



SKY HARBOR RUNWAY RELOCATION NEWSLETTER

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Project newsletters including construction updates and photos will be distributed and posted on the airport website monthly. If you would like to be emailed the monthly newsletter, please contact Brandon Twedt (contact info below).

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PROJECT UPDATE:

Fall 2019:

Phase 3A of the Runway Relocation project is complete. This phase included removal of the surcharge material placed during Phase 2 in 2018, together with grading and placement of aggregate in areas that do not impact the existing runway. Approximately 10,000 tons of aggregate have been delivered to the site and placed. Some underground electrical work was installed in preparation for the new runway electrical systems.

Winter 2019-2020:

The existing Runway 14/32 and the seaplane base remain open for use.

Spring 2020:

It is anticipated that the project will resume on or around May 1 (weather permitting). The final work elements are expected to take approximately 30 days to complete. These remaining work items include:

- Remove existing Runway 14/32, including pavement (removed via barge)
- Complete remaining grading and aggregate placement
- Pave new runway, parallel taxiway, and connecting taxiways
- Install new airfield lighting systems

Mitigation Overview:

Fall 2019:

Placement of 15 crib structures in Superior Bay is complete. Remaining 5 cribs will be placed in the summer of 2020.

Spring/Summer 2020:

Phase 3 mitigation includes aquatic habitat enhancements near the seawall and terrestrial native vegetation enhancements covering approximately 23 acres of the site.





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