

5. Coordination and Public Involvement

5.1 Introduction

Under 40 CFR § 1501.4, federal agencies are required to involve environmental agencies, applicants, and the public, to the extent practicable, in preparing EAs. Therefore, when conducting the NEPA process, the FAA and the airport sponsor are encouraged to begin early coordination with the proper federal, state, tribal, and local agencies, including surrounding municipalities, to determine any possible environmental concerns as the Draft EA was prepared. The primary components of the agency coordination and public involvement program for the EA include:

- Notification of the publication of the Draft EA for agency and public review in local newspapers; and
- Preparation of a Final EA that includes responses to comments received on the Draft EA.

Keeping agencies and the public informed and gathering their input is an essential component of any environmental study. The following sections summarize the agency coordination and public involvement program for this EA.

5.2 Agency Consultation

Agency consultation was conducted by the FAA and LAWA to explain the Proposed Action and solicit comments and questions. The following agencies were consulted by the FAA and LAWA as part of the Draft EA development process:

- State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO)

SHPO concurred on the delineation of the Area of Potential Effect (APE) in a letter dated December 26, 2013. SHPO also concurred with FAA's finding of no effect on historic properties in a letter dated April 29, 2014. A copy of both of these letters is provided in Appendix B. FAA received an e-mail from one of the non-federally recognized tribes that said they would submit information. However, FAA did not receive an additional response.

5.3 Public Involvement

The Draft EA was made available for review by the general public, government agencies, and interested parties for a period of 30 days after the date the Notice of Availability (NOA) was published. The Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Draft EA for review was published on May 16, 2014. This NOA was sent to all those included on the mailing list provided by LAWA. The NOA was also published in the following newspapers: *Los Angeles Times*, *The Argonaut*, and the *Daily Breeze*. Copies of the notices and proofs of publication are provided in **Appendix H**. The NOA was also posted to the LAWA website, www.ourlax.org. Copies of the Draft EA were made available for review at the locations listed in **Table 5-1**, and included LAWA offices and the FAA Western-Pacific Regional Office in Hawthorne, California.

Table 5-1: Locations Where Draft EA is Available

LOCATION	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP CODE
FAA, Western-Pacific Region, Airports Division	15000 Aviation Boulevard	Hawthorne	90261
LAWA Administrative Offices	1 World Way, Room 218	Los Angeles	90045
El Segundo Public Library	111 W. Mariposa Avenue	El Segundo	90245
Inglewood Library	101 W. Manchester Boulevard	Inglewood	90301
Los Angeles Public Library Westchester-Loyola Branch	7114 W. Manchester Avenue	Los Angeles	90045
Playa Vista Branch Library	6400 Playa Vista Drive	Los Angeles	90094

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The Draft EA was also made available on LAWA's website at <http://www.ourlax.org>.

Anyone wishing to comment on the Draft EA was offered the opportunity to do so in writing. Written comments were accepted by **5:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT), Monday, June 16, 2014**. No comments were received by LAWA on the Draft EA during the review period.

5.4 Final EA

The Draft EA has been revised as necessary to address any inconsistencies or reflect updated information since publication of the Draft EA. The public and agencies will be notified of the availability of the Final EA for review. The Final EA will be submitted by LAWA to the FAA for their review and determination of whether to issue a Finding of No Significant Impact/Record of Decision (FONSI/ROD) or to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Copies of the Final EA will be available for review at the locations listed in Table 5-1, and include LAWA offices and the FAA Western-Pacific Regional Office in Hawthorne, California.

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