

2020 Airport Master Plan



Paine Field

By the numbers

As of 2018, Paine Field (PAE) supports 158,227 jobs and has a total economic impact/business revenue of \$59.9 billion annually. It has the highest economic impact of any airport in the state of Washington.

The airport has two parallel runways for arrivals and departures: Runway 16L/34R serves general aviation aircraft, while the 9,010-foot-long Runway 16R/34L accommodates large jet aircraft, up to and including the largest aircraft in the world.

In its first 12 months of service, the privately-owned and operated commercial passenger terminal at PAE welcomed approximately 1 million passengers. These passengers were utilizing the 24 arrivals and 24 departures each day before the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted air travel.

In 2019, there were approximately 710 total aircraft operations per day, over 90% of which are general aviation, and it is home to approximately 535 general aviation-based aircraft.

During times of emergency, say an earthquake or other natural disaster, Paine Field provides much-needed transportation capacity and flexibility for government planners.

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A strategic vision for Paine Field

An Airport Master Plan is a long-range planning document that recommends a strategy for development of airport land and facilities. The plan's goal is to prepare the county's airport to support the needs of the future. The plan will also ensure the airport balances our economic, environmental, and social values.

The Master Plan is informed by Snohomish County residents, government agencies, chambers of commerce, civic groups, environmental organizations, business leaders, and others with an interest in the airport. The Master Plan will ultimately be approved by County Executive and the Snohomish County Council, and then submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for acceptance. The current **Paine Field Master Plan** was adopted by the Snohomish County Council on December 4, 2002 and accepted by the FAA on November 13, 2003.

Developing our future together

Paine Field Airport, which is owned and operated by Snohomish County on behalf of its residents, values our community, and we need your input as we develop a plan for the coming decades. Public outreach will occur at key milestones during the project to enable the public to review and comment. In addition, this website will provide informational updates as the plan is developed and will include ways for the public to provide ongoing input.





Process

Developing the Master Plan is a two-phase process that we expect to take two and a half years, if all goes according to plan, concluding in 2023.

Phase One

Phase One started in 2020 and ended in spring 2021. It included information gathering and study, and we used the information we gathered to develop options for how the airport can develop over the next 20 years. These ideas helped us to develop **preliminary alternatives**.

During Phase One, we engaged with the community through open houses, website updates and other information sharing.

Phase Two

During Phase Two, we'll evaluate the preliminary alternatives and come up with a single **preferred alternative**. Once a preferred alternative has been identified, we'll study environmental impacts, implementation scenarios, and projected financial viability for the alternative.

During this phase, we'll also engage with the community through public meetings, post updates to this website, and host online open houses.