NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) ON-AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD AND UTILITIES CORRIDOR EXTENSION CECIL AIRPORT, DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

Pursuant to Title 49, United States Code, § 47106(c)(1)(A), notice is hereby given that the Jacksonville Aviation Authority (JAA), in coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), intends to develop an extension to Approach Road and utilities on the east side of the Cecil Airport (Proposed Project). The purpose of the Proposed Project is to ensure continued safe airport operations by providing reliable vehicular access and connecting a water supply utility line to the spaceport hangar and providing commercial space operators the ability to use the spaceport hangar safely.

A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) has been prepared to disclose the potential economic, social, and environmental impacts of the Proposed Project. The Proposed Project can potentially impact Biological and Coastal Resources, Hazardous Materials, Solid Waste, and Pollution Prevention, Natural Resources and Energy Supply, and Water Resources – Surface Water. Pursuant to FAA Order 1050.1F and Executive Order (EO) 11990, notice is given that the Proposed Project would affect wetlands. A portion of the Proposed Project is within a 100-year floodplain. According to FAA Order 1050.1F and EO 11988, Floodplain Management, notice is given that the Proposed Project constitutes an encroachment into the 100-year floodplain. The potential wetland and floodplain impacts and mitigation measures are described in the Draft EA.

The Draft EA is available for public examination for 30 days beginning with the publication date of this notice, on the JAA website https://www.flyjacksonville.com/cecil/content.aspx?id=543, and at the following locations: JAA Administrative Office, 14201 Pecan Park Road, Jacksonville, FL 32218; Cecil Airport 13365 Simpson Way, Jacksonville, FL 32221; and the Jacksonville Public Library Argyle Branch, 7972 Old Middleburg Road South, Jacksonville, FL 32222.

This notice provides the opportunity for a public workshop on the Proposed Project. A request for a public workshop must be received within 15 days of the original notice. The FAA will consider whether a public workshop is warranted. After comments from the public, federal, state, and local agencies are considered and responded to in the Final EA, the Final EA will be submitted to the FAA for environmental determination.

Written comments on the Draft EA should focus on the Proposed Project's economic, social and environmental effects and may be sent to David.Alberts@rsandh.com or addressed to: Mr. David Alberts, RS&H, 10748 Deerwood Park Boulevard South, Jacksonville, FL 32256 or JAA, Attn. Ms. Lauren Scott, Senior Manager of Aviation Planning, 14201 Pecan Park Road, Jacksonville, FL, 32218. Electronic and hand-delivered comments must be received no later than 5:00 pm Eastern Time 30 days from the publication date of this notice. Mailed comments must be postmarked no later than 30 days from the publication date of this notice. Be advised that all comments received, including personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.