

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT MSP 2020 PLAN

Transportation Committee September 24, 2012

Introduction

 MSP 2030 Plan Long Term Comp Plan (LTCP) adopted in 2010, included in TPP

 Council has delegated Environmental Assessment (EA) reviews to staff

Airport expansion is controversial

Description of EA

- Evaluates environmental effects of MSP 2030 Plan
- Three alternatives
 - No-Action Alternative
 - Airlines Relocate: Delta team airlines stay in Terminal 1
 - Airlines Remain: all airlines stay in current terminals

Significant Projects

- Terminal 1 and 2 Gate Expansion
- Airside Development with Overnight Areas, increased Ramp/Apron Space
- Increase Terminal Capacity, Parking, Baggage Facilities
- Improve Landside Access (34th Av, Post Rd, Glumack Dr)

Operations/Passengers

- 2010 MSP Actual
 - 33 million passengers
 - 437,075 operations

- 2020 MSP Forecast
 - 40 million passengers
 - 484,879 operations

Roadway Improvements

 MSP is only major airport with 2 terminals using separate roadway systems

 I-494/34th Av. Interchange Upgrade in EA -2013 Construction

 Demand driven projects include upgrades to Post Rd, Glumack Dr.

Environmental Analysis (Noise)

 Action Alternatives would result in minor differences in the 65 DnL noise contour

 Noise mitigation will begin for the 60+ DnL when total annual operations reach 484,879 or the year 2020, whichever comes first

Other Impacts

 Alternatives result in minimal impacts to stormwater, air quality, wildlife, flora/fauna, etc.

Minor impacts associated with Alternatives

All impacts can be mitigated

Council Comments

Minimal comments – Many issues already addressed

EA is complete and is consistent with TPP

Council Actions

- EA Comment Only- due October 11th
- MAC CIP Review –Approval
 - Significant Projects
 - Annual approval in Dec/Jan