

## **NOTICE OF FLOODPLAIN ENCROACHMENT**

### **Reno-Tahoe International Airport (RNO) Proposed RNO South Remain Overnight (RON) Aircraft Parking Apron Project**

The Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority's (RTAA's), proposed RNO South Remain Overnight (RON) Aircraft Parking Apron involves construction of an additional 104,000 square feet or 3.28 acres of Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) aircraft parking apron pavement. The proposed project improvements will encroach upon the 500-year floodplain, as identified on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Map Service Center interactive map. This Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) classifies the majority of RNO as being within the 500-year floodplain. A map showing the location of the proposed project location and the floodplain encroachment is provided below.

The new South RON apron expansion pavement will extend the existing RON aircraft parking apron by approximately 117 feet to accommodate both existing and the commercial airline's transition to larger aircraft. The proposed project was identified in the 2023 RNO Concourse Redevelopment Study – Basis of Design Report as a critical facility addition project, to meet existing aircraft parking and support the proposed RNO Concourse Redevelopment – Reconstruction of Existing Concourses B & C Project. Work includes demolition, excavation, stabilizing fill, base, utility relocation, PCC pavement, drainage, storm drain improvements, lighting relocation, signage, marking, engineering services, and related appurtenances and all associated construction administration and construction management services. The project will relocate and reuse existing high mast lighting that serves the RON apron parking positions and the adjacent emergency access road. Excavation for the proposed RON apron expansion, utilities, and storm drain improvements will be no more than 48 inches (four feet).

The environmental review, agency consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out in accordance with FAA Orders 1050.1F, Policies and Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts, 5050.4B, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions, Executive Order 14030, Climate-Related Financial Risk, Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, and Department of Transportation Order 5650.2. Impacts to the floodplain are expected to be negligible and encroachments associated with the proposed South RON expansion would not have adverse impacts on the floodplain's natural and beneficial values, result in a high probability of loss of human life, or result in damages that could be substantial in cost or extent, including the interruption of service or loss of a vital transportation facility.

Written or email comments must be submitted by January 13, 2024. Comments or requests for a hearing for the proposed project may be submitted to:

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If a public hearing is requested, a Notice of Public Meeting pursuant to NRS 241.020 will be posted on the Reno-Tahoe International Airport's web site:

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