

## **REGIONAL AVIATION SYSTEM PLAN (RASP) UPDATE**

### **Background**

H-GAC received a system planning grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to update the 1991 Regional Aviation System Plan (RASP). H-GAC completed its first RASP in 1973, with updates in 1981, 1986 and 1991. The system plan provides a framework for the integrated planning, operation, and development of the region's aviation assets consistent with regional and state transportation goals. The current RASP includes 23 airports in the 13-county H-GAC region.

The RASP update will proceed in two phases, with each phase taking approximately one-year. Phase I requires developing a study design, extensive data collection and evaluation of the current airport system. Phase II includes the detailed planning and analysis tasks to develop the aviation system plan.

### **Current Situation**

The consultant team of Quadrant Consultants (Lead), URS, Vesta Rea & Associates and TransSolutions is completing the draft report for Phase I. The Phase I report includes an inventory of the current regional aviation system, identification of issues that impact regional aviation, and goals and performance measures. Public meetings will be held September 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> at H-GAC, Sugar Land and Conroe to present the results of Phase I. Phase II of the project will begin in October, 2009.

### **Action Requested**

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