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FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCEMENT OF A RECORD OF DECISION ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION OF RUNWAY 9R/27L AT FORT LAUDERDALE-HOLLYWOOD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Today the Federal Aviation Administration announced its decision, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and released the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL). The ROD provides the FAA's final determinations and approvals in response to a proposal by Broward County to extend the airport's south runway (9R/27L).

The ROD documents the FAA's compliance with several procedural, substantive, and programmatic requirements of aeronautical, environmental, and related statutes and regulations that apply to the FAA's decision and ultimate action.

After years of studying the potential environmental impacts of increasing the airport's capacity to meet the demand of air traffic and reduce flight delays, the FAA has determined that extending the airport's south runway (9R/27L) to a length of 8,000 feet is the federally preferred option (Option B1B) and offers the surrounding communities the least impact.

The decision by the FAA to extend the south runway is the same physical runway layout which was approved by the Broward County Board of County Commissioner's in June 2007 and is consistent with the federally approved Airport Layout Plan.

Aviation Director Kent George states, "Broward County and the Aviation Department is committed to working with the cities of Dania Beach, Davie, Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood, and all the communities of the Greater Fort Lauderdale area, to mitigate any impacts which might affect the quality of life of the airport's neighbors".

The ROD was issued after months of analyzing what the impacts of a runway extension would have on variables such as noise, air pollutants, storm water management, wildlife, and overall quality of life to the surrounding communities.

A copy of the Decision Order is available on the airport's web site at www.fll.net. The entire document will be released to the public as soon as it has been received by the Broward County Aviation Department.

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