



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Non-rulemaking Action at Northeast Alabama Regional Airport (GAD) located in Gadsden, Alabama

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Request for Public Comments.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the United States Code (U.S.C.), notice is being given that the FAA is considering a request from the Northeast Alabama Regional Airport Authority to waive the requirement that a 150± acre parcel of airport property, located at Northeast Alabama Regional Airport (GAD) in Gadsden, Alabama, be used for aeronautical purposes.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before [insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: The public may send comments using the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the instructions on providing comments.
- Fax: 601-664-9901.
- Mail: Brian Hendry, Community Planner, Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross St., Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307.
- Hand Delivery: Deliver to mail address above between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Northeast Alabama Airport Authority Attn: Mr. Lee Roberts at the Northeast Alabama Airport 185 Ira Gray Drive, Gadsden Alabama 35904.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Hendry, Community Planner, Jackson Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39208-2307, (601) 664-9897. The land release request may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA is reviewing a request by the Northeast Alabama Regional Airport Authority to release approximately 150± acres of airport property at Northeast Alabama Regional Airport (GAD) under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 47153(c). The FAA determined that the request to release property at Northeast Alabama Regional Airport (GAD) submitted by the Sponsor meets the procedural requirements of the Federal Aviation Administration and the release of the property does not and will not impact future aviation needs at the airport. The FAA may approve the request, in whole or in part, no sooner than thirty days after the publication of this notice. The property will be purchased by The City of Gadsden, AL, and then donated to a private entity, Ultra Safe Nuclear Corporation (USNC), to locate a non-nuclear production facility. The property is located on the southwest area of airport property adjacent and north of Steele Station Road. The airport will receive fair market value for the property, and the net proceeds from the sale of this property will be used for maintenance and improvements at the Northeast Alabama Regional Airport (GAD).

The proposed use of this property is compatible with airport operations. Copies of the Property Appraisal, Boundary Survey, Legal Description are available for examination by appointment.

Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the request, notice and other documents germane to the request in person at the Northeast Alabama Regional Airport 185 Ira Gray Drive, Gadsden, AL 35904.

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