SEATTLE-TACOMA INTL AIRPORT

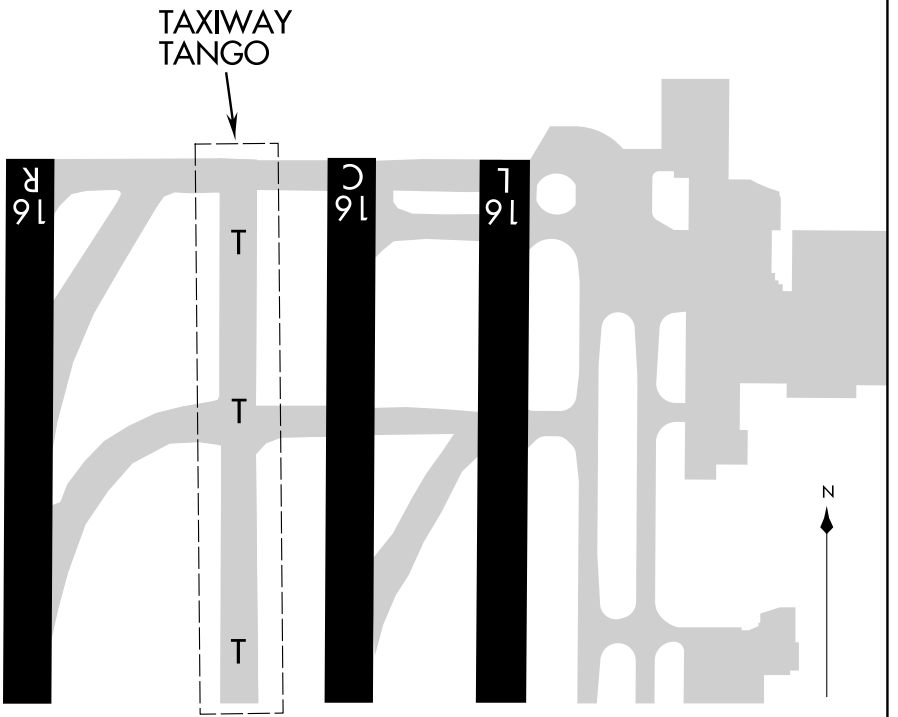
ALERT NOTICE

ATTENTION ALL AIRCRAFT LANDING TO THE SOUTH:

When transitioning from an instrument procedure to a visual approach to Runway 16C, verify you are aligned for the intended landing Runway, not Taxiway Tango. Taxiway Tango is west and parallel to Runway 16C.

TRANSITION TO VISUAL:

Taxiway Tango has been mistaken for Runway 16C from the air during certain visibility conditions, i.e., wet runway, low sun angle reflections. Aircrews are advised to be aware of the proximity of the taxiway to Runway 16C and its runway-like appearance while on approach.

RECOMMENDATION:

Aircrews should use visual cues, e.g., approach lighting systems, REILs, when available, to confirm alignment with Runway 16C not Taxiway Tango. Additionally, it is recommended when executing a segment of the ILS approach for a visual transition, track the localizer until the runway environment is visually verified.