Lake Hood Regulation Review

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LHD Governance

- Alaska Statute Title 2 Aeronautics
 - Supervision of aeronautics assigned to DOT&PF
 - DOT&PF shall adopt regulations
- Alaska Administrative Code Title 17 DOT&PF
- Title 17 Chapter 42 International Airports (TSAIA & FIA)
 Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport means all of the land and facilities of the international airport at Anchorage, including Lake Hood Seaplane Base, Lake Hood Strip, and other general aviation facilities
- Chapter 42 Article 5 TSAIA Tie-down Permits
- Leases and Permits
- TSAIA Operations Manual

Review Focus Areas

Chapter 42 Article 5 - TSAIA Tie-down Permits (17 AAC 42.500-599)

- Eligibility
- Application, permit duration, renewal, cancelation
- Wait list, switch list process
- Authorized activities and limitations
- Maintenance of tie-down/slip
- Permit retention

TSAIA Operations Manual Section 5 - LHD

- Surface use and safety restrictions
- Gravel strip operations
- Noise reduction
- Preferential water lane use
- Aircraft wash facility
- Surface closure decision matrix

Some User Inputs

- Persons drafting regulations should have experience operating at LHD
- Wait list procedures need to be examined to ensure fairness and shorten the wait time
- Commercial use should not have priority over the wait list
- Regulation should allow that a non-pilot aircraft owner can obtain a slip/tie-down permit
- Student pilot should be allowed to get a slip/tie-down
- Slip/tie-down permits should include married partner
- Permits should not be automatically transferred to family members
- Permits should be automatically transferred to qualified family members
- Enforce current regulations more diligently; example, collect data to ensure spots are used regularly by the permit holder and sub-leasing is deterred
- Liability insurance or mitigation should be provided by the state since LHD is open to public access
- Regulations and enforcement restricting the public from accessing the aircraft-only parts of LHD
- One-size fits all insurance for businesses at ANC/LHD is burdensome for the smaller operators
- Regulations from ANC should not generally overlap into LHD; leasing, permits, security, fees
- Non-aeronautical activities are too prevalent
- Use restrictions unfairly limit the amount an aircraft owner can conduct non-LHD operations
- Aircraft owner should be able to have more than one wheeled tie-down
- Separate LHD from ANC

Regulations Timeline

Oct 2016 - Lake Hood User Group Introduction

Nov-Dec 2016 – Public input

Dec-Jan 2017 – Draft change proposals

Jan-Feb 2017 – Public notice and consideration of comments

If change proposals move forward:

March 2017 – Agency attorney review/DOT&PF adoption decision

April-May 2017 – Regulations attorney review/Lt Gov approval decision

June 2017 – Possible date for regulations to take effect

Thank you

Website for reviewing regulations Search for 17 AAC 42.500 at

http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/aac.asp

Website for reviewing Operations Manual

http://dot.alaska.gov/anc/business/operations