

FAA News



Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, D.C. 20591

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 27, 2016

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

FAA TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING ON NEW AIR TRAFFIC PROCEDURES FOR CHARLOTTE DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will hold a meeting to brief the public on new air traffic control procedures for flights at Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT) that will be effective on July 21, 2016.

WHO: Dennis Roberts, Regional Administrator, FAA Southern Region

WHEN: July 13, 2016, 6 to 8 pm

WHERE: Bette Rae Thomas Recreation Center, Multi-Purpose Room AB, 2921 Tuckaseegee Road, Charlotte, NC 28208.

WHY: The FAA is establishing three new Standard Instrument Departure (SID) procedures for flights departing to the south. The initial departure tracks are the same as aircraft fly today. However, the departure tracks split into three different directions when the aircraft are at or above an altitude of 3,000 feet.

The FAA also is establishing five new Standard Terminal Arrival Routes (STAR) for flights arriving at CLT from the southeast and southwest. The flight tracks are similar to current flight paths below 16,000 feet. Four of the new STARs are satellite-based procedures; one STAR is a conventional, ground-based navigational procedure.

The FAA conducted an Environmental Assessment (EA) of the changes, which included three public workshops in the Charlotte area, in December 2014 and January 2015. The EA resulted in a Finding of No Significant Impact in June 2015.

The changes are part of the FAA's Metroplex initiative, a comprehensive plan to improve the flow of air traffic at airports in major metropolitan areas nationwide.

###

