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Patricia deLaBruere, Airport Manager
Juneau International Airport
City and Borough of Juneau
1873 Shell Simmons Drive, Suite 200
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Patricia:

The FAA received your email requesting to change the Snow Removal Equipment Facility (SREF) location from the northeast (NE) quadrant to the northwest (NW) quadrant. More information is needed for us to fully consider your request.

JUSTIFICATION: The NE quadrant location for the SREF is identified in both the Airport Master Plan (dated 1999) and the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Record of Decision (ROD) as being operationally superior and providing maximum potential for airfield development. The EIS/ROD identified alternative SREF-3B1 (NE quadrant) as the build alternative solely because of the operational and future development benefits.

In order for us to fully consider your request to relocate the SREF from NE quadrant to NW quadrant, the FAA will need a fully developed justification for the change in need from the published ROD. We will take the new justification under consideration.

FINANCIAL: This office has obligated a significant amount of Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding, via several grants, for the construction of the snow removal equipment facility in the NE quadrant. In order for us to proceed in the consideration of your request, we would need to review all grant expenditures for the existing facility.

Please provide to our office a full itemized record that delineates the amount of grant funding associated (either directly or indirectly) with the development of this facility. If amounts are pro-rated among other development objectives, please provide the basis for how the costs are distributed.

ENVIRONMENTAL: As the NE quadrant location was selected as the build alternative in the ROD, there are National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) considerations that must be addressed. The analysis completed in the EIS addressed the environmental impacts at both locations. Should the preferred location of the SREF change to the west end of the airport, it is likely that NEPA requirements could be met with minimal documentation beyond what is in the

EIS/ROD. The level of NEPA effort required will be determined following agency and relevant stakeholder coordination.

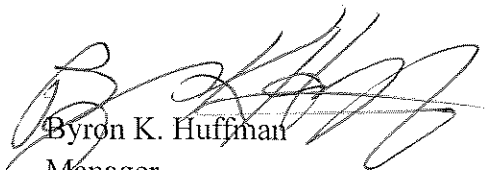
I look forward to receiving the following, so we can more fully consider your request:

- Fully developed justification for moving the SREF from the NE quadrant to the NW quadrant
- Full itemized record that delineates the amount of grant funding associated with the development of the facility at the currently selected location.

After we have received and considered the above information and depending on the outcome; if necessary, we will provide further detailed direction regarding the environmental requirements.

If you have any questions or concerns with this request, please contact Mike Edelmann, Airport Planner, at (907) 271-5026, mike.edelmann@faa.gov.

Sincerely,


Byron K. Huffman
Manager