## NOTICE OF MEPA CONSULTATION SESSION and \COMMENT PERIOD EXTENSION

EEA No. 15964 Martha's Vineyard Airport Capital Improvement Plan Projects, West Tisbury and Edgartown

**Project Description**: An Environmental Notification Form (ENF) has been filed with the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs by the Martha's Vineyard Airport Commission to implement the projects identified in the 2016 Capital Improvement Plan listed below:

- 1. Runway 6/24 Side Safety Areas and Primary Surface Obstruction
- 2. Rehabilitate Runway 15/33 and Regrade Side Safety Areas
- 3. Construct Concrete Fuel Pad at Fuel Farm
- 4. Expand and Renovate Existing Terminal Building
- 5. Remove Existing Taxiway E and Construct New Taxiway E
- 6. Pave Transient Turf Tie Down Area
- 7. Southeast Ramp Expansion
- 8. Southwest Ramp Expansion
- 9. Construct New Aircraft Hangars

The projects will cumulatively alter 118.1 acres of land, add 17.4 acres of impervious area, add 549 parking spaces and alter 21.4 acres of rare species habitat.

The project requires MEPA review through a Mandatory EIR pursuant to 301 CMR 11.03(1)(a)(1), direct alteration of 50 or more acres of land and 301 CMR 11.03(1)(a)(2), creation of ten or more acres of impervious area. The project requires a Conservation and Management Permit from the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program and may require an indirect Access Permit from MassDOT. The project is receiving funding from MassDOT for environmental studies.

A public consultation session will be held to receive advice and comments from agencies, officials, and citizens regarding which environmental issues, if any, are significant for this project. Opinions as to the extent and significance of possible environmental impact will be welcome.

The Proponent has requested an extension of the comment period. On behalf of the Secretary, the request is granted. The deadlines below reflect the extended comment period.

**Consultation session scheduled for:** Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 11:00 AM. We will meet in the Airport Commission Chambers at the Martha's Vineyard Airport Fire Station, 71 Airport Road, West Tisbury.

MEPA comments due on or before: January 29, 2019

**Certificate due**: February 8, 2019

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