



MIDAMERICA ST. LOUIS AIRPORT
COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR, ILLINOIS
Notice of Pending Public Notice



A Public Notice Of Availability Of Draft Environmental Assessment For Public Review And Notice Of Opportunity For A Public Meeting for the subject project is anticipated to be issued on this website and published in the Belleville News Democrat within 30 days of this date (06/26/25).

The public comment period will be open for 15 days.

The formal Public Notice is pending final FAA review and will be posted as soon as available.

Project Title: MidAmerica St. Louis Airport Tree Obstruction Removal

Project Description: St. Clair County, Illinois-MidAmerica St. Louis Airport (BLV), in consultation with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), is studying alternatives to protect the airspace around the BLV and improve the safety of BLV approaches and operations. Alternatives studied include: the No-Action Alternative, Tree Obstruction Removal-North Service Route, Tree Obstruction Removal-South Service Route, Revise FAA Criteria, Relocate the BLV Runway, and the Proposed Action. The Proposed Action consists of removing approximately 109 acres of existing and future tree obstructions and the construction of a permanent service route in order to manage the vegetation and prevent future obstructions. A Vegetation Management Plan has been developed to aid in the management of existing and future trees and other vegetation. Impacts to wetlands have been coordinated with the US Army Corps of Engineers and a mitigation plan is in effect. Coordination with the US Fish & Wildlife Service and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources occurred to determine if threatened or endangered species could be impacted. The proposed tree clearing would occur between November 1st through March 31st of any given year to avoid impacts to threatened and endangered bat species.

Project Location: BLV is the civilian portion of a joint-use airfield with Scott Air Force Base in Mascoutah, St. Clair County, Illinois, approximately 20 miles east of downtown St. Louis, Missouri.