

## Part 610 – National Environmental Compliance Handbook

### Subpart H – Exhibits

#### 610.135 Sample Notice of Intent to Adopt an EA or EIS

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**Notice of Intent To Adopt Final Environmental Impact Statement Prepared for Sky Harbor International Airport Master Plan Update Improvements by the U.S. Air Force, Phoenix, Maricopa County, AZ**

The United States Air Force and the Air National Guard announce their intent to adopt the Sky Harbor Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the provisions of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR para 1506.3). The U.S. Air Force has reviewed the Sky Harbor EIS and determined that the EIS adequately addresses the environmental impacts related to the proposed action for the relocation of the 161st Air Refueling Wing (ARW) at Sky Harbor. As the federal entity responsible for funding airport improvements, the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Western-Pacific Region had City of Phoenix prepare the Sky Harbor EIS for airport master plan improvements. The relocation of the 161 ARW is proposed so that a third runway be constructed at Sky Harbor as part of master plan improvements. The relocation or shifting of the 161 ARW will require demolition of most of the existing facilities of the 161st ARW and reconstruction on a portion of the present land along with a new area provided to the south. The 161 ARW is on leased real estate which is owned by the City of Phoenix and controlled by the airport. The U.S. Air Force executive action to be made is whether to proceed with a land exchange agreement for the replacement of facilities and amend the lease to reflect the exchange of real estate. The Air Force and Air National Guard will accept comments at the address below for a 30 day period from the date of this notice. For further information concerning adopting the Sky Harbor EIS, actions being taken by the Air Force and Air National Guard, or to provide written comment, contact:

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