

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR
RUNWAY 8/26 RUNWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT
FULTON COUNTY EXECUTIVE AIRPORT, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

The Fulton County Board of Commissioners (Sponsor) in coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Runway 8/26 Runway Safety Improvements at the Fulton County Executive Airport (Airport or FTY) located in Atlanta, Georgia. The Proposed Project includes Runway Safety Area (RSA) improvements, modifications to Taxiway I, and the removal of airspace obstructions. The Draft EA is being circulated for review and comment from the public and federal, state, and local agencies.

Comments from the federal, state, and local agencies and the public would be considered by the Sponsor and FAA during preparation of the Final EA. The final EA will be submitted to the FAA for the agency's environmental determination.

Proposed Development Project: The objective of the Proposed Project is to improve the RSA within 250 feet of the Runway 8/26 centerline and at each end of Runway 8/26 to ensure that FAA enhanced safety factors are met to the maximum extent practicable. RSAs are necessary to protect the occasional off-runway excursion by aircraft and allow access by fire and rescue equipment. RSAs must be free of ruts and objects that may cause structural damage to off-runway aircraft. The required RSA dimensions for Runway 8/26 are 500 feet of width (250 feet perpendicular to each side of the runway centerline) along with 600 feet that is required prior to the landing threshold on each end and 1,000 feet that is required beyond each runway end.

RSA located perpendicular to the runway centerline would be modified to remove nonconformant ruts, depressions, and drainage structures within 250 feet of the runway centerline. Extending RSAs as paved surfaces with standard dimensions at each runway end is not practical because of constraints imposed by Fulton Industrial Boulevard to the east and Martin Luther King Jr Drive to the west. Due to these site constraints, a combination of paved surface extensions and engineered material arresting systems would be used to provide a level of safety that is equivalent to RSAs that are built to dimensional standards. Along with proposed RSA improvements that would modify and extend paved surfaces prior to the landing threshold at the ends of Runway 8/26, Taxiway I would be modified to maintain connections at the ends of Runway 8/26. An additional objective is to remove tall trees on the Runway 26 (east) end of the Airport that may obstruct aircraft and air traffic control tower visibility.

Summary of Impacts: A Draft EA has been prepared to disclose the potential economic, social, and environmental impacts of the Proposed Project. The EA discusses the Proposed Project, alternatives, and potential environmental effects in areas including Air Quality; Biological Resources; Climate; Hazardous Materials, Solid Waste and Pollution Prevention; Historical, Architectural, Archaeological, and Cultural Resources; Land Use; Natural Resources and Energy Supply; Noise and Nose Compatible Land Use; Socioeconomic Impacts, and Children's

Environmental Health and Safety Risks; Visual Effects; and Water Resources. The research and analysis provided in the EA concluded that none of the impacts were significant.

While no impacts to historic or cultural resources have been identified, the FAA consulted with the Georgia Historic Preservation Division and relevant Native American Tribes in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This notice also fulfills the Section 106 consultation requirements.

Draft EA Availability: The Draft EA is available for public review on the Airport's website <https://fultoncountyga.gov/inside-fulton-county/fulton-county-departments/public-works/airport> and at the following locations during regular business hours 8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday.

- Fulton County Executive Airport, Administrative Building, 3930 Aero Drive NW, Atlanta, GA 30336

FTY will hold a public meeting concerning the recently approved Draft EA that was prepared for the proposed Runway 8/26 Runway Safety Area Improvements Project at the Emma Darnel Aviation Museum, 3900 Aviation Circle, NW Atlanta, GA 30336. The meeting format will be open house with Consultant and FTY staff available to answer questions about the proposed project and potential environmental impacts. Written comments will be accepted. No formal presentation will be made.

How to Comment: Comments on the Draft EA should focus on the Proposed Project's economic, social, and environmental effects.

Electronic comments may be sent to:

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Written comments can be mailed to:

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The public comment period is 30 days and will begin on February 2, 2026, and will close on March 4, 2026. Electronic and hand-delivered comments must be received or have a postmark date before 5:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time on March 4, 2026. To ensure mailed comments are considered, they must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, March 4, 2026.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or any other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While individuals may request that personal identifying information be withheld from public view, the FAA cannot guarantee it will be able to do so.