore's Crossing Historic District was listed in the National Register in 1996 and is located within the 65dBA noise contour, but will not be affected by the project as proposed.

We look forward to further consultation with your office and hope to maintain a partnership that will foster effective historic preservation. Thank you for your cooperation in this review process, and for your efforts to preserve the irreplaceable heritage of Texas. If the project changes, or if new historic properties are found, please contact the review staff. If you have any questions concerning our review or if we can be of further assistance, please email the following reviewers: tiffany.osburn@thc.texas.gov, justin.kockritz@thc.texas.gov.

This response has been sent through the electronic THC review and compliance system (eTRAC). Submitting your project via eTRAC eliminates mailing delays and allows you to check the status of the review, receive an electronic response, and generate reports on your submissions. For more information, visit <http://thc.texas.gov/etrac-system>.

Sincerely,



for Mark Wolfe, State Historic Preservation Officer
Executive Director, Texas Historical Commission

Please do not respond to this email.



Austin-Bergstrom
International Airport

Virtual Public Scoping Meeting Summary

Public Meeting at-a-Glance

Attendance: 80

Key Comments: 3

Meeting Tone: Positive Reception

Action Items:

- Respond to Public Questions/Comments

Background

According to FAA Order 1050.1F, scoping for an Environmental Assessment is an optional task. However, given the magnitude of the Proposed Action and to capitalize on the momentum from previous scoping efforts during the development of the Department of Aviation's Master Plan, it was recommended that a scoping session be held.

Approach and Logistics for Virtual Public Scoping Meeting

Adisa Communications provided coordination, logistics support, and facilitation of a Virtual Public Scoping meeting with the general public. The Virtual Public Scoping session was scheduled during evening hours to maximize attendance by the general public. Adisa Communications prepared a Notice of Preparation for publication in a local newspaper at least 30 days prior to the virtual scoping meetings. The City of Austin's Department of Aviation reviewed, edited and placed the Notice of Preparation to be published in the local newspaper and online at speakupaustin.org. In addition to the public notices posted in the Austin-American Statesman and La Voz, the notice was published online in the City of Austin's Department of Aviation monthly newsletter, Stay in Tune, which was sent to 49,702 contacts.

The virtual scoping meeting was held using Zoom Webinar with live streaming on the City of Austin's Department of Aviation PublicInput.com page.

Collateral Materials for Virtual Scoping Meeting

The following collateral materials were used to alert the public of the Virtual Public Scoping Meeting:

- Online landing page for meeting via PublicInput.com
- Public Scoping Meeting Invitation sent via email to stakeholder list
- Advertisement published in Austin-American Statesman and La Voz
- PowerPoint Presentation

- Yard Signs placed in communities adjacent to airport

Goals

The primary goals of the Virtual Public Scoping meeting was to notify, inform and alert the public of the preparation of the Environmental Assessment. The secondary goal was to provide status updates about the requirements, research and timeline of the Environmental Assessment process. In addition, the Virtual Public Scoping meeting was designed to provide the public with the opportunity to share feedback on environmental resource categories like geology, water quality, biological resources, and more to help guide what will be included in the Environmental Assessment.

Meeting Overview

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the meeting was held virtually.

The Virtual Public Scoping meeting consisted of a formal presentation to the attendees followed by a session for the public to ask questions using features in a Zoom Webinar and Public Input to provide feedback regarding the scope of the Environment Assessment.

The Virtual Public Scoping meeting agenda started at 6:02 pm on Thursday, September 9, 2021 with accessibility instructions for Spanish interpretation, closed captioning and general housekeeping overview highlighting various options for attendee participation and how to share feedback during the live meeting. The agenda included Project Team + Partners Introductions. Brian Zinn (AUS)) and Dave Full (RS+H) were presentation speakers. The Environmental Assessment project team leads (Brian and Dave) introduced themselves to the public and made themselves available during the meeting to answer questions specific to the scoping phase and process. Rah Shakir (Adisa Communications) was the moderator. Spanish Language interpretation was provided by Larissa Davila (Adisa Communications). Damian Pantoja and Angela Ward (both Adisa Communications) were the Q & A monitors.

Brian Zinn (AUS) provided an overview of the Airport and Expansion Development Program (AEDP) highlighting the purpose and need of the project as well as a list of proposed improvements. Dave Full (RS&H) provided an overview of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Process to include a review of applicable federal charters and description of the required eighteen (18) environmental resource categories that could impact the Environmental Assessment. The Virtual Public Scoping meeting was also designed with designated time allotted at the end of the presentation for a question and answer (Q&A) segment and request for public comments.

To culminate the meeting, City of Austin's Department of Aviation social media handles for Twitter, Facebook and Instagram were provided. Lastly, links to additional informational resources were provided to learn more about AEDP and Environment Affairs, or to track the progress of the Environmental Assessment process.



*Picture of presentation slide from Virtual Scoping Meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2021

Marketing/Promotion

AUS Environmental Assessment

AUS VIRTUAL PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
Thursday, Sept. 9th, 2021
6:30-7:30PM

ONLINE VIA ZOOM:
www.SpeakUpAustin.org/AUS-EA

Austin-Bergstrom International Airport

*Photo of Yard Sign for Public Outreach

Yards Signs were used to alert the community about the Scoping Meeting Yard signs and were strategically placed throughout neighborhoods, public intersections, and adjacent areas to the AUS proximity.

[List of Yard Sign Locations](#)

Video Recording

<https://youtu.be/xreTX6nplt8>

Public Input

The Virtual Public Scoping meeting was livestreamed on the City of Austin's Department of Aviation PublicInput.com account as well as PublicInput.com's official YouTube account.

<https://publicinput.com/X806#>

[Public Scoping Meeting PPT Presentation \(ENGLISH\)](#)

[Public Scoping Meeting Presentation \(SPANISH\)](#)

[Public Scoping Meeting Script \(ENGLISH\)](#)

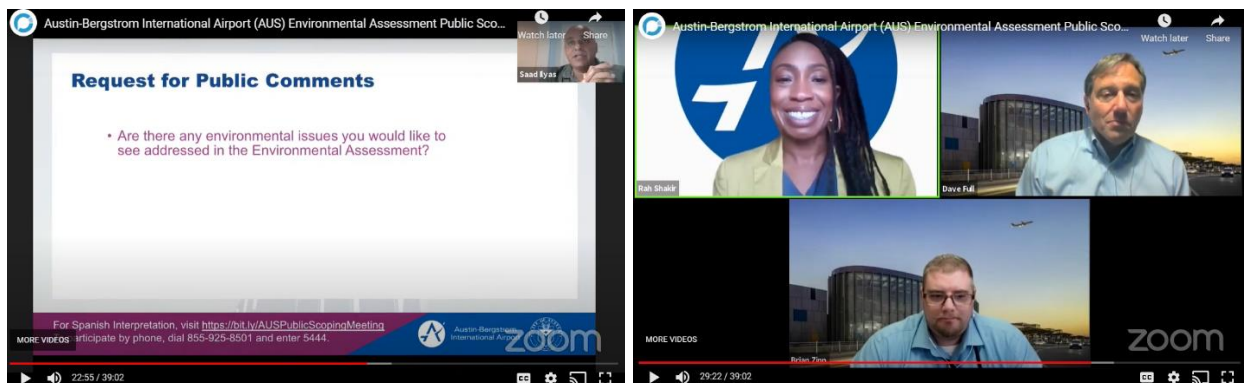
[Public Scoping Meeting Audio ONLY \(SPANISH\)](#)

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Sean Brennan	
Kane Carpenter	AUS
Grayson Cox	KSA
Josh Crawford	Garver
Larissa Davila	Adisa Communications (Interpreter)
Lyn Estabrook	AUS
Alex Fleming	
Eugene Foster	Baer
Dave Full	RS&H
Tae Gallegos	City of Austin
Karmella Green	Adisa Communications
Sam Haynes	AUS
Burton Jones	
Jamy Kanzoff	City of Austin
Lauren Litner	
Saad Ilyas	ASLPM
Jennifer Lueckemeyer	Baer
Scott Madole	
Mandy McClendon	AUS
Joseph Medici	City of Austin
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Tom Nye	
Raquel Orta	AUS
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Alan Rhames	CDM Smith

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Requests for Public Comments – September 9, 2021



*Photos of live question and answer and request for public comments segments during Virtual Public Scoping Meeting on Zoom. Pictured above (L—R) are Rah Shakir, Dave Ful and Brian Zinn.

General Comments

David Todd

Thank you for responding to my question in the forum last night. It is good to know about the diverse ways you have reached out. Nevertheless, it does seem that participation by the general public was very low. It occurs to me that one approach to getting wider engagement would be

to present the project to related citizen commissions, such as the Environmental or Planning Boards, local environmental groups such as Austin Sierra and Travis Audubon, and to the larger neighborhood associations. Has that been tried? Thanks for your work on this.

Saad Ilyas (ASLPM)

Thank you everyone for the opportunity. I'm excited about this opportunity to work with the Austin Airport.

General Questions

Are there any environmental issues you would like to see addressed in the Environmental Assessment?

Are there any environmental resource categories that are important to you? Why?

Is there any additional information regarding the project that might be added to the project description?

Audience Questions

Saad Ilyas (ASLPM)

During the NEPA Process, will there be any continuous collaboration with the FAA or Federal Government to identify any qualifications for new ground service equipment and buses that will aid the approval and identification of OTA grants?

Karmella Green

How will you use the data for Environmental Justice issues in the assessment?

David Todd

What are the plans to increase/broaden public feedback/input? I see tonight's participation is quite low and consists mostly of facilitators, presenters, and airport staff.

Project Team

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