DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aircraft Access to SWIM Working Group Meeting

Meeting Announcement: Thursday, May 16, 2013, From 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. FAA Headquarters, 800 Independence Ave. SW., Washington DC 20591, Bessie Coleman Room (Second Floor).

Open Meeting

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) invites federal employees, aviation professionals and all others interested in FAA NextGen technologies to attend and participate in an Aircraft Access to SWIM Working Group Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 16, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Bessie Coleman Room (Second Floor) at the FAA Headquarters Building in Washington DC To attend and follow security procedures, participants must register for the meeting by sending an email to corey.ctr.muller@faa.gov with the following information: Name, Company, Phone Number, U.S. Citizen (Y/N), RSVPs to Corey Muller are required by COB May 1, 2013.

Aircraft Access to SWIM

The FAA’s Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) program is a comprehensive modernization of our National Airspace System (NAS). It is intended to provide new aviation capabilities for both users and operators by improving aviation safety, system capacity and throughput.

The FAA’s System Wide Information Management (SWIM) program is one of seven transformational programs of the NextGen portfolio. SWIM is designed to utilize a Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) to exchange aviation data and services without the restrictive, time consuming and expensive process of developing unique interfaces for the multitude of systems and equipment used by the NAS.

The Aircraft Access to SWIM (AAtS) initiative is the airborne component of the SWIM SOA. AAtS will allow aircraft to exchange operational information such as: weather, airport information, and other services during all phases of flight. This AAtS capability is significant in that near real time NAS data will now be available to support strategic and tactical traffic management and flight operations.

AAtS will provide aircraft with a means to obtain a common collection of aeronautical services provided from multiple sources. These sources include the FAA, DHS, NWS, and other information sources to create a shared aviation information environment. The AAtS initiative will utilize commercial air/ground network providers’ infrastructure to exchange data between aircraft and the NAS ground facilities. The FAA in collaboration with industry users will define the set of operational and technical requirements that will be used to drive that infrastructure.

The AAtS initiative will facilitate common situational awareness between the aircraft flight crews and traffic managers, which will result in better decision making and more efficient NAS operations. AAtS will work to ensure safe, secure, dependable, and hassle-free travel; while reducing energy use, emissions and the impact of aviation on the environment.

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SUMMARY:
The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application for a release of approximately 6.50 acres of airport property at the Oroville Municipal Airport (OVE), Oroville, California from all conditions contained in the Surplus Property Deed and Grant Assurances because the parcel of land is not needed for airport purposes. The land requested to be released is located outside of the airport fence along the southern boundary of the airport. The release will allow the City of Oroville (City) to sell the property at its fair market value, thereby benefiting the Airport and serving the interest of civil aviation. The City is also requesting a land-use change for approximately 13.62 acres of land adjacent to the 6.50 acres so it may be leased at its fair market value for non-aeronautical purposes to earn revenue for the airport. The proposed use will be compatible with the airport and will not interfere with the airport or its operation.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 20, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Comments on the request may be mailed or delivered to the FAA at the following address: Robert Lee, Airports Compliance Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, San Francisco Airports District Office, Federal Register Comment, 1000 Marina Boulevard, Suite 220, Brisbane, CA 94005. In addition, one copy of the comment submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Art da Rosa, Director of Public Works, 1735 Montgomery Street, Oroville, CA 95965–4897.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR 21), Public Law 106–181 (Apr. 5, 2000; 114 Stat. 61), this notice must be published in the Federal Register 30 days before the Secretary may waive any condition imposed on a federally obligated airport by surplus property conveyance deeds or grant agreements.