

Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for Improvements to Runway 12/30 and Evaluation of Adverse Impacts under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act at the Wendover Airport, Wendover, UT

Tooele County, in cooperation with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the rehabilitation of Runway 12/30 to include grading, drainage, and electrical improvements at the Wendover Airport, Wendover, UT. This EA was prepared in accordance with Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing NEPA, FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*, and FAA Order 5050.4B, *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions*, as well as applicable Executive Orders, and other applicable federal, state, and local requirements.

The DEA presents the purpose and need for the proposed project, reasonable alternatives, discussion of impacts for each alternative, and supporting appendices. In consultation with the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and Utah SHPO, the FAA has determined that a Section 106 finding of Adverse Effect is applicable as the projects have and will impact archaeological Site 27EK16689. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) outlining terms for resolution of potential adverse effects is under development. The proposed project would also result in permanent impacts to approximately 14.373 acres of wetlands and 6.007 acres of water of the U.S. will be impacted. As such, a Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) will be required.

Tooele County and the FAA are issuing this Notice of Availability to advise the public that the DEA will be available for public review beginning on June 2, 2020. The DEA may be viewed electronically at <https://tooeleco.org/tooele-county-government/county-departments/tooele-county-wendover-airport/>. Hardcopies can be requested by contacting the Wendover Airport at (435) 655-2308. The public comment period starts on June 2, 2020 and ends July 2, 2020. A public hearing may be requested in response to this notice. Please include your address, phone number, email address, or other identifying information.

Comments on the DEA can be addressed to Jviation, Inc., Attn: Morgan Einspahr, 900 S. Broadway, Suite 350, Denver, CO 80209 or morgan.einspahr@jviation.com. All comments submitted by e-mail must be received by 5:00 pm on July 2, 2020. All mailed comments must be postmarked by July 2, 2020