
Federal Aviation Administration
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR
REPLACEMENT RUNWAY AND TERMINAL EXPANSION
AT
PORT COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
AGENCY SCOPING MEETING

MEETING SUMMARY
MAY 31, 2006
10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Meeting Attendees: Irene Porter, *FAA*, Katherine Jones, *FAA*, Rob Adams, *L&B*, Mark Perryman, *L&B*, Sarah Potter, *L&B*, Virginia Raps, *L&B*, Dave Wall, *CRAA*, Stacey Heaton, *CRAA*, Angela Newland, *CRAA*, John Lengel, *GSP*, Tim Arendt, *GSP*, Brian Mitch, *ODNR*, Sherry Kamke, *USEPA*, Ross Carlson, *HUD*, Greg Poston, *Airport Golf Course*, Roger Ryder, *FHWA*, Chris Gawronski, *MORPC*

1. Irene Porter, *FAA*, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and gave a brief summary of the project.
 - Contact people for the *FAA* (Katy Jones) and Consultant Team (Rob Adams).
 - All comments should be sent to Katy Jones by July 1, 2006.
2. Dave Wall, *CRAA*, welcomed everyone on behalf of the Columbus Regional Airport Authority and described the process for the airfield tour that followed the meeting.
3. Mark Perryman, Landrum & Brown, welcomed everyone on behalf of the Consultant Team.
 - Introductions were made by all attendees of the meeting.
 - Mark described the history/background of the project and the purpose and need for the project.
 - Rob Adams discussed the EIS process and the methodologies that will be followed in preparing the EIS (see attached materials for presentation)
 - The presentation will be available on the project website by June 9, 2006.

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- Ginny Raps presented information on air quality and informed the group that the air quality workshop will be held on July 19th.
 - A site tour followed the presentation where participants visited the location of the proposed runway and terminal development.
4. The following questions were asked during/after the presentation:
- Question: Chris Gawronski, *MORPC*, How detailed would you like the comments to be on the scope?
 - Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, The comments should be as detailed as possible to help determine if the level of detail contained in the scope, meets the needs of the agencies.
 - Question: Chris Gawronski, *MORPC*, What is the agency interaction expected to be during the study?
 - Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, In addition to the scoping meeting today, there are three other key milestone meetings that will be scheduled during the project:
 1. Purpose & Need and Alternatives refinement.
 2. After impact analysis on the alternatives is complete.
 3. Before the Draft EIS is published.
 - Answer: Mark Perryman, *L&B*, Vision 100's purpose was to involve the agencies throughout the process rather than just when the Draft EIS is submitted. This will help to eliminate any surprises to the agencies.
 - Question: Sherry Kamke, *USEPA*, Will there be agency specific meetings other than the stars presented in the schedule?

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- Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, Yes, we will be having the separate air quality workshop.
- Question: Sherry Kamke, *USEPA*, Will there be a separate meeting for the Purpose & Need and the Alternatives?
- Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, No, we will be having one meeting to present the Purpose & Need and the details of the alternatives.
- Question: Angela Newland, *CRAA*, Will the schedule of the meetings be on the project website?
- Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, Yes, as we decide on specific dates they will be posted on the website.
- Question: Stacey Heaton, *CRAA*, How far in advance will you notify everyone of the next meetings?
- Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, Approximately 3 weeks.
- Question: Stacey Heaton, *CRAA*, During the cumulative impact analysis when other projects are looked at, does it open up those projects for further environmental review?
- Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, No, if the projects have already been environmentally assessed, the findings do not change as a result of the cumulative assessment in this EIS.
- Question: Roger Ryder, *FHWA*, When are the public meetings being held for this project?
- Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, There will be a meeting held tonight (May 31st) and tomorrow evening (June 1st). There will be total of four more public workshops. The next will be on July 11th and 12th, one on the east and one on the west side of the airport.

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- Question: Greg Poston, *Airport Golf Course*, Was the public notified of this project?
- Answer: Rob Adams, *L&B*, Yes, advertisements were run in the local newspapers, over 300 postcards were mailed to residences involved in previous studies, news stations were notified and press releases were sent to the local news media.
- Question/Comment: Roger Ryder, *FHWA*, The public might get upset if they see there is already a planned project before the environmental process is complete. They are probably used to the Federal Highway Administration's way of conducting environmental analysis.
- Answer: Mark Perryman, *L&B*, The FAA's process is different than the FHWA's process. The FAA requires the airport to have a very detailed project planned before any environmental analysis can occur.