

**Department of Transportation
Federal Aviation Administration**

Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact and Record of Decision

**Environmental Assessment for the Punta Gorda Airport
Five-Year Capital Improvement Program**

Punta Gorda Airport

The Federal Aviation Administration, Orlando Airports District Office, has announced that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Record of Decision (ROD) has been approved based on the results of an Environmental Assessment (EA) prepared by the Charlotte County Airport Authority for the proposed improvements at the Punta Gorda Airport, located in Punta Gorda, Florida. The FONSI/ROD addressed the construction of several airport development projects identified in the Charlotte County Airport Authority's Five-Year Capital Improvement Program. The major project elements include:

- Rehabilitate Runway 15-33 pavement. The runway would be extended by 593 feet and upgrade runway to temporarily accommodate commercial air service while Runway 4-22 is closed.
- Reconstruct and rehabilitate Runway 4-22 pavement
- Acquire property and avigation easements
- Re-configure taxiway/runway entrance to Runway 15
- Develop general aviation apron, buildings, and parking facilities on the north side of the airfield
- Construct new flight school building and parking lot
- Relocate Building 111 and demolish existing structure
- Construct additional long-term public parking and cell phone waiting lots
- Remove wetland habitats identified as wildlife hazard attractants.

The FONSI/ROD indicates that the proposed action is consistent with existing environmental policies and objectives as set forth in the *National Environmental Policy Act of 1969* in that it will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Copies of the EA and FONSI/ROD are available for review by the public during regular business hours at the locations listed below.

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