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** NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY FINDINGS **

The Federal Aviation Administration has conducted an aeronautical study under the provisions of 49 U.S.C., Section 44718 and if applicable Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 77, concerning:

Structure:

Wind Turbine 3

Location:

Green Forest, AR

Latitude:

36-17-39.06N NAD 83

Longitude:

93-26-03.69W

Heights:

1968 feet site elevation (SE)

698 feet above ground level (AGL)

2666 feet above mean sea level (AMSL)

Initial findings of this study indicate that the structure as described exceeds obstruction standards and/or would have an adverse physical or electromagnetic interference effect upon navigable airspace or air navigation facilities. Pending resolution of the issues described below, the structure is presumed to be a hazard to air navigation.

To pursue a favorable determination at the originally submitted height, further study would be necessary. Further study may include distribution to the public for comment, and may extend the study period up to 120 days. The outcome cannot be predicted prior to public circularization.

If you would like the FAA to conduct further study, you must make the request within 60 days from the date of issuance of this letter.

See Attachment for Additional information.

NOTE: PENDING RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE(S) DESCRIBED ABOVE, THE STRUCTURE IS PRESUMED TO BE A HAZARD TO AIR NAVIGATION. THIS LETTER DOES NOT AUTHORIZE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STRUCTURE EVEN AT A REDUCED HEIGHT. ANY RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE(S) DESCRIBED ABOVE MUST BE COMMUNICATED TO THE FAA SO THAT A FAVORABLE DETERMINATION CAN SUBSEQUENTLY BE ISSUED.

IF MORE THAN 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER HAS ELAPSED WITHOUT ATTEMPTED RESOLUTION, IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO REACTIVATE THE STUDY BY FILING A NEW FAA FORM 7460-1, NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATION.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact our office at (847) 294-7576, or Wayne.Reynolds@faa.gov. On any future correspondence concerning this matter, please refer to Aeronautical Study Number 2022-WTW-9607-OE.

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Buck Reynolds Specialist

Attachment(s)
Additional Information
Map(s)

Additional information for ASN 2022-WTW-9607-OE

A list of commonly used acronyms and abbreviations is available at the end of this document. A full list is available at the FAA's public website at https://oeaaa.faa.gov/oeaaa/downloads/external/content/FAA Acronyms.pdf.

1. PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION

Proposed are 46 wind turbines for a project that lies approximately 9.27 NM to 13.95 NM west of the airport reference point (ARP) of the Boone County Airport (HRO), Harrison, AR...

For the sake of efficiency, all of the wind turbines in this project that have similar impacts are included in this narrative. All 46 of the wind turbines have been identified as having aeronautical effects which are outlined in the summary below.

The proposed wind turbines' described heights and locations are expressed in Above Ground Level (AGL) height, Above Mean Sea Level (AMSL) height and latitude (LAT)/longitude (LONG).

ASN	/ /	AGL	1.	AMSL	1	LAT	1	LONG
2022-WTW-9606-OE	1	698	1	2635	1	36-17-43.52N	1	93-26-21.13W
2022-WTW-9607-OE	1	698	1	2666	1	36-17-39.06N	1	93-26-03.69W
2022-WTW-9609-OE	1	698	1	2673	1	36-17-07.95N	1	93-25-56.52W
2022-WTW-9611-OE	1	698	1	2636	1	36-16-39.77N	1	93-25-44.09W
2022-WTW-9616-OE	1	698	1	2611	1	36-17-01.02N	1	93-21-32.58W
2022-WTW-9617-OE	1	698	1	2692	1	36-16-24.35N	1	93-25-19.93W
2022-WTW-9618-OE	/	698	1	2682	1	36-16-13.20N	1	93-25-05.33W
2022-WTW-9619-OE	/	698	1	2583	/	36-16-18.58N	1	93-23-05.20W
2022-WTW-9620-OE	1	698	1	2543	1	36-16-39.99N	1	93-22-06.54W
2022-WTW-9621-OE	1	698	1	2609	1	36-16-27.00N	1	93-21-51.56W
2022-WTW-9622-OE	1	698	1	2663	1	36-16-27.79N	1	93-21-33.00W
2022-WTW-9624-OE	1	698	/	2669	1	36-16-10.42N	1	93-21-20.88W
2022-WTW-9627-OE	1	698	1	2681	1	36-15-55.43N	1	93-23-22.18W
2022-WTW-9628-OE	/	698	1	2664	1	36-15-47.03N	1	93-23-05.77W
2022-WTW-9630-OE	1	698	/	2662	1	36-15-36.36N	1	93-22-33.47W
2022-WTW-9632-OE	1	698	1	2658	1	36-15-38.79N	1	93-22-01.75W
2022-WTW-9633-OE	1	698	1	2520	1	36-15-47.32N	1	93-21-44.94W
2022-WTW-9634-OE	1	698	1	2679	1	36-15-50.77N	1	93-21-28.58W
2022-WTW-9636-OE	1	698	1	2714	1	36-15-20.85N	1	93-24-55.13W
2022-WTW-9638-OE	1	698	1	2707	1	36-15-18.34N	/	93-23-42.50W
2022-WTW-9639-OE	/	698	1	2702	1	36-15-21.67N	1	93-23-25.40W
2022-WTW-9640-OE	1	698	/	2555	1	36-15-34.37N	1	93-21-07.50W
2022-WTW-9641-OE	1	698	1	2621	1	36-14-16.85N	1	93-24-27.26W
2022-WTW-9642-OE	1	698	1	2639	1	36-14-16.20N	1	93-24-10.16W
2022-WTW-9643-OE	1	698	1	2628	1	36-14-22.32N	1	93-23-51.87W
2022-WTW-9645-OE	1	698	/	2680	1	36-13-01.39N	/	93-23-31.67W
2022-WTW-9646-OE	1	698	1	2720	1	36-12-46.73N	1	93-23-22.25W
2023-WTW-12672-OE	/	698	/	2627	1	36-17-44.43N	1	93-25-48.35W

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2023-WTW-12673-OE /
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                                       36-16-45.49N
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2023-WTW-12674-OE /
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                              2550
                                       36-16-46.32N
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2023-WTW-12675-OE /
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2023-WTW-12676-OE /
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2023-WTW-12677-OE /
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2023-WTW-12678-OE /
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2023-WTW-12679-OE /
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                                       36-15-39.70N /
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2023-WTW-12680-OE /
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                                       36-15-33.21N
                                                      93-22-15.31W
2023-WTW-12681-OE /
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                                      36-15-51.33N /
                                                      93-21-14.96W
2023-WTW-12682-OE /
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2023-WTW-12686-OE /
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2023-WTW-12687-OE /
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2023-WTW-12688-OE /
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2023-WTW-12689-OE /
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2023-WTW-12690-OE /
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                              2720 /
                                      36-12-58.73N /
                                                      93-20-57.33W
2023-WTW-12691-OE /
                                      36-13-31.50N
                      698
                              2582 /
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2023-WTW-12692-OE /
                      698
                              2567 /
                                      36-14-05.50N
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2. TITLE 14 CFR PART 77 - OBSTRUCTION STANDARDS EXCEEDED

- a. Section 77.17(a)(1): Exceeds a height of 499 feet AGL at the site of the object. All proposed wind turbines would exceed this standard by 199 feet.
- b. Section 77.17 (a)(3): A height within a terminal obstacle clearance area, including an initial approach segment, a departure area, and a circling approach area, which would result in the vertical distance between any point on the object and an established minimum instrument flight altitude within that area or segment to be less than the required obstacle clearance.

The following proposed turbines would increase the CASSVILLE MUNI (94K) CASSVILLE, MO. RNAV (GPS) RWY 27 Orig-B increase Terminal Arrival Areas (TAA) Straight-In Area 178 degree radial clockwise to the 358 degree radial Minimum Descent Altitude (MDA) from 3600 feet AMS to as much as 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2600 feet AMSL.

Increase to 3700 feet AMSL 2023-WTW-12672-OE 2023-WTW-12678-OE 2023-WTW-12679-OE 2023-WTW-12681-OE 2023-WTW-12682-OE 2023-WTW-12686-OE

Increase to 3800 feet AMSL 2023-WTW-12677-OE 2023-WTW-12680-OE 2023-WTW-12689-OE The following proposed turbines would increase the Minimum Safe Altitude (MSA) for the Carroll County (4M1) Berryville, AR. RNAV (GPS) RWY 7 AMDT 1A RNAV (GPS) RWY 25 AMDT 1A increase MSA from 3700 feet AMSL to 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2700 feet AMSL.

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2022-WTW-9636-OE
2022-WTW-9638-OE
2022-WTW-9639-OE
2022-WTW-9646-OE
2023-WTW-12677-OE
2023-WTW-12680-OE
2023-WTW-12687-OE
2023-WTW-12688-OE
2023-WTW-12689-OE
2023-WTW-12690-OE
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The following proposed turbines would increase the Minimum Safe Altitude (MSA) for the Boone County (HRO) Harrison, AR. ILS or LOC RWY 36 AMDT 1 increase MSA from 3700 feet AMSL to 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2700 feet AMSL.

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2022-WTW-9636-OE
2022-WTW-9638-OE
2022-WTW-9639-OE
2022-WTW-9646-OE
2023-WTW-12677-OE
2023-WTW-12680-OE
2023-WTW-12687-OE
2023-WTW-12688-OE
2023-WTW-12689-OE
2023-WTW-12690-OE
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The following proposed turbines would increase the missed approach for the Boone County (HRO) Harrison AR. ILS or LOC RWY 36 AMDT 1; climb to 1900 feet AMSL then climbing left turn to 3800 feet AMSL; an increase from 3700 feet AMSL direct HRO VOR/DME and hold. Continue climb-in-hold to 3800 feet AMSL; an increase from 3700 feet AMSL. NEH 2700 feet AMSL.

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2022-WTW-9638-OE
2022-WTW-9639-OE
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The following proposed turbines would increase the Minimum Safe Altitude (MSA) for the Branson (BBG) Branson, MO. ILS or LOC RWY 32 ORIG RNAV (GPS) RWY 14 ORIG B RNAV (GPS) RWY 32 ORIG B increase MSA from 3700 feet AMSL to 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2700 feet AMSL.

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2022-WTW-9636-OE
2022-WTW-9638-OE
2022-WTW-9639-OE
2022-WTW-9646-OE
2023-WTW-12677-OE
2023-WTW-12680-OE
2023-WTW-12687-OE
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2023-WTW-12688-OE 2023-WTW-12689-OE 2023-WTW-12690-OE

The following proposed turbines would increase the Minimum Safe Altitude (MSA) for the Branson West Muni-Emerson Field (FWB) Branson West, MO. RNAV (GPS) RWY 3 AMDT 1A and RNAV (GPS) RWY 21 AMDT 1A increase MSA from 3500 feet AMSL to as much as 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2500 feet AMSL.

Increase to 3600 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9619-OE

2022-WTW-9620-OE

2022-WTW-9633-OE

2022-WTW-9640-OE

2023-WTW-12673-OE

2023-WTW-12674-OE

2023-WTW-12675-OE

2023-WTW-12676-OE 2023-WTW-12683-OE

2023-WTW-12691-OE

2023-WTW-12692-OE

Increase to 3700 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9606-OE

2022-WTW-9607-OE

2022-WTW-9609-OE

2022-WTW-9611-OE

2022-WTW-9616-OE

2022-WTW-9617-OE

2022-WTW-9618-OE

2022-WTW-9621-OE

2022-WTW-9622-OE

2022-WTW-9624-OE

2022-WTW-9627-OE

2022-WTW-9628-OE

2022-WTW-9630-OE

2022-WTW-9632-OE

2022-WTW-9634-OE

2022-WTW-9641-OE

2022-WTW-9642-OE

2022-WTW-9643-OE

2022-WTW-9645-OE

2023-WTW-12672-OE

2023-WTW-12678-OE

2023-WTW-12679-OE

2023-WTW-12681-OE

2023-WTW-12682-OE

2023-WTW-12686-OE

Increase to 3800 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9636-OE

2022-WTW-9638-OE

2022-WTW-9639-OE

2022-WTW-9646-OE

2023-WTW-12677-OE

2023-WTW-12680-OE

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2023-WTW-12687-OE

2023-WTW-12688-OE

2023-WTW-12689-OE

2023-WTW-12690-OE

The following structures increase the Minimum Vectoring Altitude (MVA) at Fort Smith ATCT/TRACON (FSM) Fort Smith, AR.. FSM_FUS3_2022 MVA increase FSM Sector I from 3500 feet AMSL to as much as 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2549 feet AMSL.

Increase to 3600 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9606-OE

2022-WTW-9611-OE

2022-WTW-9616-OE

2022-WTW-9619-OE

2022-WTW-9640-OE

2022-WTW-9641-OE

2022-WTW-9642-OE

2022-WTW-9643-OE

2023-WTW-12672-OE

2023-WTW-12673-OE

2023-WTW-12674-OE

2023-WTW-12676-OE

2023-WTW-12678-OE

2023-WTW-12679-OE

2023-WTW-12682-OE

2023-WTW-12683-OE

2023-WTW-12691-OE

2023-WTW-12692-OE

Increase to 3700 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9607-OE

2022-WTW-9609-OE

2022-WTW-9617-OE

2022-WTW-9618-OE

2022-WTW-9622-OE

2022-WTW-9624-OE

2022-WTW-9627-OE

2022-WTW-9628-OE

2022-WTW-9630-OE

2022-WTW-9634-OE 2022-WTW-9636-OE 2022-WTW-9638-OE 2022-WTW-9639-OE 2022-WTW-9645-OE 2022-WTW-9646-OE 2023-WTW-12677-OE 2023-WTW-12680-OE 2023-WTW-12681-OE 2023-WTW-12686-OE

2023-WTW-12689-OE 2023-WTW-12690-OE

2022-WTW-9632-OE

Increase to 3800 feet AMSL 2023-WTW-12688-OE

The following structures increase the Minimum Vectoring Altitude (MVA) at Springfield ATCT/TRACON (SGF) Springfield, MO. SGF_MVA_FUS3_2023 increase SGF Sector G from 3500 feet AMSL to as much as 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2549 feet AMSL.

Increase to 3600 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9606-OE

2022-WTW-9611-OE

2022-WTW-9616-OE

2022-WTW-9619-OE

2022-WTW-9640-OE

2022-WTW-9641-OE

2022-WTW-9642-OE

2022-WTW-9643-OE

2023-WTW-12672-OE

2023-WTW-12673-OE

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2023-WTW-12692-OE

Increase to 3700 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9607-OE

2022-WTW-9609-OE

2022-WTW-9617-OE

2022-WTW-9618-OE 2022-WTW-9622-OE 2022-WTW-9624-OE 2022-WTW-9627-OE 2022-WTW-9628-OE 2022-WTW-9630-OE 2022-WTW-9632-OE 2022-WTW-9634-OE 2022-WTW-9636-OE · 2022-WTW-9638-OE 2022-WTW-9639-OE 2023-WTW-12677-OE 2023-WTW-12680-OE 2023-WTW-12681-OE 2023-WTW-12686-OE 2023-WTW-12687-OE 2023-WTW-12689-OE

2023-WTW-12690-OE

Increase to 3800 feet AMSL 2023-WTW-12688-OE

The following structures increase the Minimum Vectoring Altitude (MVA) at Springfield ATCT/TRACON (SGF) Springfield, MO. SGF_MVA_FUS5_2023 MVA increase SGF Sector G from 3500 feet AMSL to 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2549 feet AMSL.

Increase to 3600 feet AMSL 2022-WTW-9606-OE 2022-WTW-9611-OE 2022-WTW-9616-OE 2022-WTW-9619-OE 2022-WTW-9640-OE 2022-WTW-9641-OE 2022-WTW-9642-OE 2022-WTW-9643-OE 2023-WTW-12672-OE 2023-WTW-12673-OE

2023-WTW-12674-OE 2023-WTW-12676-OE 2023-WTW-12679-OE 2023-WTW-12679-OE 2023-WTW-12682-OE 2023-WTW-12683-OE 2023-WTW-12691-OE 2023-WTW-12692-OE

Increase to 3700 feet AMSL 2022-WTW-9607-OE 2022-WTW-9609-OE 2022-WTW-9617-OE 2022-WTW-9618-OE 2022-WTW-9622-OE 2022-WTW-9624-OE 2022-WTW-9627-OE 2022-WTW-9628-OE 2022-WTW-9630-OE 2022-WTW-9632-OE 2022-WTW-9634-OE 2022-WTW-9636-OE 2022-WTW-9638-OE 2022-WTW-9639-OE 2023-WTW-12677-OE 2023-WTW-12680-OE 2023-WTW-12681-OE 2023-WTW-12686-OE 2023-WTW-12687-OE 2023-WTW-12689-OE

2023-WTW-12690-OE

Increase to 3800 feet AMSL 2023-WTW-12688-OE

The following structures increase the Minimum Vectoring Altitude (MVA) at Springfield ATCT/TRACON (SGF) Springfield, MO. SGF_MVA_FUS5_2021 MVA increase SGF Sector I from 3200 feet AMSL to as much as 3700 feet AMSL. NEH 2249 feet AMSL.

Increase to 3500 feet AMSL 2022-WTW-9620-OE 2022-WTW-9633-OE

Increase to 3600 feet AMSL 2022-WTW-9606-OE 2022-WTW-9616-OE 2022-WTW-9619-OE 2022-WTW-9621-OE 2022-WTW-9640-OE

Increase to 3700 feet AMSL 2022-WTW-9622-OE 2022-WTW-9624-OE 2022-WTW-9630-OE 2022-WTW-9632-OE 2022-WTW-9634-OE d. Section 77.17(a)(4): A height within an en route obstacle clearance area, including turn and termination areas, of a Federal Airway or approved off-airway route, that would increase the minimum obstacle clearance altitude.

The following proposed turbines would Increase the Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude (MOCA) along V140 HARRISON (HRO) VORTAC 261 degree Radial to FIX GREEM from 3500 feet AMSL to 3700 feet AMSL, and FIX GREEM 261 degree Radial to FIX SPRAY from 3500 feet AMSL to as much as 3800 feet AMSL. NEH 2500 feet AMSL.

Increase to 3600 feet AMSL 2022-WTW-9619-OE 2022-WTW-9620-OE 2022-WTW-9633-OE 2022-WTW-9640-OE 2023-WTW-12673-OE 2023-WTW-12674-OE 2023-WTW-12675-OE

Increase to 3700 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9606-OE

2023-WTW-12676-OE

2022-WTW-9607-OE

2022-WTW-9609-OE

2022-WTW-9611-OE

2022-WTW-9616-OE

2022-WTW-9617-OE

2022-WTW-9618-OE

2022-WTW-9621-OE

2022-WTW-9622-OE

2022-WTW-9624-OE

2022-WTW-9627-OE

2022-WTW-9628-OE

2022-WTW-9630-OE

2022-WTW-9632-OE

2022-WTW-9634-OE

2022-WTW-9641-OE

2022-WTW-9642-OE

2022-WTW-9643-OE

2023-WTW-12672-OE

2023-WTW-12678-OE

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Increase to 3800 feet AMSL

2022-WTW-9636-OE 2022-WTW-9638-OE 2022-WTW-9639-OE 2023-WTW-12677-OE 2023-WTW-12680-OE

3. TITLE 14 CFR PART 77 - EFFECT ON AERONAUTICAL OPERATIONS

a. Section 77.29 (a)(1): the impact on arrival, departure, and en route procedures for aircraft operating under visual flight rules.

At a height greater than 499 feet AGL, the proposed wind farm would extend into airspace normally used for VFR en route flight and may be located within 2 statute miles (SM) of potential VFR Routes as defined by FAA Order 7400.2, Section 6-3-8. The turbines within 2 SM of a VFR Route would have an adverse effect upon VFR air navigation. Further study is required to determine whether the structures would affect a significant volume of VFR en route traffic. NEH = 499 feet AGL.

b. Section 77.29(a)(6): effect on ATC radar, direction finders, ATC tower line-of-sight visibility, and physical or electromagnetic effects on air navigation, communication facilities, and other surveillance systems.

The FAA found that all 46 proposed wind turbines would be within Radar Line of Sight (RLOS) of the Fayetteville, AR (FYV) ASR-9 radar facility. Since they are visible to the ASR-9, they could cause unwanted primary-only returns (clutter) and primary-only target drops, all in the immediate area of the turbines. Additionally, tracked primary-only targets could diverge from the aircraft path and follow the wind turbines, when aircraft are over or near the wind farm.

The following turbines would have a physical and/or electromagnetic radiation effect upon the HRO (Boone County) VOR/DME due to the prediction of excessive course error. A degradation of service can be expected. Preliminary review math modeling analysis conducted determined predicted impacts would not be acceptable to long term planned NAS use. The FAA National Airspace System (NAS) transition the Performance Based Navigation (PBN) using Global Positioning System (GPS). The VOR infrastructure in CONUS is being repurposed to provide a conventional backup navigation service during potential GPS outages. This backup infrastructure is known as the VOR Minimum Operating Network or MON. The agency is retaining long term need of the HRO VOR facility as part of the MON critical infrastructure. Provision: A NEH of 591' AGL for each structure would minimize proposal impact(s) to an acceptable level commensurate with the previous approved etermination(s). There is a risk to the VOR service in all areas around the VOR affecting all Victor Airways for this facility. If the tubines are not lowered to the NEH, then a reimbursable agreement is required to be entered upon by the proponent with the FAA in order to mitigate the anticipated NAS facility/service impacts. Please contact the NAS Planning and Integration, Airport Planner in the CSA Planning & Requirements (P&R) group. Airport Planner. Miguel Negrete; Lead Planner (NM, 0K, AR, West TX); (817) 222-4619 Miguel.Negrete@faa.gov.

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4. SUBSTANTIAL ADVERSE EFFECT

The following turbines would have a physical and/or electromagnetic radiation effect upon the HRO (Boone County) VOR/DME due to the prediction of excessive course error. A degradation of service can be expected. Preliminary review math modeling analysis conducted determined predicted impacts would not be acceptable to long term planned NAS use. The FAA National Airspace System (NAS) transition the Performance Based Navigation (PBN) using Global Positioning System (GPS). The VOR infrastructure in CONUS is being repurposed to provide a conventional backup navigation service during potential GPS outages. This backup infrastructure is known as the VOR Minimum Operating Network or MON. The agency is retaining long term need of the HRO VOR facility as part of the MON critical infrastructure. Provision: A NEH of 591' AGL for each structure would minimize proposal impact(s) to an acceptable level commensurate with the previous approved etermination(s). There is a risk to the VOR service in all areas around the VOR affecting all Victor Airways for this facility. If the tubines are not lowered to the NEH, then a reimbursable agreement is required to be entered upon by the proponent with the FAA in order to mitigate the anticipated NAS facility/service impacts. Please contact the NAS Planning and Integration, Airport Planner in the CSA Planning & Requirements (P&R) group. Airport Planner. Miguel Negrete; Lead Planner (NM, 0K, AR, West TX); (817) 222-4619 Miguel.Negrete@faa.gov.

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5. SPONSOR ACTIONS

To pursue the possibility of receiving a favorable determination at the originally requested height, further study would be necessary. Further study may include coordination with the affected air traffic control facilities and/or a 37 day public comment period. The outcome cannot be predicted prior to the completion of further study. If you have questions regarding this Notice of Preliminary Findings, you may contact Buck Reynolds via email at (Wayne.Reynolds@faa.gov).

A REQUEST FOR FURTHER STUDY MUST BE MADE WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OF THIS LETTER.

ACRONYMS & ABBREVIATIONS AGL, Above Ground Level AMSL, Above Mean Sea Level ARP, Airport Reference Point ARSR, Air Route Surveillance Radar

ARTCC, Air Route Traffic Control Center

ASN, Aeronautical Study Number

ASR, Airport Surveillance Radar

ATC, Air Traffic Control

ATCT, Air Traffic Control Tower

CARSR, Common Air Route Surveillance Radar

CAT, Category

CFR, Code of Federal Regulations

CG, Climb Gradient

DA, Decision Altitude

DME, Distance Measuring Equipment

FAA, Federal Aviation Administration

FUS, Fusion

GPS, Global Positioning System

IAF, Initial Approach Fix

IAP, Instrument Approach Procedure

ICA, Initial Climb Area

IFR, Instrument Flight Rules

INT, Intersection

LAT, Latitude

LNAV, Lateral Navigation

LOC, Localizer

LONG, Longitude

LP, Localizer Performance

LPV, Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance

MDA, Minimum Descent Altitude

MEA, Minimum En route Altitude

MET, Meteorological Evaluation Tower

MIA, Minimum IFR Altitude

Min, Minimum

MOCA, Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude

MSA, Minimum Safe Altitude

MSL, Mean Sea Level

MVA, Minimum Vectoring Altitude

NA, Not Authorized

NAS, National Airspace System

NAVAID, Navigational Aid

NDB, Non-Directional Radio Beacon

NEH, No Effect Height

NM, Nautical Mile

NOTÂM, Notice to Airmen

NPF, Notice of Preliminary Findings

OCS, Obstacle Clearance Surface

OE, Obstruction Evaluation

OEG, Obstruction Evaluation Group

Part 77 - Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 77, Safe, Efficient Use and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace.

P-NOTAM, Permanent Notice to Airmen

RLOS, Radar Line of Sight RNAV, Area Navigation RNP, Required Navigation Performance RWY, Runway S-, Straight-in SE, Site Elevation S-LOC, Straight-in Localizer SM, Statute Miles Std., Standard TAA, Terminal Arrival Area TACAN, Tactical Air Navigation System TERPS, Terminal Instrument Procedures TPA, Traffic Pattern Airspace TRACON, Terminal Radar Approach Control V, Victor Airway

VFR, Visual Flight Rules

VHF, Very High Frequency

VOR, VHF Omnidirectional Radio Range System

VORTAC, VOR/TACAN System

WTE, Wind Turbine East

WTW, Wind Turbine West

Sectional Map for ASN 2022-WTW-9607-OE

