

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PREPARED TO EVALUATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PROPOSED ENNIS REPLACEMENT AIRPORT, ENNIS, TEXAS

The City of Ennis, as Sponsor for the Ennis Municipal Airport, will conduct a public hearing on April, 22, 2010, at 7:00 p. m. in the Commons Area of James Bowie Elementary School at 501 N. Jeter Drive, Ennis, Texas. The City of Ennis, Texas, as sponsor for Ennis Municipal Airport, proposes to close the existing Ennis Airport and construct a replacement airport. These projects were evaluated as part of an airport feasibility study (August 2005) and site selection study (August 2007) prepared for the City of Ennis. The Texas Department of Transportation – Aviation Division, as Agent for the City, has authorized the release of a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for public review and comment.

The proposed project will require the acquisition of two complete and 13 partial parcels. The proposed project will not require any commercial or residential relocation. The environmental studies conclude that no significant impacts will occur. The project is consistent with City planning strategies.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m., maps and other drawings showing the proposed location and layout will be displayed. The Environmental Assessment will also be available for inspection. The Environmental Assessment is on file and available for inspection and copying at the Ennis City Hall (115 W Brown St.), the Ennis Public Library (501 W. Ennis Ave.) and online at <http://www.ennis-texas.com/City%20Government/Airport.html>.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this hearing. Persons interested in attending the hearing that have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the City Manager's office at (972) 875-1234 at least two days prior to the hearing. Because the public hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two days prior to the public hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

Verbal and written comments from the public regarding this project are requested. Comments may be presented either at the hearing or in writing after the hearing. Written statements may be mailed to the Coffman Associates, Attn: Ennis Airport Project, 237 NW Blue Parkway, Suite 100, Lee's Summit, MO 64063. Comments must be received no later than 10 days following the hearing in order to be included in the public hearing record. The deadline for receipt of comments is May 24, 2010.