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Subject: Proposal to Decommission the Noatak Nondirectional Beacon

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The Noatak Airfield (WTK) is being relocated which will require the relocation of the Noatak Nondirectional Beacon and Distance Measuring Device (OQK NDB/DME). In order to avoid the cost of relocation we are studying the possibility of decommissioning OQK NDB/DME.

OQK NDB/DME supports color airway B3 and the Noatak NDB instrument approach. There are no other instrument approaches or airways to Noatak. To mitigate these impacts a GPS instrument approach procedure has been developed and will be published 9-13-2018. Secondly, a T Route can also be developed to replace the loss of B3 color airway.

Interested parties who wish to comment or receive further information regarding the proposed decommissioning may contact Mark Payne, NISC III contract support, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center at (425) 203-4515 or by email at Mark.CTR.Payne@FAA.GOV.

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