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MEMORANDUM

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TO: CIRA Tenants  
FROM: Derek Snyder, Deputy Executive Director  
DATE: July 1, 2024  
SUBJECT: General Aviation Facility Construction – Runway 11/29 Closure

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**Background:**

The General Aviation (GA) Facility Construction Projection will relocate the current GA aircraft storage area to a new location on existing Airport Authority property within the current perimeter fence. The project will involve the construction of a new apron, taxiway, and small aircraft hangars. This work became necessary because the pavement at the current 1970's GA facility no longer meets FAA specifications, and the hangars can no longer be safely maintained. Phase I was completed in 2023.

**Construction Update:**

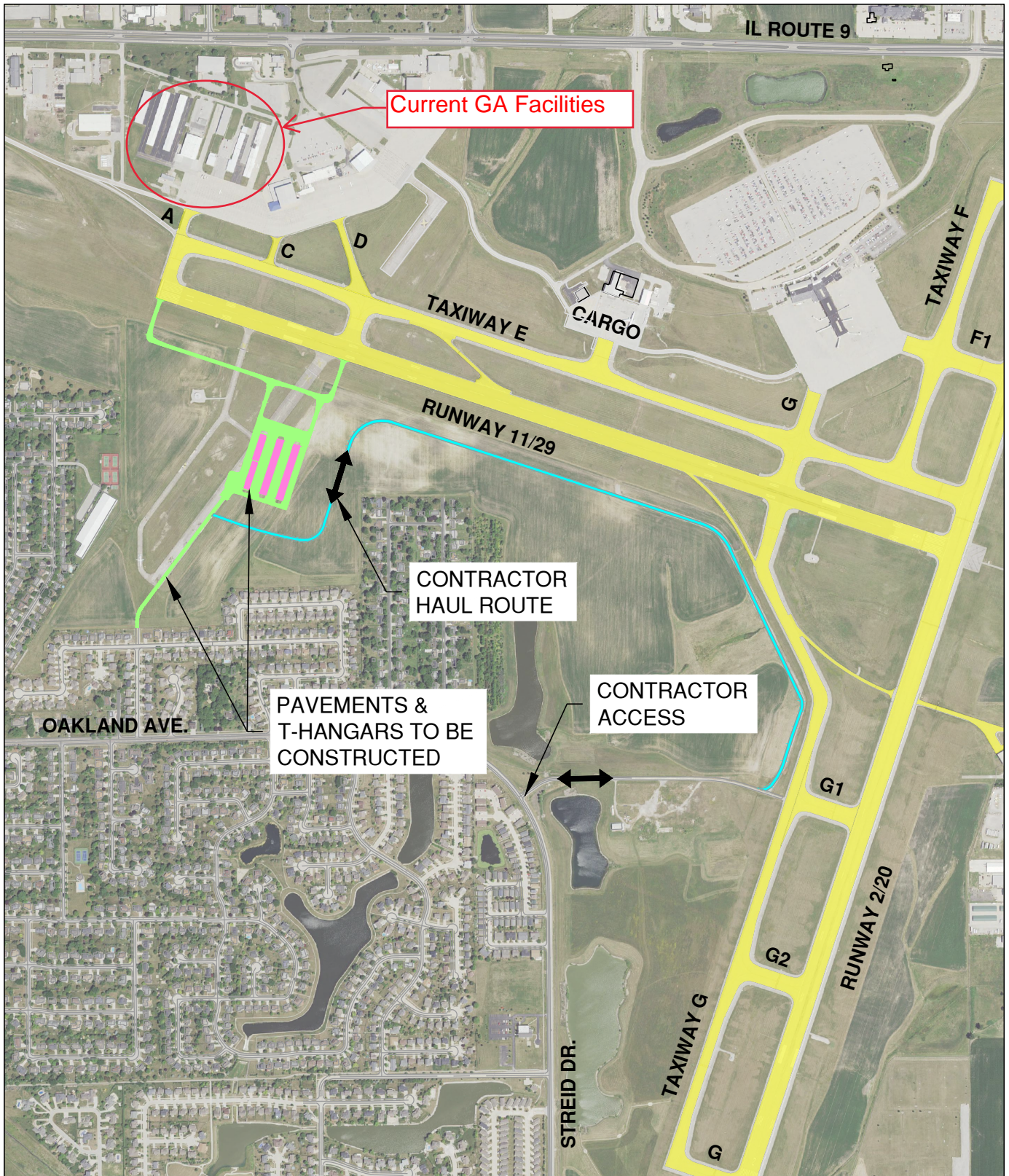
On Thursday June 6, 2024, the Bloomington Normal Airport Authority (BNAA) began Phase II of the GA Facility Construction Projection. Phase II (proposed June through November of 2024) is the final construction phase of the project and includes hangar foundations and construction, utility tie in and connection, new perimeter fence and gate installation, and subbase and final pavement for the new apron and taxiway system. Depending on the weather and schedule, paint markings and topsoil seeding may be completed in Spring of 2025, if necessary.

**Runway Closure:**

Portions of work to be completed within Phase II are located inside the Runways Safety Area (RSA) of Runway 11/29 (i.e., construction and connection of new taxiways to runway, and final surface grading). This will require Runway 11/29 to be closed for 70 consecutive calendar days beginning August 5, 2024. The runway is scheduled to reopen on Monday October 14, 2024. During this 70-day closure, Runway 2/20 will be used as the primary runway, and all NAVAIDS associated with Runway 11/29 will be OTS. Should the work inside the RSA be completed ahead of schedule, notification will be sent.

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