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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

State Clearinghouse Number: 2017092059

County File Numbers: GP12-0003, DP14-3008

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970" as amended to date, notice is hereby given that a document titled "Draft Environmental Impact Report – Byron Airport Development Program" (hereafter referenced as "Draft EIR") has been prepared for the proposed Byron Airport Development Program and is available for public review.

PROJECT TITLE: Byron Airport Development Program

APPLICANT: Contra Costa County
Public Works Department – Airports Division
550 Sally Ride Drive
Concord, CA 94520
(925) 681-4200

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Existing General Plan policies and zoning regulations for Byron Airport prohibit most of the uses necessary for the airport to reach its aviation potential and achieve economic self-sufficiency. To promote economic development, the County intends to amend its Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan, General Plan, and Planned Unit District zoning to substantially broaden the range of uses allowed by-right on airport property. This will include a variety of aviation uses (terminal, hangars, fixed-base operators, aircraft sales, aviation-supporting businesses, etc.) and airport-compatible uses (light industry, warehousing and distribution, general commercial and retail, offices, etc.) Approximately 941,000 square feet of new development is planned.

PROJECT LOCATION: Byron Airport is located in unincorporated eastern Contra Costa County. The airport is within the County's Urban Limit Line, between Vasco Road and Byron Highway, approximately 2.5 miles south of the community of Byron and 2.5 miles north of the Alameda County line. The airport property consists of 1,427 acres, including 1,307 acres south of Armstrong Road and 120 acres north of Armstrong Road. The proposed Byron Airport

Development Program (project) site excludes the 120 acres north of Armstrong Road but includes an 11.7-acre parcel located next to the northwest corner of the airport. The airport's address is 550 Eagle Court, Byron. The center of the main runway is located at latitude 37°49'52.7" N and longitude 121°37'34" W.

Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 001-011-013, 001-011-017, 001-011-033, 001-011-037, 001-031-023

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT: The Draft EIR identified potentially significant environmental impacts in the following resource/topic areas, except for the significant and unavoidable impact identified in transportation, all significant impacts can be mitigated to less-than-significant levels:

- Aesthetics
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology, Soils, and Minerals
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Noise
- Transportation and Traffic
- Utilities and Service Systems

DRAFT EIR PUBLIC REVIEW & COMMENT PERIOD: The public review period for the Draft EIR will be 60 days. No extension will be granted in the absence of unusual circumstances. Day 1 of the review period is July 1, 2021. Written comments on the adequacy of the Draft EIR must be received by **5:00 P.M. on Monday, August 30, 2021**, at the following address:

Daniel Barrios
Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

OR

daniel.barrios@dcd.cccounty.us

The County File Number indicated near the top of this notice should be included on all correspondence.

DRAFT EIR AVAILABILITY: Copies of the Draft EIR are available for review and purchase at the DCD office, located at the address indicated above. The Draft EIR can be downloaded free from the DCD website through the following link: <https://www.contracosta.ca.gov/5632/Byron->

[Airport-Development-Program](#). The Draft EIR is also available for purchase in hard copy format for approximately \$50. In addition to copies of the Draft EIR, supplemental information including maps, plans, studies, and other material related to the project and preparation of the Draft EIR are available for public review at the DCD office.

Hard copies of the Draft EIR are also available for review only at the following additional locations:

Byron Airport
550 Eagle Court
Byron, CA 94514

Buchanan Field Airport
550 Sally Ride Drive
Concord, CA 94520

Pleasant Hill Library
Contra Costa County Main Branch
100 Gregory Lane
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Brentwood Library
104 Oak Street
Brentwood, CA 94513

Mountain House Branch Library
201 East Main Street
Mountain House, CA 95391

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For additional information on the Draft EIR and the proposed project, please contact the project planner, Daniel Barrios, by telephone at (925) 655-2901, fax at (925) 674-7258 or email at daniel.barrios@dcd.cccounty.us.

Sincerely,

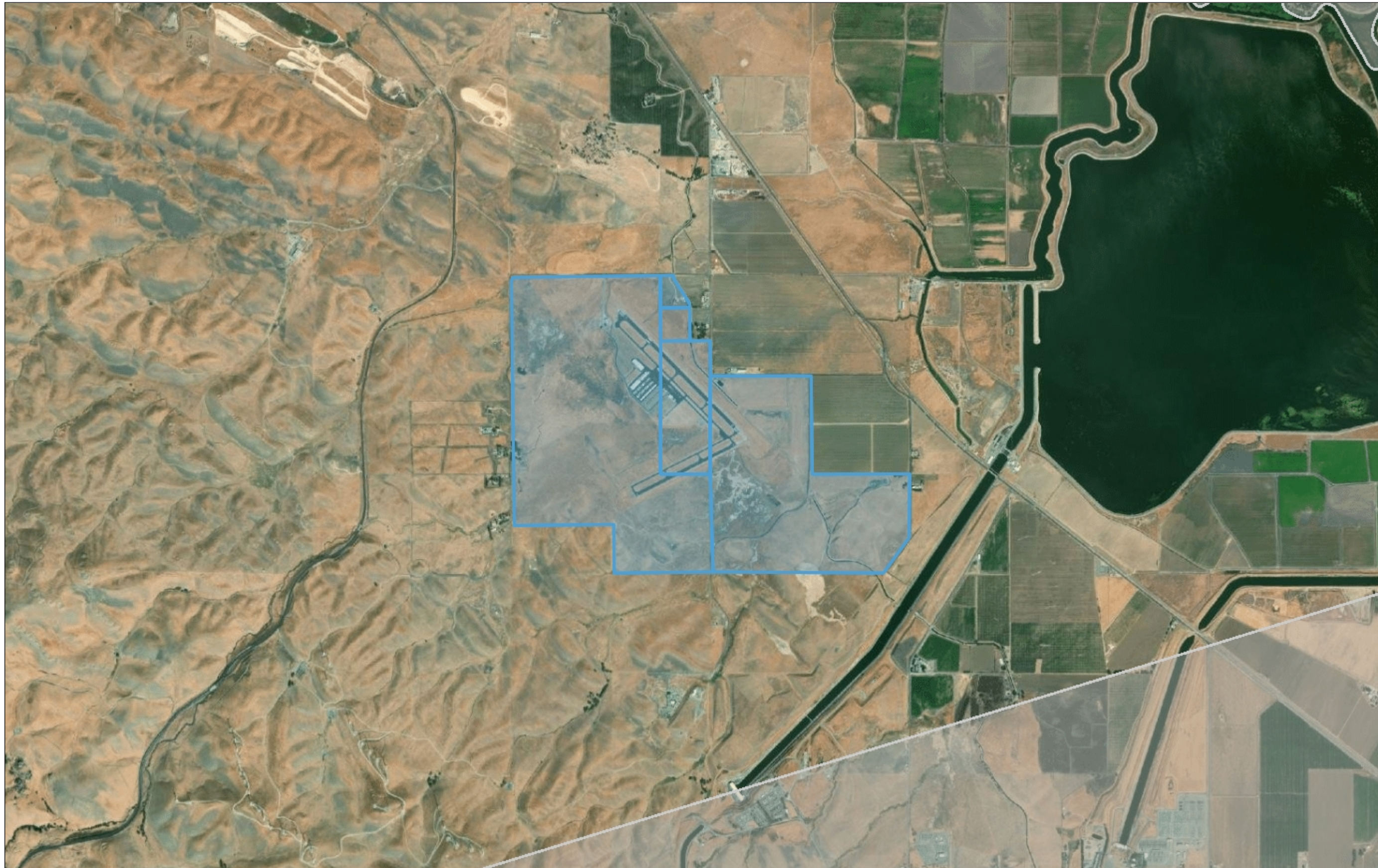
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










Attachments: Attachment A: Local Vicinity Map (Aerial Base)
Attachment B: Site Plan

Cc: County Clerk
Adjacent Property Owners & Occupants
Project Notification List

Attachment A: Local Vicinity Map (Aerial Base)



Legend

-  City Boundary
-  Unincorporated
-  Highways
-  Highways Bay Area
-  County Boundary
-  Bay Area Counties
-  World Imagery
-  Low Resolution 15m Imagery
-  High Resolution 60cm Imagery
-  High Resolution 30cm Imagery
-  Citations

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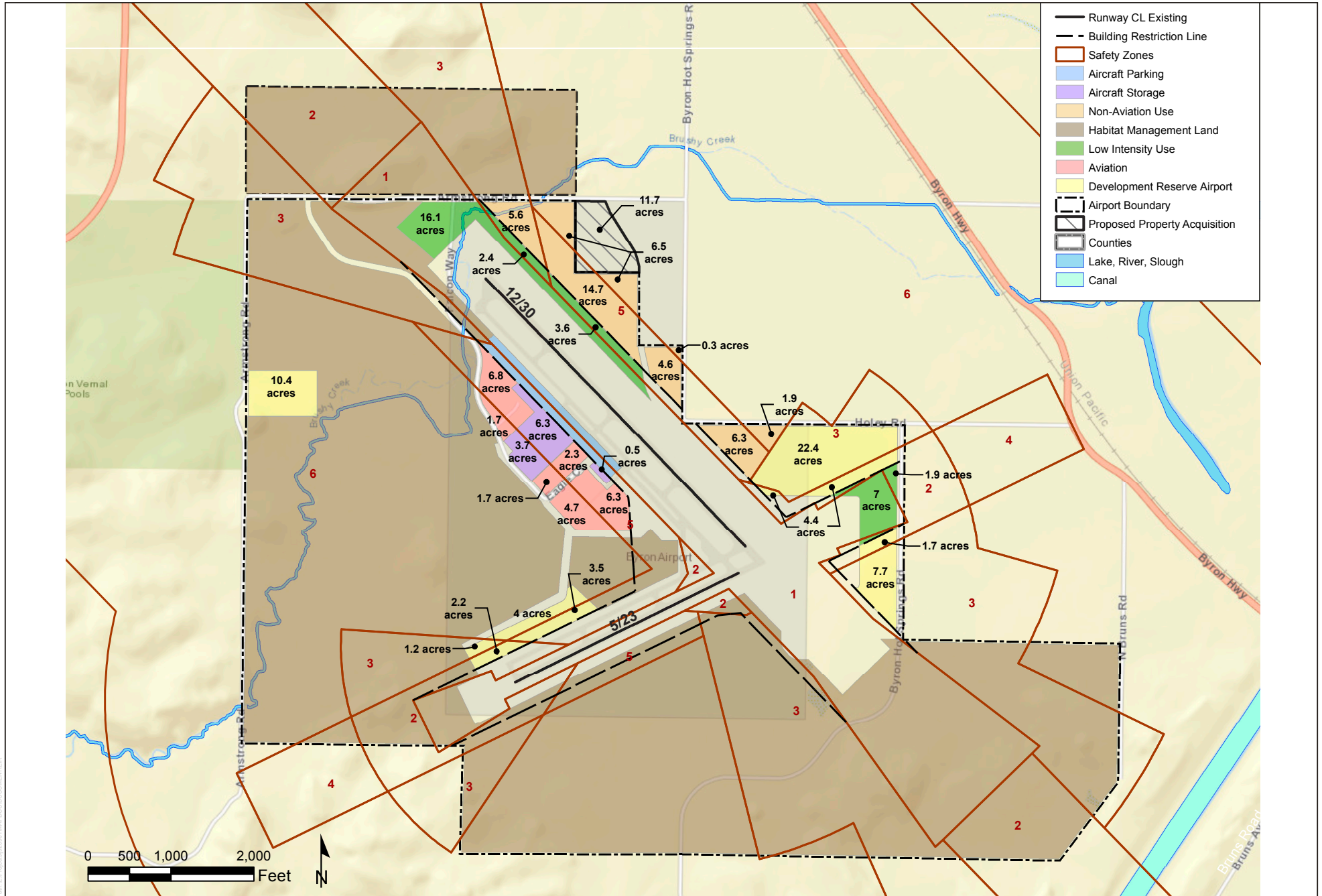
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THIS MAP IS NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATION

Notes

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Attachment B



SOURCE: Mead & Hunt 2018