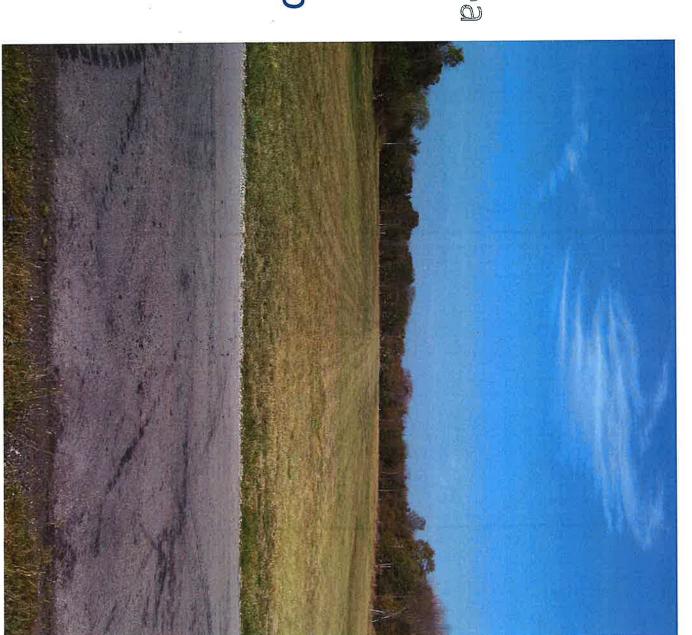
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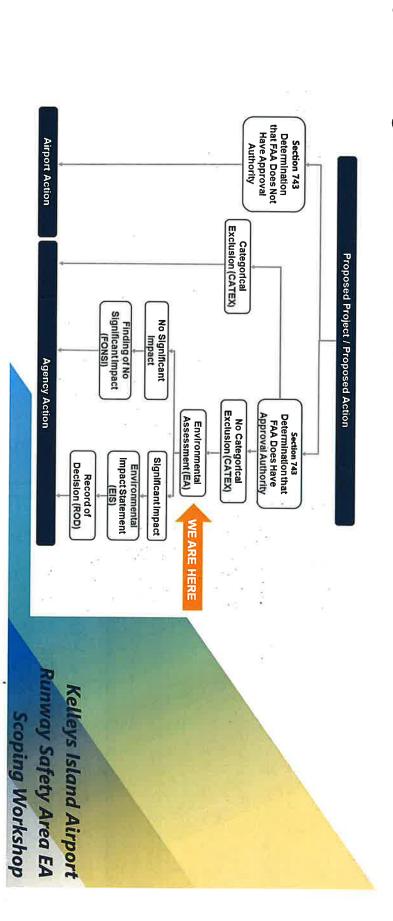
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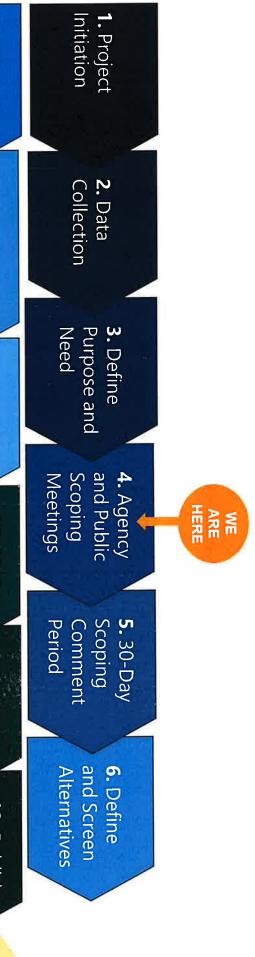
# What Is NEPA and its Process?

- NEPA is the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
- NEPA is a statute that requires federal agencies to consider the environmental effects of their actions in the decision-making process
- NEPA documentation The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is the lead agency for aviation-related
- ¥ All NEPA documentation follows guidance provided in Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations and FAA Orders





#### The EA Process



7. Affected
Environment
(Existing
Conditions)

8. Environmental Consequences (Analyze Potential Effects)

9. Publish Draft EA

> **10.** 30-Day Draft EA Comment

Period

**11.** Prepare Final EA

**12.** Publish Final EA and

FAA Issues

Decision

### Scoping and its Benefits

- Provides an opportunity for involvement in the EA process from the start
- Federal, state, and local agencies, and the public can provide input regarding environmental conditions and concerns.
- » Information received during scoping helps identify areas of concern
- » Issues that arise during the scoping process can help environmental resource category in the EA. determine the level of analyses conducted for each

### Purpose and Need

why the Airport wishes to solve the problem. The "need" describes the problem an Airport is facing while the "purpose" describes

### The purpose of the Proposed Action:

- to meet FAA Airport Design Standards for Category A-1 small airplanes Monaghan Road outside the existing Runway Safety Area and Runway Object Free Area To enhance the safety of aircraft operations at the airport by relocating a portion of
- Enhance safe aircraft operations on Runway 9-27 by meeting the FAA standards for the RSA, ROFA, and ROFA
- » To minimize land use compatibility impacts in the RPZ.
- » Can be achieved by:
- » Acquiring 6.3 acres of Kelleys Island State Park (a Section 4(f) and Section 6(f) resource) to be converted to Airport property.
- Relocating 2,413 feet of Monaghan Road to meet the applicable RSA and ROFA airport design standards on the west side of the Airport near the approach end of

current location of Monaghan Road, located at the west end of Runway 9, penetrates the RSA, and does not meet current FAA airport design standards The need for the Proposed Action is to address the safety design concerns posed by the

#### **Proposed Project**





- 15' Traverse Way Line

RSA ROFZ

Land Clearing
Land Acquisition

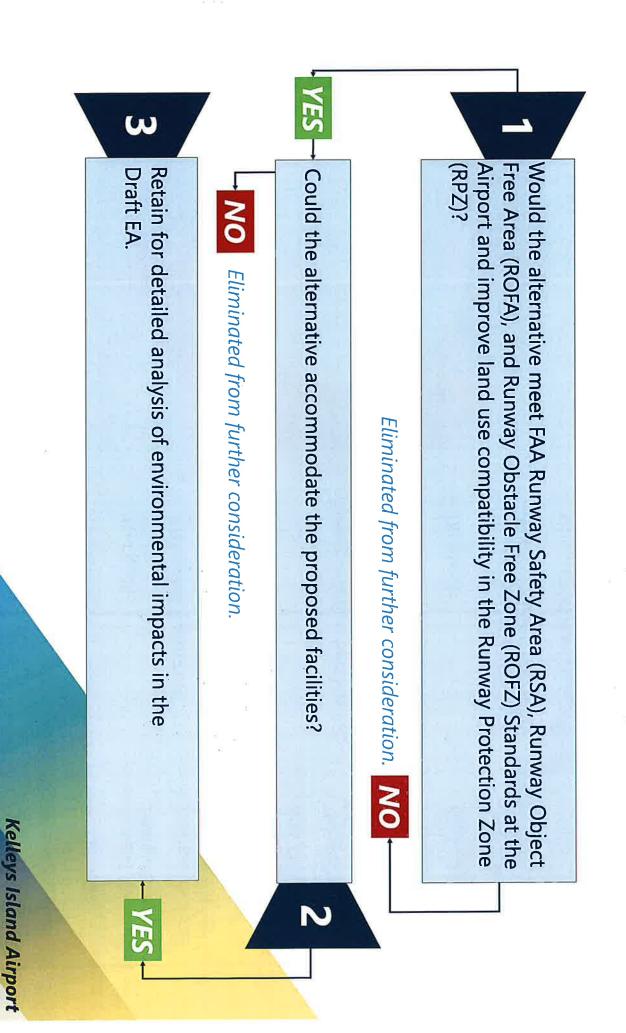
Road Relocation

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Close Current Access Road
Construct New Access Road

RPZ ROFA

# General Alternatives Screening Process

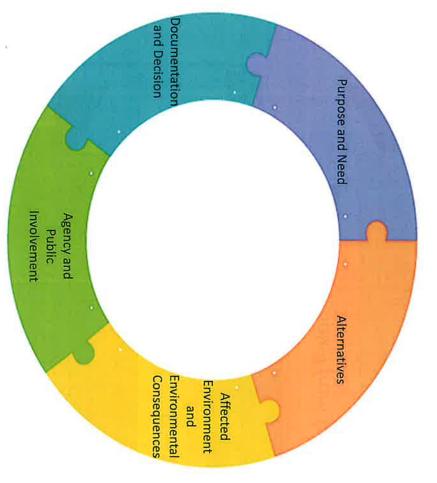


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### **Key Components of an EA**



### **Environmental Impact Categories**

- » Air Quality
- » Biological Resources
- » Climate
- » Coastal Resources
- Department of
  Transportation Section 4(f)
  Resource and Land and Water
  Conservation Fund (LWCF)
  Section 6(f) Resource
- » Farmlands
- » Hazardous Materials, Solid Waste, Pollution Prevention
- Historic, Architectural,
   Archaeological, and Cultural
   Resources
- » Land Use

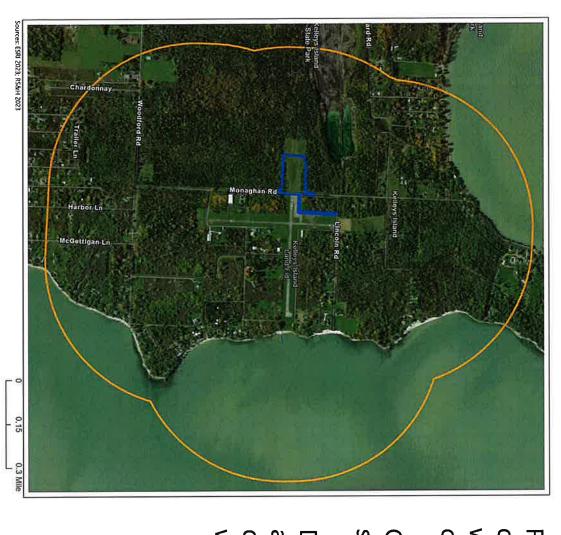
- » Natural Resources and Energy Supply
- » Noise and Noise-Compatible Land Use
- » Socioeconomics, Environmental Justice, and Children's Health and Safety Risks
- » Visual Effects (Visual and Light Emissions)
- Water Resources (Floodplains, Surface Waters, Groundwater, Wetlands, and Wild and
- » Cumulative Impacts

Scenic Rivers)

#### Bold text:

Environmental resource categories that have been identified as needing site surveys.

#### **EA Study Areas**



For the purpose of assessing the potential direct and indirect effects two study areas were defined to describe existing conditions in the vicinity of the Airport.

General Study Area (GSA) depicts the area surrounding the Kelleys Island Airport.

Detailed Study Area (DSA) depicts the areas within the GSA that the development of the Proposed Project would physically impact.





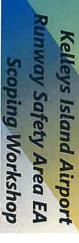
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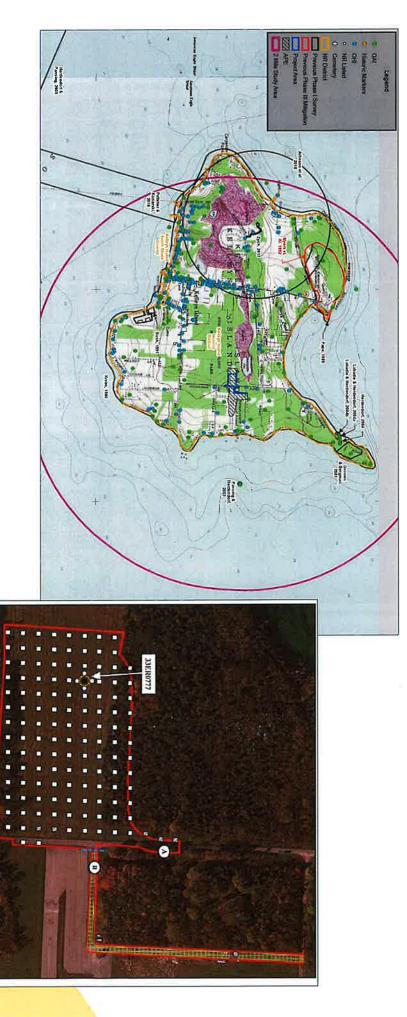
## **Ecological Resources Survey**

#### **Wetlands Survey**





### **Cultural Resource Survey**





Survey Area Boundary Survey Area Designation

OAI Boundary

Disturbed Shavel Test Positive Shovel Test Negative Shovel Test

Project Area Boundary





## **EA Roles and Responsibilities**

### Federal Aviation Administration

- Lead Federal Agency on the EA
- Ensures compliance with NEPA and special purpose laws and regulations

## Airport Sponsor (Village of Kelleys Island)

Directs work performed by EA consultant

# Federal, State, Local Agencies, Native American Tribes

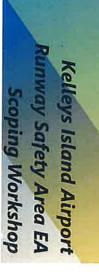
- Assists Airport Sponsor and FAA by providing environmental resources data, technical assistance, and review in area of expertise
- Comments on scope of EA
- Comments on Draft EA

#### **Public**

- Comments of scope of EA
- Comments on Draft EA

### EA Consultant (RS&H Team)

- Technical analysis
- Production of EA



#### **EA Next Steps**

- Analyze potential environmental effects (Environmental Consequences)
- Publish Draft EA (anticipated early-2025)
- 30-day public comment period on Draft EA
- Respond to comments received on Draft EA (to be included in the Final EA)
- Publish Final EA
- FAA issues decision (anticipated mid-2025)

# **How to Provide Scoping Comments**

- Fill out comment card and submit today
- Provide oral comments to stenographer
- Send written comments via U.S. Mail to:

RS&H

Attn: David Alberts

10748 Deerwood Park Boulevard

Jacksonville, FL 32256

Send electronic comments via email to: <u>David.Alberts@rsandh.com</u>

All comments must be received by 5:00pm EST on August 21, 2024.