

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 15th-17th 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

For information only.