Lakewood Airport 1900 Cedar Bridge Avenue Lakewood, NJ 08701

Notice of Availability of the Draft Short Form Environmental Assessment (EA) for Land Release and Change in Use Requests at Lakewood Airport (N12)

This notice is to advise the public of the availability of the Draft Short Form EA for a Land Release and Change in Use Requests at N12.

A Draft Short Form EA was prepared to evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with Lakewood Township's request to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for the release of 59.80 acres of airportproperty for non-aeronautical use, as well as the use of 8.30 acres of on-airport aeronautical land for nonaeronautical purposes. The proposed project would facilitate the development of commercial uses within the 68.10-acre project area. The commercial facilities are anticipated to be fully developed and operated by private investors, through the sale of the 59.80-acre parcel and the long-term lease of the 8.30-acres, which is comprised of 2.28-acre and 6.02-acre parcels. The 59.80-acre parcel is proposed to be developed with a commercial business park consisting of approximately 15 buildings for commercial or light industrial use, along with 585 associated parking spaces. Additionally, two surface parking lots are proposed on the 2.28-acre and 6.02-acre parcels, and the construction of a new access road is proposed to provide connectivity between the development area and the existing roadway network.

A Short Form EA, under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), is a concise public document that provides sufficient information and analysis for determining whether the FAA should issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or request additional review to further analyze the proposed project and its alternatives. It is designed to help public officials make decisions that are based on an understanding of the potential human and physical environmental consequences of the proposed project.

The Draft Short Form EA report is available for a 30-day public review and comment period, during which the opportunity for a Public Hearing can be requested. The document may be viewed at both Lakewood Airport (1900 Cedar Bridge Avenue, Lakewood, NJ), and the Ocean County Library (301 Lexington Avenue, Lakewood, NJ). The document may also be reviewed online at https://www.lakewoodnj.gov/.

Public comments will be accepted in writing or via email until 5:00 PM on August 15, 2025. Public comments received on the project will be submitted to the FAA for consideration and inclusion in Final EA.

Comments submitted by email should be sent to Steven Reinman, Airport Manager, at <u>sreinman@lakewoodnj.gov</u> and Danielle Rosa, DY Consultants, at <u>drosa@dyconsultants.com</u>. Comments submitted in writing should be mailed to:

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