

# King County International Airport/Boeing Field Master Plan Update



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The King County International Airport—also known as Boeing Field—is in the process of updating its Airport Master Plan, a process that will be completed in 2018. This updated plan will serve as a 20-year roadmap for the layout and improvement of the airport's facilities.

## What is an Airport Master Plan?

An airport master plan is a comprehensive study that describes ways to best satisfy local aviation demands while meeting the strictest aviation safety standards. Master plans are required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to be eligible for federal grants. The new plan will guide the airport's land use and capital projects for years to come.

## Why are we updating the Master Plan now?

It has been 12 years since our current plan was adopted, and projects in that plan have largely been completed. The Master Plan Update will identify possible new projects that will:

- Help to ensure the airport's long-term viability
- Enhance airport safety
- Ensure that the airport can continue receiving federal funding through the FAA
- Further King County's goals for economic prosperity, environmental stewardship and community partnership

## The Master Plan update process

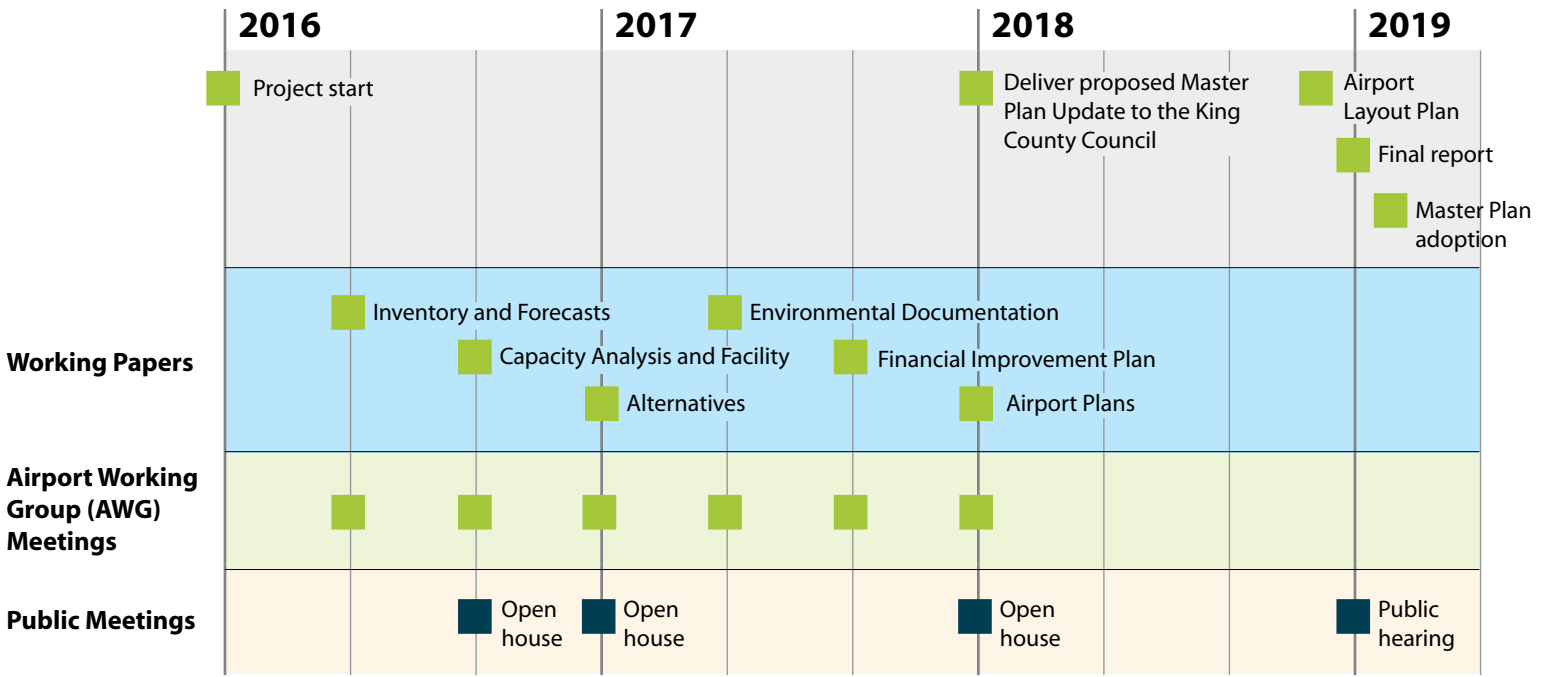
King County oversees the airport's Master Plan Update process. The planning process will analyze existing airport conditions, identify future facility needs and outline possible alternatives to meet those needs. It centers around a series of technical working papers researched and drafted by third-party experts:

- Inventory and Forecasts
- Capacity Analysis and Facility Requirements
- Alternatives
- Environmental Documentation
- Financial Improvement Plan
- Airport Plans

A proposed Master Plan Update will be delivered to the King County Council in late 2017, and upon its adoption will inform the airport's proposed 2019-2020 biennial budget. Stakeholder input is an important part of the planning process. The plan will incorporate feedback from residents, airport tenants and users, an Airport Working Group, airport staff and jurisdictional partners, including the FAA.

## About the Airport

Boeing Field is owned and managed by King County. The airport currently hosts about 150 tenant businesses, who altogether employ a workforce of over 5,000 employees and generate \$3.5 billion in local economic activity. Boeing Field is one of the nation's busiest general aviation airports, and supports a diversity of activities, including cargo, corporate, military, passenger and recreational aviation.

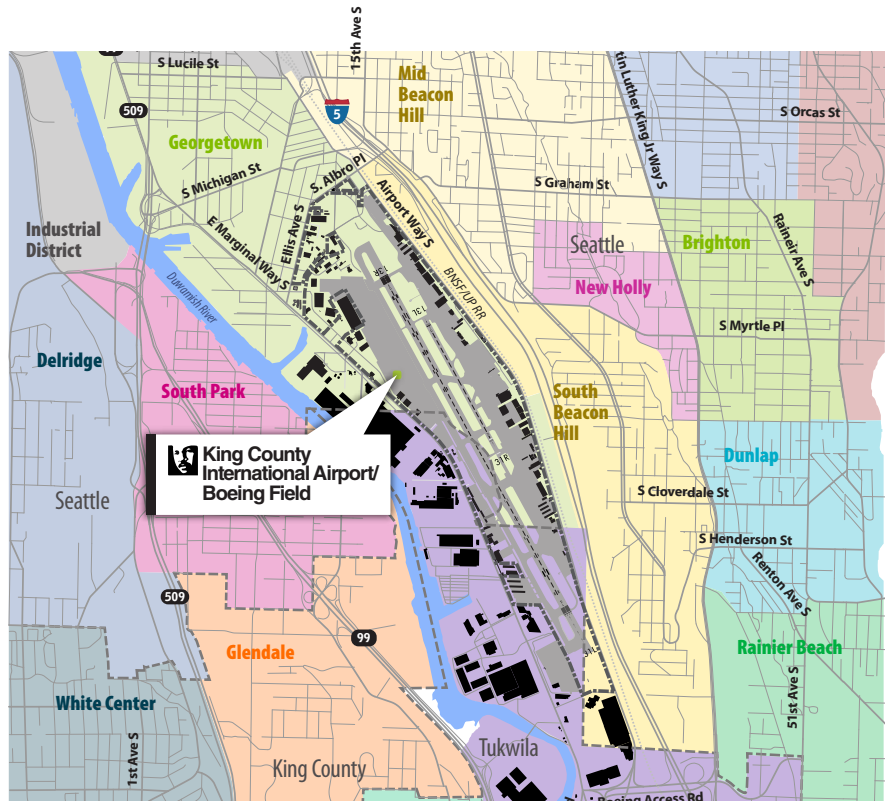


## Airport Working Group and public involvement

King County has assembled an Airport Working Group (AWG) representing diverse interests to review and discuss the technical working papers.

AWG members include pilot and business tenant representatives, representatives from other aviation-related businesses, local labor, economic development, environmental, as well as community and neighborhood interests.

In addition, the airport is seeking community input throughout the plan development process, and at key project milestones through a series of public meetings. Stakeholder and community perspectives will inform the analysis and content of the Master Plan Update.



### Stay Informed

King County wants to keep the broader community informed of the airport’s Master Plan Update process. There are several ways to get involved:

- Visit our website to learn more, access project documents, and find out about open houses and other meeting dates: [www.kingcounty.gov/airport](http://www.kingcounty.gov/airport)
- Get the latest news on the Centerline Blog: [kingcountyaairportblog.com](http://kingcountyaairportblog.com)
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