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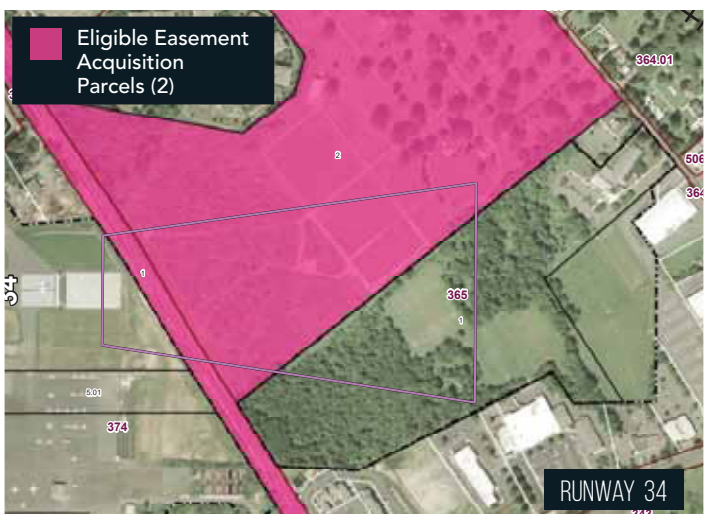
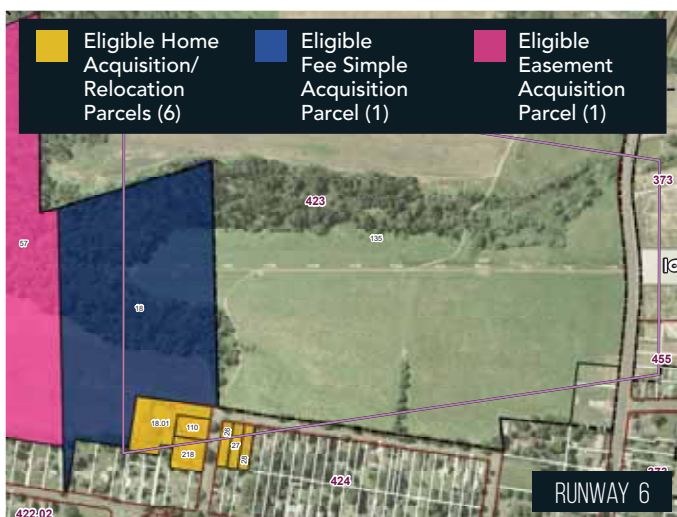
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## VOLUNTARY LAND ACQUISITION PROGRAM

The Runway Protection Zone (RPZ) and Obstruction Mitigation Environmental Assessment project was completed in September 2019 with the Federal Aviation Administration issuing a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)/Record of Decision (ROD). The next step is to begin the **voluntary land acquisition program**. Thirteen property owners are eligible to participate in the **voluntary program** that includes:

- Fee simple acquisition/relocation of six residential properties
- Fee simple acquisition of one state-owned parcel
- Avigation easements on six parcels

The voluntary land acquisition program will comply with Uniform Relocation Assistance and the Real Property Acquisition Policy Act of 1970.



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## PROPERTY OWNER COORDINATION

Letters were mailed to specific property owners in October 2019. The letters identified owners' eligibility to participate in the **Voluntary Land Acquisition and Obstruction Mitigation Program**. Based on responses to letters, two property owners are participating in the fee simple acquisition/relocation program. Two additional property owners have expressed potential interest in the program. Appraisals, Environmental Site Assessments (ESA), and boundary surveys are ongoing. You may continue to see people in the neighborhood as this work is ongoing.

## NEXT STEPS

Continue coordination/meetings with property owners interested in the program

Meet with property owners interested in the program

Conduct appraisals, ESA, and boundary surveys on properties proceeding further

Provide purchase/easement offer to property owner

Property owner & Board of Commissioner approval of purchase/County acquires property/easement

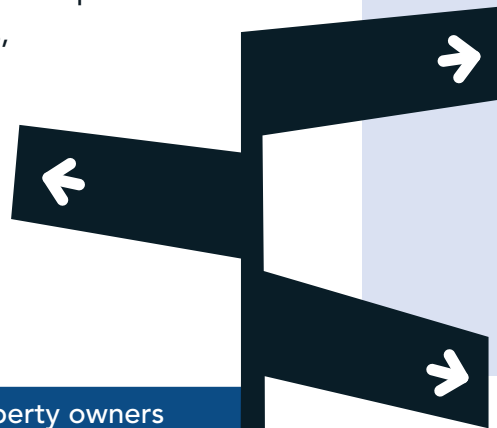
Residential properties - disconnect utilities/board up windows until demolition contract is bid/awarded

Demolish residential structures, backfill site, return to mowed lawn

## PROJECT UPDATE

Since receiving the FONSI/ROD, the Board of Commissioners has:

- Approved acquisition of one residential parcel



## QUESTIONS?

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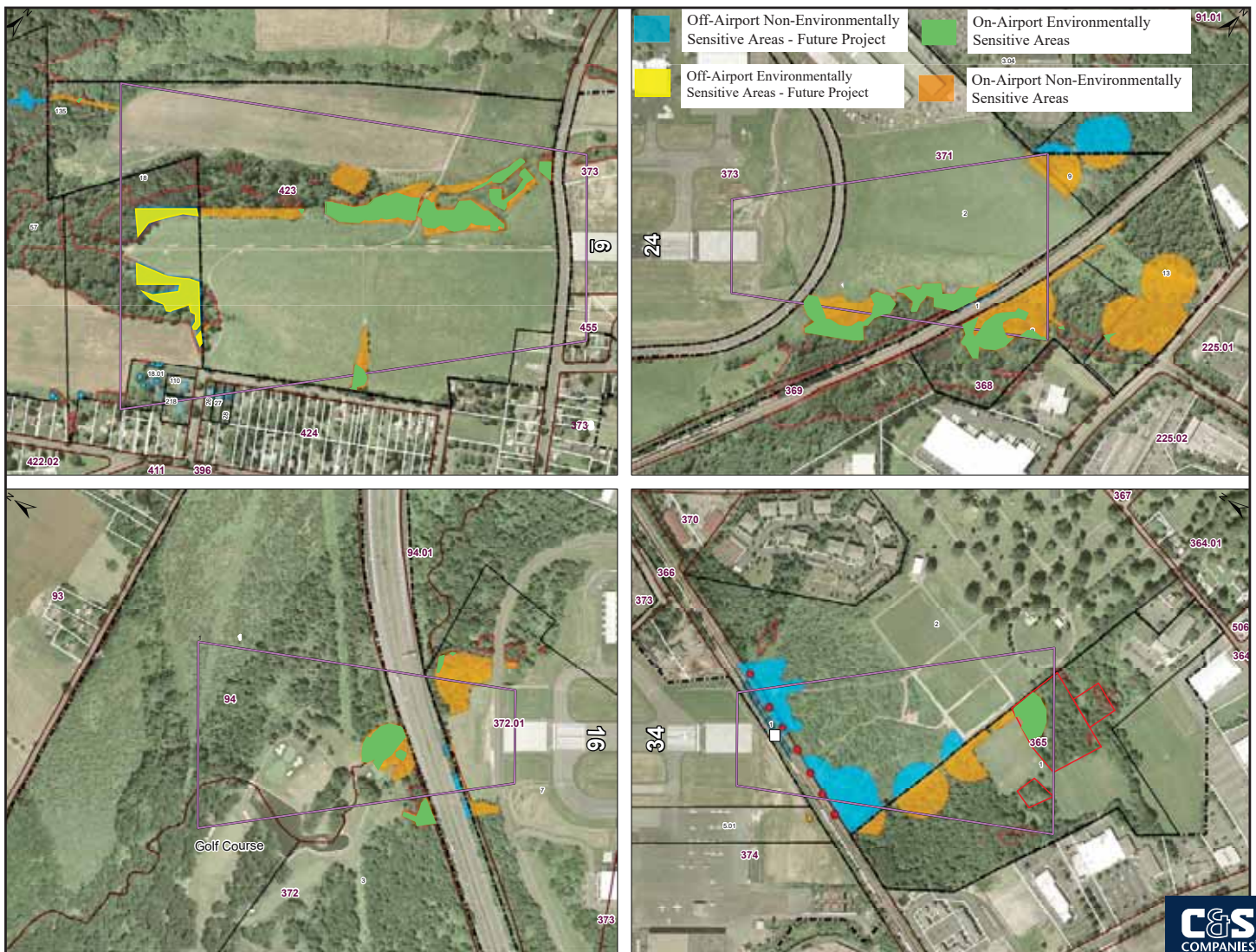
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## DESIGN & PERMITTING

This involves the on-airport portion of design and permitting for the RPZ and Obstruction Mitigation Project. The on-airport project includes addressing non-environmentally sensitive and environmentally sensitive areas located on airport and county-owned property. This portion of the project includes tree clearing and grubbing areas, areas of tree cutting leaving stumps in place, areas that are within archaeologically sensitive areas (which require hand cutting), and a tree screen replanting plan. Coordination with environmental agencies for permitting include the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for a Fresh Water Wetland and Flood Hazard Area permit, the Mercer County Soil Conservation District, and the Delaware & Raritan Canal Commission.





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## PROJECT UPDATE

Since receiving the FONSI/ROD, the Board of Commissioners has:

- Approved contract for on-airport obstruction removal (design and permitting)

## NEXT STEPS

- Conduct wetlands delineation and survey of wetlands boundaries on airport, county, and state parcels
- Begin permitting process

## QUESTIONS?

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