

ACTION: Notice of Order to Show Cause (Order 2005-1-11), Dockets OST-2003-16773 and OST-2003-16774.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation is directing all interested persons to show cause why it should not issue orders finding Ameristar Air Cargo, Inc. d/b/a Ameristar Charters fit, willing, and able, and awarding it amended certificates of public convenience and necessity to engage in interstate and foreign charter air transportation of persons, property and mail.

DATES: Persons wishing to file objections should do so no later than January 25, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Objections and answers to objections should be filed in Dockets OST-2003-16773 and OST-2003-16774 and addressed to U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, (M-30, Room PL-401), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, and should be served upon the parties listed in Attachment A to the order.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vanessa R. Wilkins, Air Carrier Fitness Division (X-56, Room 6401), U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-9721.

Dated: January 11, 2005.

Karan K. Bhatia,

Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Surplus Property Release at Jack Edwards Airport, Gulf Shores, AL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to rule on land release request.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Title 49, U.S.C. Section 47153(c), notice is being given that the FAA is considering a request from the City of Gulf Shores, Alabama to release for future sale to commercial or industrial users a parcel containing 15.35 acres of surplus property, located at the Jack Edwards Airport.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 18, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this notice may be mailed or delivered in triplicate

to the FAA at the following address: Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to The Honorable Billy Duke, Mayor of Gulf Shores, Alabama at the following address: Post Office Box 299, Gulf Shores, AL 36547-0299.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Schuller, Program Manager, Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307, (601) 664-9883. The land release request may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA is reviewing a request by the City of Gulf Shores to release 15.35 acres of surplus property at the Jack Edwards Airport. The property will be sold in whole or in part to commercial users for fair market value. The property is contiguous with the existing industrial park located in the southeast corner of the airport. The net proceeds from the sale of this property will be used for airport projects approved by the FAA.

Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the request, notice and other documents germane to the request in person at the City Hall, City of Gulf Shores, Alabama.

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Rans D. Black,

Manager, Jackson Airports District Office, Southern Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environment Impact Statement; Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, Fort Lauderdale, FL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent; Notice of Scoping Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is issuing this Notice of Intent to announce publicly that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared and considered for the proposed extension of Runway 9R/27L including associated

improvements described below at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Virginia Lane, Federal Aviation Administration, Orlando Airports District Office, 5950 Hazeltine National Drive, Suite 400, Orlando, Florida 32822-5024, (407) 812-6331 extension 129.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that the FAA, in cooperation with Broward County, Florida, will prepare an EIS for a proposed project to lengthen and widen Runway 9R/27L at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport to a full length of 8,600 feet by 150 feet wide. The existing dimension of Runway 9R/27L is 5,276 feet by 100 feet, which accommodates both general aviation and commuter aircraft. The proposed project would allow commercial jet aircraft to utilize the extended runway.

An extension of the existing parallel taxiway and connecting taxiways to Runway 9R/27L is also proposed. The proposed project would entail construction activity on airport property and in Florida East-Coast Railway and Florida Department of Transportation rights-of-way (*i.e.*, site preparation, drainage, paving, marking, lighting, fencing, NAVAIDS, obstruction clearing, environmental mitigation, and other associated work required for the runway extension).

The EIS will include the evaluation of a no-build alternative and other reasonable alternatives that may be identified during the agency and public scoping meetings. The proposed runway extension would accommodate the forecast traffic at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport through the year 2017. Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport has experienced growth in aircraft activity in recent years that has led to delays in aircraft operations. The FAA's Airport Capacity Benchmark Report of 2001 identified Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport as a congested airport. The Airport Master Plan accepted on April 19, 1995, and more recently the Leigh Fisher Associates Report of November 2003 indicated that significant future airfield congestion and aircraft delay could be anticipated without some modification to the existing airfield facilities.

Increased use of the extended runway by air carrier aircraft will result in changes in runway use. The EIS will determine any noise impacts associated with changes in runway use. In addition to noise impacts, the EIS will determine