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## Grand Canyon National Park Calendar Announcement

DATE: February 15, 2006  
 For Immediate Release  
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**WHAT:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the National Park Service (NPS), as co-lead agencies in the environmental process, intend to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) related to overflights at Grand Canyon National Park. This EIS will address environmental and related impacts that may result from actions to be proposed and alternatives to be developed to achieve the statutory mandate of Public Law 100-91, commonly known as the Overflights Act, to provide for the substantial restoration of the natural quiet and experience of Grand Canyon National Park (GCNP). The FAA and NPS are inviting the public, agencies, and other interested parties to provide comments, suggestions, and input regarding: scope, issues, and concerns related to development of proposed and alternative actions that provide for the substantial restoration of natural quiet and experience of GCNP and protection of public health and safety from significant adverse effects associated with all aircraft overflights; past, present and reasonable foreseeable future actions which, when considered with any alternatives, may result in significant cumulative impacts; and potential alternatives.

**WHO:** The FAA and the NPS invite the public, agencies, and other interested parties for their input as the EIS is initiated. Anyone interested in providing input and offering ideas about how to achieve substantial restoration of natural quiet in the Park or would like to learn more about the EIS process is encouraged to attend.

**WHEN/WHERE:** *All meetings will be in an open house format, and there will be no formal presentation. The public is invited to stop by at any time from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.*

<p><b>Phoenix, Arizona – 2/21/06</b>          Glendale Community College          6000 W. Olive Avenue          Glendale, AZ 85302  <a href="http://www.gc.maricopa.edu/ma">www.gc.maricopa.edu/ma</a></p>	<p><b>Flagstaff, Arizona – 2/22/06</b>          Museum of Northern Arizona          3101 N. Ft. Valley Rd          Flagstaff, AZ 86001  <a href="http://www.musnaz.org/">http://www.musnaz.org/</a></p>	<p><b>Las Vegas, Nevada – 2/23/06</b>          Henderson Convention Center          200 Water Street          Henderson, NV 89015  <a href="http://www.visithenderson.com/index01.html">www.visithenderson.com/index01.html</a></p>
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**WHY:**

The publication of the NPS and FAA Notice of Intent in the Federal Register initiated a 90-day public scoping and comment period. Scoping comments will be accepted through April 27, 2006.

Interested parties can submit oral and/or written comments at the public meeting representing the concerns and issues they believe should be addressed. Written comments can also be mailed to:

Docket Management System  
Doc No. FAA-2005-23402  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20590-0001

**PUBLIC CONTACT:**

Additional information can be found on the Grand Canyon joint FAA/NPS website: <http://overflights.faa.gov>