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To: TAC & CAC Members

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Subject: Palm Beach County Park Airport (LNA) Part 150 Study - TAC/CAC Update

Dear TAC and CAC members,

This email is being sent to you in order to provide you with an update on the Palm Beach County Park Airport (LNA) Part 150 Study and next steps for the project.

Project Update:

Pursuant to the County's and the City of Atlantis' request for review of the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) order on the long-standing jet restriction at LNA before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, oral arguments in the case took place on March 15, 2022; as of today, no decision has been issued by the court. In an effort to move forward with the Part 150 during this time and after discussion with the County's legal team, the City of Atlantis and others, the Department of Airports submitted a revised forecast for the Part 150 to the FAA that included jets this past June with the hopes of ending the current delay in the study. The forecast also included language stating that the County may have to resubmit the forecast depending on the Eleventh Circuit's decision on the jet restriction. The FAA declined to approve the forecast as submitted in August. It does not appear a forecast will be approved until the conclusion of the Court's decision on the jet restriction. Approval of the forecast is a crucial step in the Part 150 process since it forms the basis of the noise exposure maps; therefore, the process technically remains on hold pending the outcome of the Court's decision.

Next Steps:

Related to the Part 150 study, the County intends to hold a workshop in mid-November with the Part 150 Study committees and other interested individuals to review potential vendors for the County's noise and operations monitoring system. The County would appreciate your input on these systems and what options the County may want to consider when a new Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued in the future. The meeting will be held on Monday, November 14, 2022 beginning at 5:30PM at the Department of Airports Administration Building (Building 846) at Palm Beach International Airport (PBI), with both an in-person and a virtual option. More details will be sent to you soon along with a method for registering for the meetings.

Finally, we would like to request you confirm your continued interest/commitment in serving on the committees by replying to rmentzer@hmmh.com; if you are not able to continue as a representative, please also let us know if another representative of your organization is willing to take your place. We hope to restart the project in earnest once the Court decision is known. Thank you.

Regards,
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