



Memorandum


**U.S. Department of
Transportation**

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of Transportation

Office of Inspector General

Subject: INFORMATION: Notification of Audit
of FAA's Operational Evolution Plan

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The Office of Inspector General is initiating a review of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Operational Evolution Plan (OEP). This plan represents FAA's commitment to meet the demand for air travel in the United States for the next decade and includes new technologies as well as new runways. The September 11th terrorist attacks against the United States have prompted a shift in priorities from enhancing capacity to ensuring the security of air travel.

The objectives of this review are to: (1) assess the full range of costs associated with implementing the OEP, (2) examine how the events of September 11, 2001, the economic downturn, and new security requirements impacted the milestones and budgets of key OEP initiatives, and (3) assess the critical path issues for achieving the anticipated capacity benefits.

This audit is planned for FAA Headquarters and other locations as deemed necessary during our review.

We will contact your audit liaison to arrange an entrance conference. The Program Director for this audit is Matt Hampton. If you have questions or need additional information, please call Mr. Hampton at (202) 366-1987.

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