

Notice of Availability/ Draft Environmental Assessment
and Notice of Opportunity for a Public Meeting
Proposed Tree Obstruction Clearing
Charles W. Baker Airport

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) is reviewing a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed land acquisition and removal of tree obstructions to the 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 77 (20:1) approach and other surfaces of the north end of Runway 18/36 at Charles W. Baker Airport (2M8) to ensure the safety of air traffic approaching and taking off from the airport. The area proposed for tree obstruction clearing is approximately 100 acres in size, located north of Fite Road and 2M8 Runway 18/36 and west of Raleigh Millington Road. The project is proposed in three phases; Phase I and II would be completed within 1 year (removing approximately 20 acres of upland and 33 acres of forested wetlands) and Phase III would be completed thereafter (25 acres of upland and 3 acres of stream buffer zones).

The purpose of the Draft EA is to address how the project would potentially impact economic, social, and environmental resources. The Draft EA will be available for review on the MSCAA website, www.FlyMemphis.com. Click the "About MEM" tab then navigate to the "Environment" page. An electronic version of the document is also available upon request through the MSCAA contact listed below. Members of the public may issue comments on the Draft EA within **30** days of this notice, until October 7, 2022, or request a public meeting within **15** days of this notice (request must be made by September 22, 2022). Comments or requests for an electronic copy of the Draft EA or the request to hold a public meeting should be addressed to the MSCAA contact, Mr. James Hay, MEM Director of Development by phone at (901) 922-8224 or by email at jhay@flymemphis.com or Stephanie Saloom, TDOT Transportation Program Monitor by phone at (615) 741-0851 or by email at aero.environmental@tn.gov.