

METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

NOTICE OF DRAFT EA/EAW AVAILABILITY & PUBLIC HEARING LAKE ELMO AIRPORT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET FOR PROPOSED AIRFIELD IMPROVEMENTS

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of April 2018 in the Auditorium at the Oak-Land Middle School in Lake Elmo, Minnesota, the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) will hold a public hearing to receive testimony relative to the draft federal Environmental Assessment (EA) / state Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW). The MAC will hold the public hearing on:

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

6:00 p.m. Open House

6:30 p.m. Staff Presentation

7:00 p.m. Public Hearing

Oak-Land Middle School Auditorium

820 Manning Avenue North

Lake Elmo, MN 55042

During the EA/EAW process, the MAC and its consultant studied and analyzed the environmental impacts of proposed airfield improvements at Lake Elmo Airport. In accordance with its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requires the MAC to complete an EA to obtain federal funding for the improvements. The MAC is also responsible under State law for completing an EAW, which was completed concurrently. During the EA/EAW process, numerous environmental categories were reviewed for possible effects. In addition to direct environmental effects, the process considered the related social and economic effects. The EA/EAW process involved extensive public outreach and opportunities for public involvement, including three public information meetings and regularly convening a community panel as the draft document was developed. The results of the analysis are published in the Draft EA/EAW document, which is available for download on the project website: <https://www.metroairports.org/General-Aviation/Lake-Elmo-Environmental-Assessment/Documents-and-Links.aspx>

Written comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on April 19, 2018. Written comments can be submitted via email to ContactLakeElmoAirportEA@mspmac.org, submitted in-person at the Public Hearing, or mailed to:

Lake Elmo Airport EA/EAW Comments

c/o MAC Environment Department

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