

## Northlink Cargo Facility Report Environmental Assessment May 2023 Meeting Report

FAA has issued a Draft FONSI/ROD "Finding of no Significant Impact/ Record of Decision"

The Draft FONSI/ROD is available for Public Notice

<https://www.northlinkaviation.com/project>

Comments are due May 30<sup>th</sup>

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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? The FAA will review comments and questions and provide a final decision upon adjudication of all comments and questions.

### Key Components of Environmental Assessment

- 1. Storm water run-off-** A glycol collection and recycling system will be constructed to contain de-icing fluids
- 2. PFAS-** 31 geotechnical borings, HemTrak collected samples for chemical analysis from 10 borings. No PFAS or other chemicals detected.  
"An initial investigation in October 2021 found trace compounds of some chemicals, Several samples had detections for select PFOA/PFOS compounds however, the detections were J flagged by the laboratory as the results were outside the instrument calibration range and therefore estimated. None of the samples had detections for the two ADEC regulated PFOA/PFOS compounds above cleanup criteria"
- 3. Noise** FAA Guidelines < 59 dBA No Impact Moderate Impact 59-64 dBa  
What is normal dBA level? **about 60 dba** A whisper is about 30 dB, normal conversation is about 60 dB, and a motorcycle engine running is about 95 dB. Noise above 70 dB over a prolonged period of time may start to damage your hearing. Loud noise above 120 dB can cause immediate harm to your ears.

Existing conditions; first row of houses south of undeveloped Northlink site is currently 62 dBA with existing operations, does not include Runway 32 landings, Runway 14 takeoffs

Noise Modeling; a 11-foot Berm will reduce noise by 7Dba. A 25-foot berm will be provided

"The predicted Day-Night Average Noise Level (DNL) from the new Northlink Airpark operations only (21 planes completing 42 trips) is 54 dBA. This is less than the DNL of 62 dBA from existing airport operations documented for this community."

- 4. Wetlands** Desktop Study; 1.1 acres of isolated wetlands, not connected to navigable waters  
"Conclusion; Wetlands mapped within the study area are not navigable waters, interstate waters, part of a tributary system, adjacent wetlands, or impoundments. Therefore, it is recommended that the interstate commerce nexus to these wetlands be considered insufficient to establish Clean Water Act jurisdiction."

### SLCC Recommendations;

Continued monitoring of area potable water wells for PFAS, who will be responsible for monitoring?

Post construction noise monitoring of Northlink operations, who will be responsible for monitoring?

