

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING
FOR
PROPOSED AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS
AT THE
KALAMAZOO/BATTLE CREEK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN**

The Federal Aviation Administration has authorized the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport to explore the potential environmental impacts of a 1,150-foot extension of Runway 17/35 and realignment of Taxiway C. The proposed project would extend the existing 6,502-foot runway to an overall runway length of 7,652 feet (150 feet to the north and 1,000 feet to the south) and reconfigure Taxiway C at the approach end of Runway 17. A summary of the proposed improvements include:

- Extend Runway 17 by 150 feet (north end) and extend Runway 35 by 1,000 feet (south end)
- Realign Taxiway C at the approach end of Runway 17
- Extend parallel Taxiway B to match the Runway 17/35 extension
- Relocate an existing railroad spur on the south end of the Airport, including land acquisition
- Obstruction clearing in both Runway 17 and Runway 35 approaches
- Preliminary aviation easements/land acquisition in both Runway 17 and Runway 35 approaches
- Relocate existing navigational aids
- Development of new approach procedures for Runway 17/35 to AC 150/5300-18B Standards
- Independent noise analysis to examine the need/removal of the existing noise curfew

All interested persons are advised of a public information meeting being held by the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport on **October 19th from 5:30 PM and 7:30 PM at the Air Zoo Aerospace & Science Museum located at 6151 Portage Rd, Portage, MI 49002.**

The focus of the public meeting is to discuss the findings of the recently completed noise analysis and historical evaluations. Specifically, a noise analysis was completed that evaluated potential noise impacts of extending Runway 17/35 and lifting the existing noise curfew. In addition, the State Historic Preservation Office has determined that the Bloomfield Subdivision within the Milwood Neighborhood is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as a historic district. Required tree removals in the Milwood Neighborhood will result in an adverse effect to the eligible historic district. During the meeting, project team members will be available to discuss impacts to historically eligible resources and the mitigation measures preferred by Milwood residents.

The meeting will be an open house format with no formal presentation given. The meeting is a “drop in” event, so attendees may arrive any time between 5:30 PM and 7:30 PM. The event is open to the public and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be an informal, walk-through event where individuals will have the opportunity to review maps and displays, ask questions, give feedback, and discuss the project with Airport staff and consultant team members. An opportunity to provide written comments will also be available.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during the meeting should notify Craig Williams, Airport Director, by e-mail at cawill@kalcounty.com or (269) 388-3668 at least three days prior to the meeting.

The public is encouraged to submit written comments or concerns by mail or email. Comments must be received by **November 21st** to be included in the project record. Send comments to:

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