

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DECLARATION**

**Sacramento International Airport
Sacramento, California**

**RVRCT THREE DEPARTURE (RNAV) (Amend)
SCTWN THREE DEPARTURE (RNAV) (Amend)**

Description of Action:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is proposing to amend the RVRCT THREE DEPARTURE (Area Navigation [RNAV]) and the SCTWN THREE DEPARTURE (RNAV) procedures serving Sacramento International Airport (KSMF), Sacramento, California.

The primary change to the departure procedures would be to replace the KENNO transition with a new SHUFL transition north of the KENNO transition. The operational and safety benefits of the SHUFL transition would address conflicts with air traffic resulting from the Las Vegas Metroplex, which was implemented on February 25, 2021. Ensuring the routes are not in conflict would enhance safety by avoiding a potential loss of separation between aircraft. The Proposed Action would also ensure routes are clear of Restricted Area 4807 (R-4807).

The following table describes the proposed procedure amendments. No change in the fleet mix or increase in air traffic operations is anticipated.

Procedures	Description of Proposed Changes
RVRCT THREE DEPARTURE (RNAV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The KENNO transition would be removed.• The SHUFL transition would be added.• An at or above (AOA) 9,000 feet (ft) mean sea level (MSL) (approximately 7,000 ft above ground level [AGL]) restriction would be added at DNGER waypoint (WP).• An AOA 14,000 ft MSL (approximately 8,000 ft AGL) restriction would be added at DOSCO WP.
SCTWN THREE DEPARTURE (RNAV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The KENNO transition would be removed.• The SHUFL transition would be added.• An AOA 9,000 ft MSL (approximately 7,000 ft AGL) restriction would be added at DNGER WP.• An AOA 14,000 ft MSL (approximately 8,000 ft AGL) restriction would be added at DOSCO WP.• An AOA 2,300 ft MSL (approximately 2,270 ft AGL) restriction would be added at SCTWN WP.

In accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, Paragraph 5-2, “Extraordinary Circumstances,” the FAA has reviewed the proposed amendments for factors and circumstances in which a normally categorically-excluded action may have a significant environmental impact requiring further analysis. The FAA has determined that no extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant additional environmental review.

Declaration of Exclusion:

The FAA has reviewed the above referenced proposed action and it has been determined, by the undersigned, to be categorically excluded from further environmental documentation according to FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*. The implementation of this action will not result in any extraordinary circumstances in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F.

Basis for this Determination:

An Initial Environmental Review (IER) was completed and reviewed by the Western Service Center. This review was conducted in accordance with policies and procedures in Department of Transportation Order 5610.1C, *Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts*, and FAA Order 1050.1F.

The applicable categorical exclusion is:

5-6.5.i. - Establishment of new or revised air traffic control procedures conducted at 3,000 feet or more above ground level (AGL); procedures conducted below 3,000 feet AGL that do not cause traffic to be routinely routed over noise sensitive areas; modifications to currently approved procedures conducted below 3,000 feet AGL that do not significantly increase noise over noise sensitive areas; and increases in minimum altitudes and landing minima.

Recommended by:**Air Traffic/Airspace Manager Review/Concurrence**

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