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HNS Airport Rehabilitation
Federal Project # 3-02-0112-XXX-20XX
State Project # SFAPT00234

Request for Comments

Dear Agency Representative:

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is proposing to rehabilitate the Haines Airport. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a description of the project and request comments regarding potential impacts to resources under your agency's jurisdiction. The project is located in Township (T) 30S, Range (R) 59E, Section (S) 29, United States Geological Survey Quadrangle Skagway A-2, Copper River Meridian. Enclosed are vicinity maps (sheet 1), site plans (Sheet 2), a ground disturbance map (sheet 3), and an East pond fill figure (sheet 4).

Purpose & Need

This project would extend the service life of the Haines Airport, improve safety for aircraft operations and taxiing, improve airport access, and improve drainage.

Project Description

The proposed project includes the following items of work:

- Rehabilitate Runway 08/26 and Taxiways A, D, E, Taxiways B and C between the hold lines and Runway 08/26.
- Reconstruct existing helipad.
- Construct a taxilane between the edge of the general aviation apron and helipad.
- Replace edge lighting, airfield directional signage, conduits, and electrical conductors. Install airfield fillets to meet current FAA standards.
- Remove and replace culverts crossing west end of Taxiway A and helipad taxiway.
- Extend culverts as required for adjusted taxiway fillets.

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- Construct a SREB (Snow Removal Equipment Building) foundation pad.
- Replace the existing rotational beacon and electrical components as well as a new foundation and tower.

Identified Resources

There are known eagle nests near the project area and the DOT&PF would determine whether an eagle permit would be necessary for the project. The proposed project is located within DOT&PF right of way and temporary construction easements may be required. There is one active hazardous waste site in the project vicinity (ID: 3986). The Yendistucky is a cultural and historic resource and Section 4(f) resource within the project boundary.

The following approximate fill amounts are proposed for the following work locations that may occur within wetlands:

- Taxilane - ~2200 cubic yards; and
- SREB - ~1100 cubic yards.

The 1100 cubic yards of fill being used for the SREB foundation would fill in a portion of anadromous stream (AWC code: 115-32-10300). Culvert work will be completed in the following streams with AWC codes: 115-32-10250-2002, 115-32-10250-3017, and 115-32-10300 which will require multiple Fish Habitat Permits from the ADF&G (Alaska Department of Fish & Game). Lakes in the vicinity of the airport (AWC codes 115-32-10250-2002-0020 and 115-32-10250-2002-0010) may also be affected by fill which will require consultation with the ADF&G.

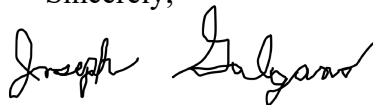
Fill placement would result in work within **waters of the US**. The project would require authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

Agency Comment Request

We request your comments about the proposed action, particularly in regard to resources under your jurisdiction. DOT&PF must also determine to what extent this project would impact **cultural or historic properties**. If you have information that would assist in these determinations, please provide it. To comply with certain interagency agreements, we also request the views of applicable agencies on potential effects to **bald eagles** and **threatened and endangered species**. Your comments would be included in the project's environmental document. We would appreciate your response by **May 19th, 2022**.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for comments. If you need any further information, please contact me by phone at 465-4509 or via e-mail at joseph.galgano@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,



Joseph Galgano

Environmental Impact Analyst

Enclosures:

- Sheet 1-Vicinity Map
- Sheet 2- Site Plans
- Sheet 3- Ground Disturbance Map
- Sheet 4- East Pond Fill Figure

Distribution List:

- Matt LaCroix, Alaska Region 10, EPA
- Becky Fauver, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Ben Soiseth, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- USACE Regulatory Program
- Douglass Cooper, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Kate Kanouse, ADF&G Habitat Division, Juneau
- Habitat Conservation Division, National Marine Fisheries Service
- Protected Resources Division, National Marine Fisheries Service
- Willow Weimer, Division of Water, DEC, Anchorage
- Julie Fix, ADEC SPR-Contaminated Sites Program
- Judy Bittner, State Historic Preservation Officer, ADNR
- Ben White, DMLW Southeast Regional Manager, DNR, Juneau
- Heidi Kattenhorn, Chilkoot Indian Association
- Brian Willard, Council Member Chilkat Indian Village
- Sealaska Corporation
- Sealaska Heritage Institute
- Douglas Olerud, Mayor, Haines Borough
- Annette Kreitzer Manager, Haines Borough
- Caitlyn Kriby, Planning Assembly Liaison, Haines Borough
- Greg Palmieri, DNR Division of Forestry
- Jordan Muir USFWS Alaska Region Migratory Bird Management Raptor and Permit Chief

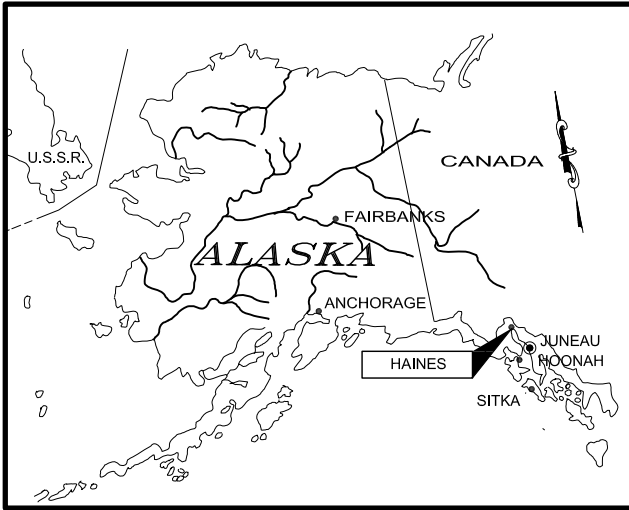
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- James Brown, DOT&PF Project Manager
- Jack Gilbertsen, FAA Lead Environmental Protection Specialist

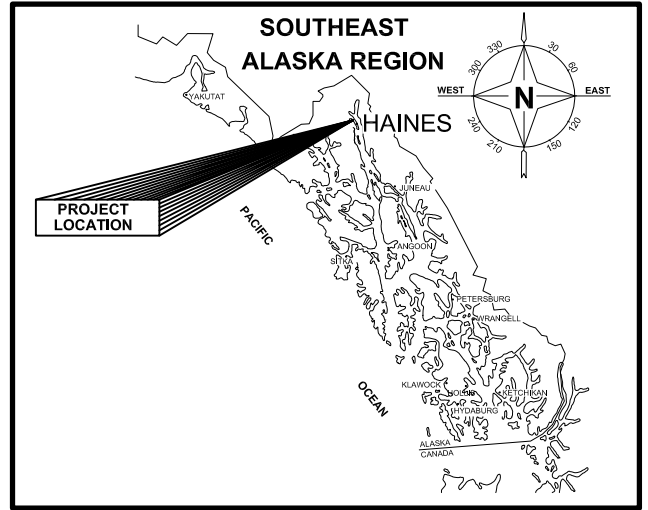
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Vicinity Map

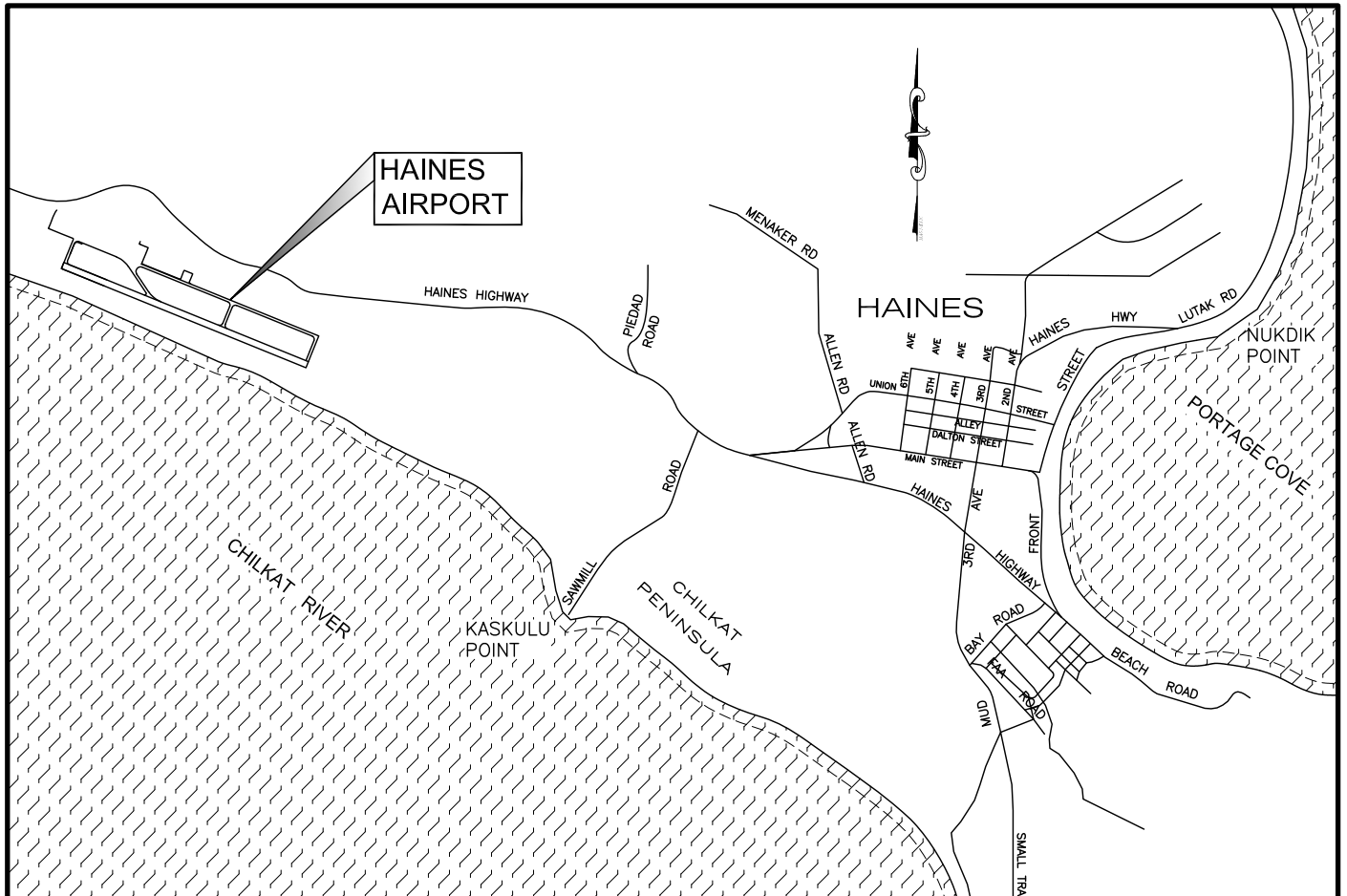
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KEY MAP



LOCATION MAP



VICINITY MAP

WATER BODIES:
CHILKAT RIVER

KEY AND VICINITY MAPS

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SFAPT00234 HAINES AIRPORT REHABILITATION

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LOCATED IN: TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 59 EAST
COPPER RIVER MERIDIAN, QUAD MAP SKAGWAY A-2

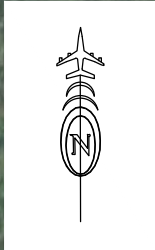
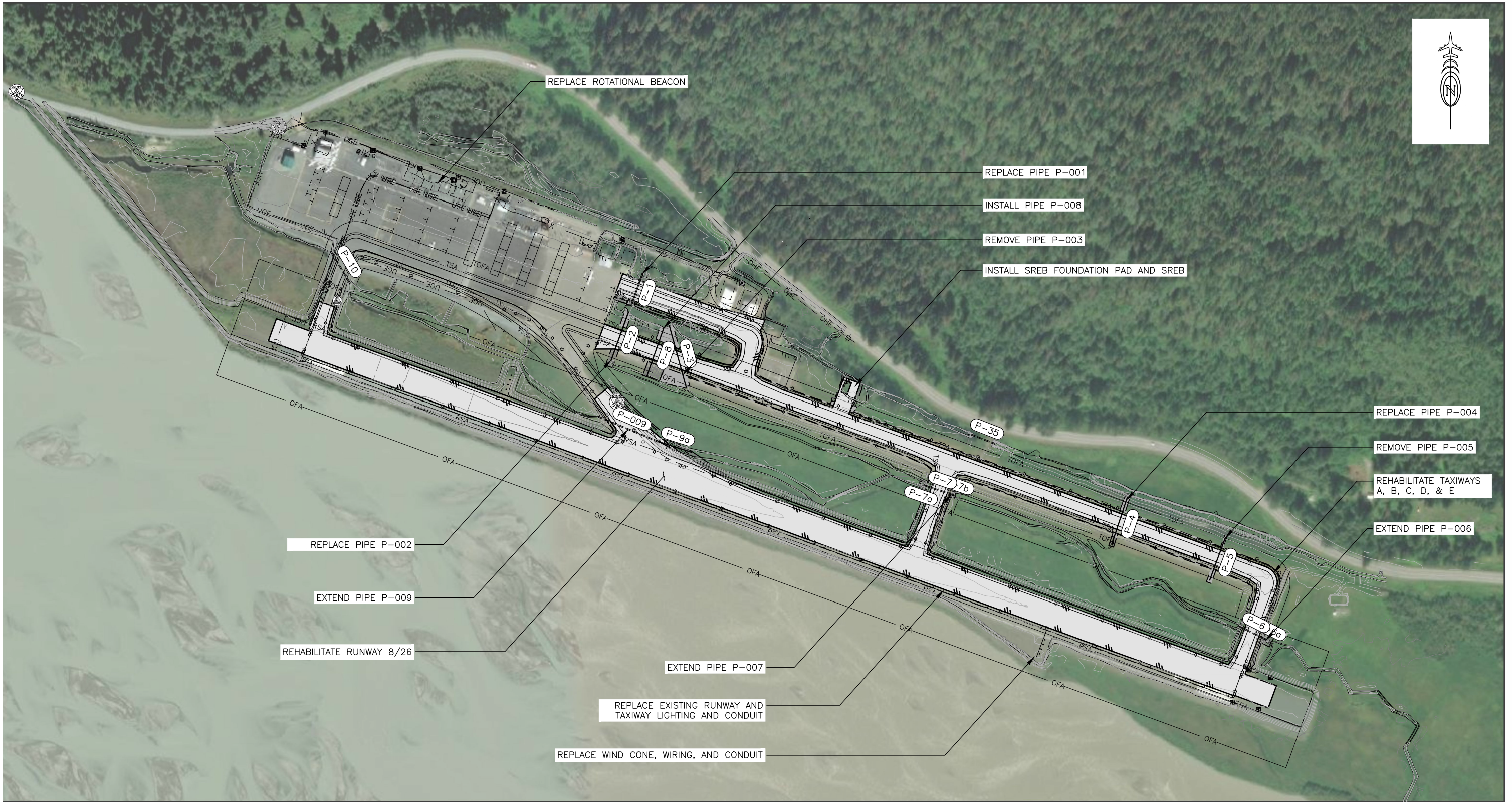
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Site Plans

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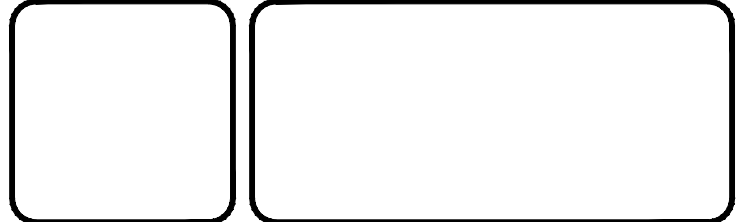


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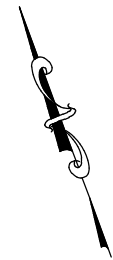
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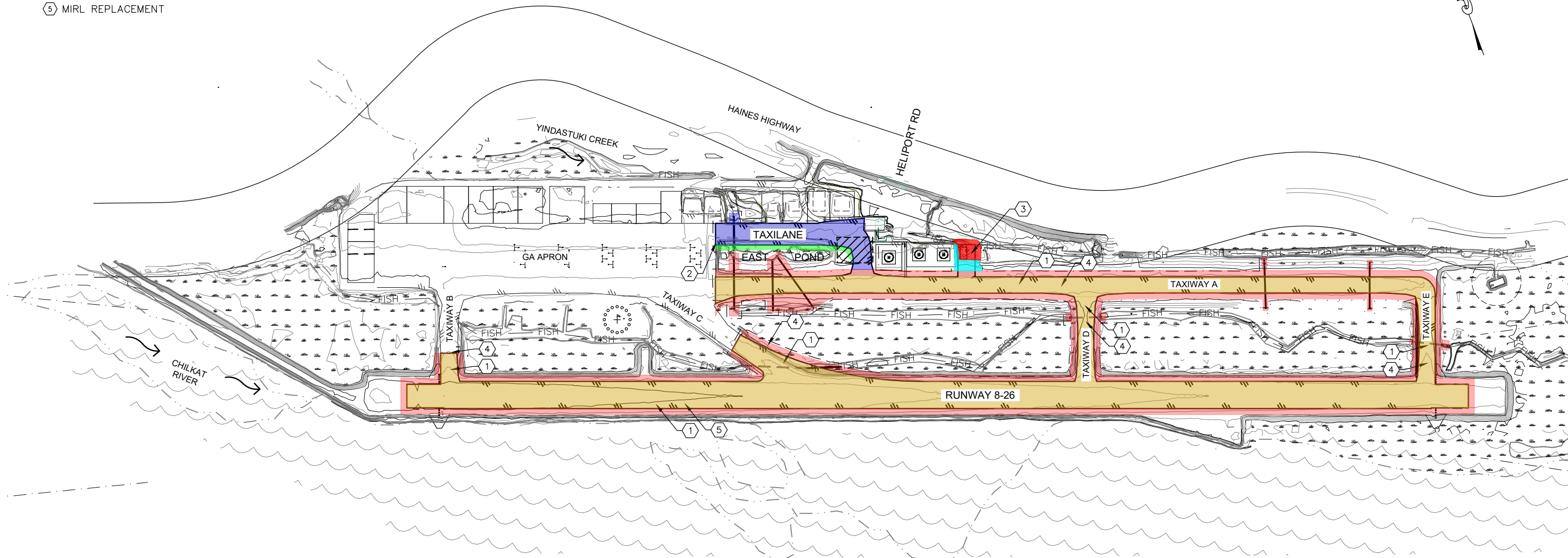
Ground Disturbance Map

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PROJECT TASKS:

- ① FULL DEPTH RECLAMATION
- ② RECONSTRUCT TAXILANE
- ③ SREB FOUNDATION PAD
- ④ MITL REPLACEMENT
- ⑤ MIRL REPLACEMENT



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	ASPHALT PAVEMENT		RUNWAY & TAXIWAY REHABILITATION		HELIPORT RD ON UNDISTURBED
	CONTRACTOR STAGING AREA		REGRAIDING ON PREVIOUSLY DISTURBED AREA		HELIPORT RD ON PREVIOUSLY DISTURBED AREA
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	WETLAND		HELIPAD RECONSTRUCTION		

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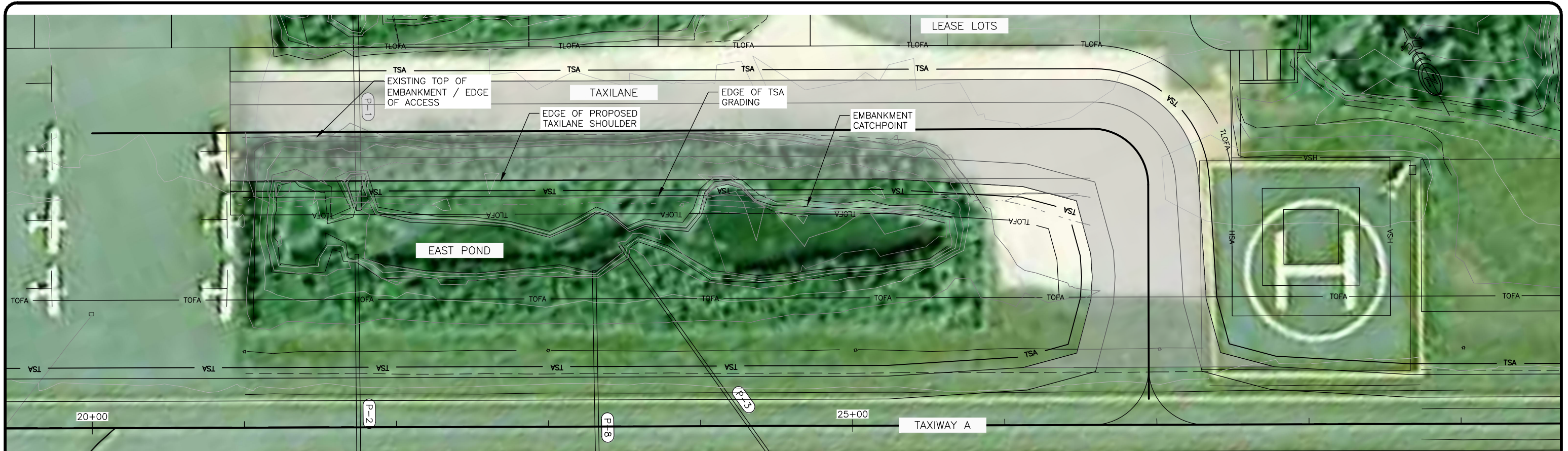
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PROJECT LAYOUT PLAN
DISTURBANCE MAP

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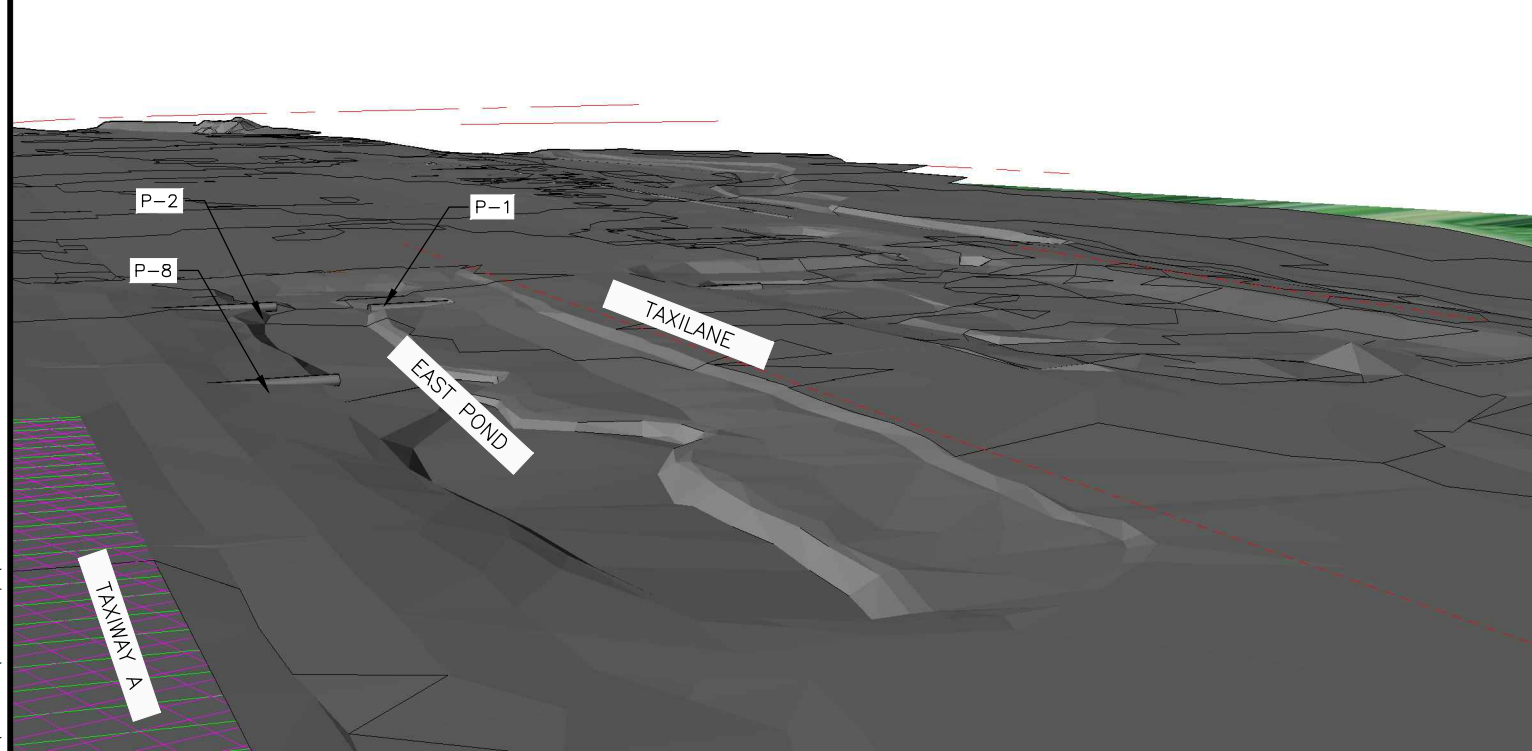
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East Pond Fill Figure

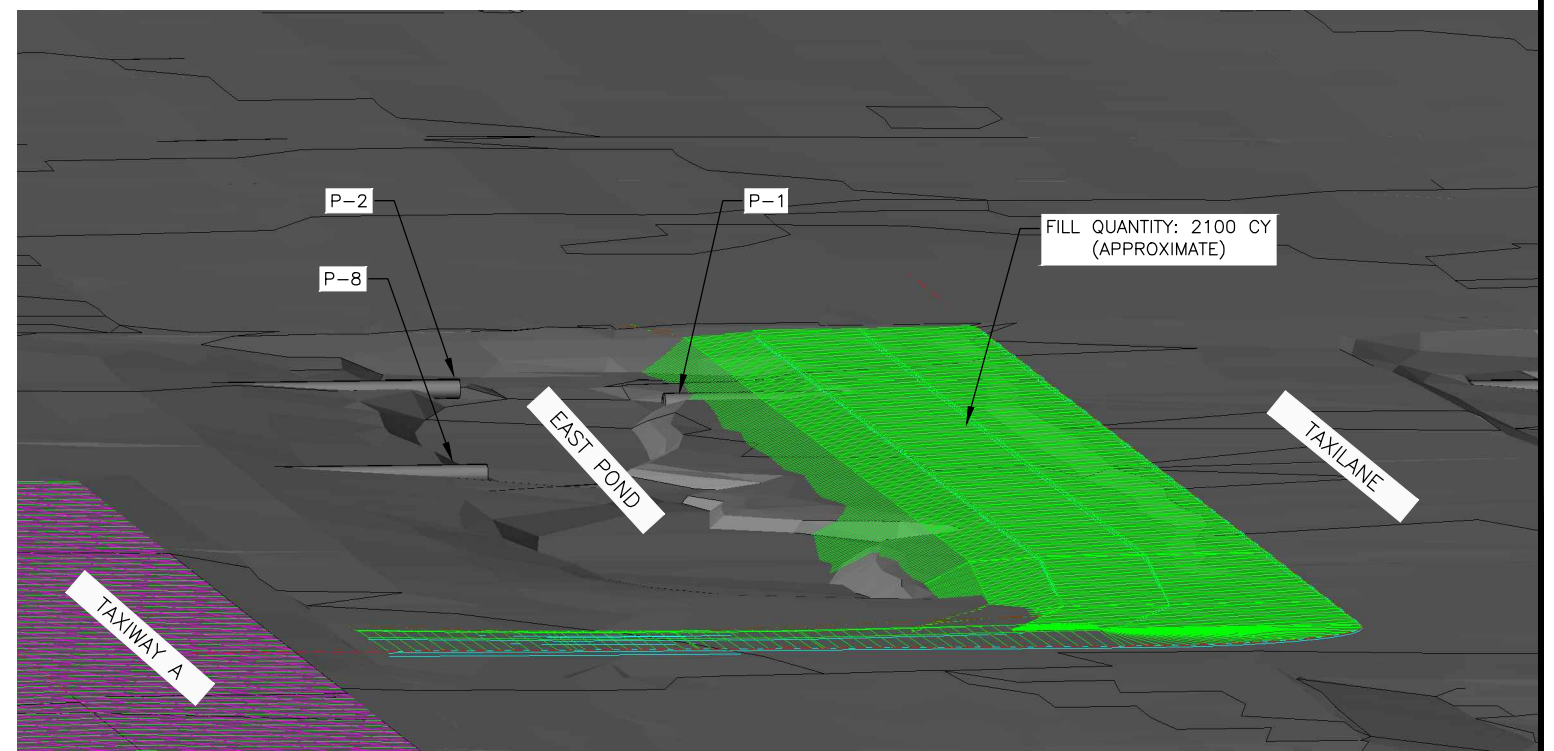
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PLAN VIEW



EXISTING CONDITIONS



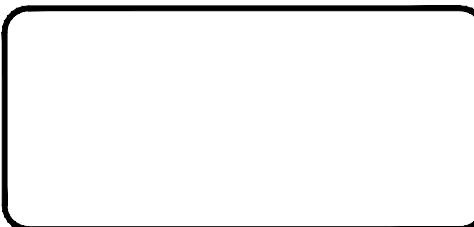
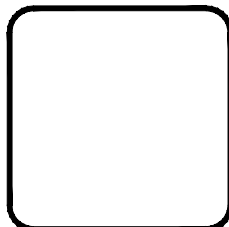
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