

# **SEA AIRPORT'S SUSTAINABLE AIRPORT MASTER PLAN (SAMP)**

### PLANNING TO ACCOMMODATE THE GROWTH OF OUR REGION

The Puget Sound region is expected to grow by another one million people by 2035. The Sustainable Airport Master Plan (SAMP) serves as a blueprint for Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) development, guiding the strategic design and development to accommodate future demand.

## SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 21

Draft NEPA EA will be published on October 21, 2024, with the public comment period ending December 5, 2024. Stay up to date with the latest on SAMP and learn how to get involved:



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In addition to considering forecasted passenger and cargo demand, SAMP takes stock of current facilities, infrastructure, and operations—looking at scenarios five, 10 and 20 years in the future. The planning work was done to align with the Port's sustainability and energy efficiency goals, including what would be built, how it would be built and how it would be operated, all in support of sustainable performance at SEA.

#### SEA by the numbers:

- 50.8 million passengers in 2023 35 Airlines 93 Nonstop domestic and 30 international destinations
- Earned the highest ranking for US airports in Skytrax's World's top 100 Airports 3 years in a row

### SEA SAMP NEAR-TERM PROJECTS ENVIRONMENT ASSESSMENT

SAMP was completed in 2018. From the SAMP, the Port identified 31 Near-Term Projects (NTPs) and completed the scoping process for the environmental review (2018). Currently, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental review is underway, with the draft NEPA document expected to be released on October 21, 2024. Once the NEPA process is complete, the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review will follow.

SAMP's recommended 31 NTPs will improve efficiency, safety, access to the airport, and support facilities for airlines and the airport. The NTPs, if approved, will be complete or under construction by 2032.

### NTPs include:

- A second terminal with 19 additional gates
- An elevated busway and stations linking the rental car facility, new terminal, and main terminal
- · Cargo facilities to accommodate the growing shipping of air freight
- Realigning airport roadways •
- Airfield updates to improve safety and efficiency •
- New parking infrastructure
- Additional facilities for sustainable aviation fuel

An environmental review is the process of evaluating a project and its potential environmental impacts. NEPA requires federal agencies to assess the environmental effects of an action and provide opportunities for public input. An Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared to determine if a federal action will have significant impacts. Any action that is not categorically excluded and does not require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), has impacts that are uncertain, or has unresolved environmental issues, requires preparation of an EA.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY TIMELINE**

2018	<b>Fall 2018:</b> Scoping
2019	<b>Early 2019 – summer 2024:</b> Development of SAMP NEPA EA documents and analysis
2020	Fall 2024: NEPA
2021	<ul> <li>September 20: 30-day notice of release of draft NEPA EA</li> </ul>
2022	October 21: NEPA documents released
2023	<ul> <li>October 21 — December 5: Agency and 45-day Public Comment Period</li> </ul>
2024	<b>Spring 2025 (early Q2):</b> NEPA EA Final Document and Decision
2025	Summer 2025 – Fall 2025 (late Q2 2025): SEPA Agency and Public Comment Period
2026	Late 2025 (Q4 2025): SEPA Final Document and Decision

# **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

The Port is committed to an accessible, comprehensible public comment process. Once the 45-day public comment period begins on October 21, 2024, members of the public will be able to review information translated into six languages and submit comments throughout the comment period at a public meeting, online, by email, or regular mail. The document will be available on our website and at public libraries in Burien, Des Moines, Federal Way, SeaTac, and more.

# **PUBLIC MEETINGS**



### SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR PUBLIC MEETINGS

Join us at our public meetings to submit public comment:

- Public meetings will be held in Burien, Des Moines, Federal Way, and SeaTac
- Public meeting dates will be November 12, 13, 14, and 16
- Specific times and locations to come

Official comments can be submitted in-person at one of the four public meetings, by email, by mail, or on the SAMP website once the public comment period opens on October 21.

See our website for the latest information: https://www.sampntpenvironmentalreview.org/



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