

Public Notice - Fairfield County Airport - Improve Airfield Drainage

Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity

Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals, this is to give notice that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has determined that the following proposed actions are partially located in the 100-year floodplain, and the FAA will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the actions in the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the proposed actions.

The Fairfield County Airport in Lancaster, Ohio is proposing to improve its airfield drainage system by replacing failed culvert pipes, replacing asphalt pavement areas as needed, and limited ditch grading. The project will update the drainage system, allowing for more efficient drainage and reduced risks by replacing failing drainage structures. The projects will be assisted with federal funds from the FAA.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by Ben Cooley at bcooley@cmtengr.com.

A full description of the project is on display at the Fairfield County Airport terminal building or by contacting Ben Cooley, bcooley@cmtengr.com.

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