

2.0 AUTHORITY

The WHMP will be executed through the authority of the JNU Airport Manager who bears the responsibility according to 14 CFR Part 139.337. This regulation asserts that the certificate holder is the party responsible for wildlife hazard management at the airport. The JNU Airport Manager derives his authority from the City and Borough of Juneau as the person responsible for the daily administration and safe operating conditions of JNU. Safety is thus the primary concern driving wildlife hazard management operations. Safety concerns will override all other competing interests in the event that the immediate safety of passengers and/or aircraft is threatened. The goal of all authority derived from this WHMP is to increase the safety of passengers and aircraft operating at JNU.

There will be two groups of people bearing responsibilities pertaining to the WHMP. The first group of people is those with direct responsibility for implementing the plan at JNU. The second group of people are those belonging to the Wildlife Hazard Advisory Group (WHAG) whose responsibility it is, to provide oversight and suggestions for improving the WHMP.

2.1 PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING THE WHMP

1. Airport Manager
2. Wildlife Coordinator (Airfield Maintenance and Operations Superintendent or designee)
3. Wildlife Patrol (Field Maintenance Personnel)
4. Airport Planner
5. USDA-Wildlife Services Personnel

All persons listed above must communicate to the Wildlife Coordinator *immediately* upon observation of any of the following conditions:

- A change in airfield conditions resulting in a sudden increase in wildlife numbers on the airport (this could include weather conditions, salmon runs, etc.).
- The report of a damaging wildlife strike.
- The observation of new hazardous wildlife species not currently listed on state and federal wildlife control permits.

The titles of Wildlife Coordinator and Wildlife Patrol will be used only in this WHMP to delineate the specified functional roles played by the Airfield Maintenance and Operations Superintendent, and Field Maintenance personnel. Actual job titles for these persons will remain the same as those currently held.

AIRPORT MANAGER

- Provide oversight for all aspects of the WHMP including, public relations, wildlife control operations (including assignment of duties), and habitat management.
- Review the WHMP every 12 consecutive months and update as necessary (see Section 2.2).

- Coordinate with the Airport Planner and a Wildlife Damage Biologist when considering new or altered structural or land use designs to ensure compliance with wildlife hazard management goals.
- Communicate with the appropriate resource agencies regarding airport wildlife hazard issues.

WILDLIFE COORDINATOR

- Supervise, coordinate, and monitor wildlife control activities as outlined in the WHMP (Section 5).
- Conduct wildlife control activities as needed.
- Maintain written records of all wildlife control activities and ensure that they are entered into a computer database on a regular basis.
- Report all wildlife strikes to the FAA online via the wildlife strike reporting website.
- Maintain an adequate supply of pyrotechnics, ammunition, firearms, propane tanks, and other equipment necessary to conduct daily wildlife control operations.
- Maintain cooperative relationship with local representative of ADF&G and airport tenants.
- Implement habitat management goals according to the timetable in Section 4.2.

WILDLIFE PATROL

- Carry out daily wildlife hazard patrols and wildlife control actions according to the schedule outlined in Section 5.3.1.
- Report all wildlife strikes to the Wildlife Coordinator.
- Implement habitat modification goals under the direction of the Wildlife Coordinator.
- Remove carcasses or food debris that may attract scavenging wildlife.
- Record all wildlife control actions on an airport wildlife control data sheet.
- Immediately report sudden increases in wildlife numbers to the Wildlife Coordinator.

AIRPORT PLANNER

- Provide necessary oversight for habitat management projects.
- Review the WHMP every 12 consecutive months and update as necessary (see Section 2.2).

USDA-WILDLIFE SERVICES (WS) PERSONNEL

- Provide necessary assistance for all wildlife hazard management activities and WHMP review as specified in the cooperative agreement between USDA-Wildlife Services and the airport. *Many of the responsibilities listed under the Wildlife Coordinator have been assumed by WS personnel.*

2.2 PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR REVIEWING THE WHMP

Members of this group are referred to collectively as the Wildlife Hazard Advisory Group (WHAG). The purpose of including the following persons as part of the WHAG is to ensure that they are made aware of the airports plan and commitment to reducing wildlife hazards at JNU. Members of the public wishing to give input on wildlife hazard management operations at JNU may do so in writing to the Wildlife Coordinator.

1. Airport Manager
2. Wildlife Coordinator
3. Airport Planner
4. Wildlife Damage Biologist (WS personnel)
5. FAA Certification and Safety Inspector

AIRPORT MANAGER

- Conduct a review of the WHMP every 12 consecutive months along with the Airport Projects Manager to determine if changes are needed.
- Coordinate an annual meeting of the WHAG to review the plan. (Not all members of the WHAG may need to be in attendance. Plan review can be conducted individually).
- Provide an up-to-date version of WHMP to all members of the WHAG.
- Provide information on the most recent state and federal wildlife control permits.

WILDLIFE COORDINATOR

- Conduct a review of the WHMP every 12 consecutive months along with the Airport Planner to determine if changes are needed.

- Suggest changes to Wildlife Control Procedures and Habitat Management Sections as needed.
- Keep current list of personnel trained in wildlife control procedures.

AIRPORT PLANNER

- Review the WHMP for consistency with other airport projects, particularly those involving habitat management. Ensure that airport projects do not create a hazardous wildlife attractant.
- Participate in reviews of proposed land use changes for JNU and surrounding area to ensure that hazardous wildlife attractants are not created.

WILDLIFE DAMAGE BIOLOGIST

- Inform and advise the Wildlife Coordinator of new or improved wildlife hazard management techniques and tools.
- Provide advice for wildlife control personnel regarding wildlife species identification, proper use of control techniques, and wildlife strike reporting.
- Train all wildlife control personnel in bird identification and the safe handling and proper use of wildlife dispersal methods and equipment.
- Assist JNU in reviewing proposed land use changes, construction plans, and mitigation projects for potential wildlife hazards to aircraft.
- Provide any necessary assistance in reviewing and editing the WHMP.

FAA CERTIFICATION AND SAFETY INSPECTOR

- Review changes or edits to the WHMP to ensure compliance with 14 CFR Part 139.337 and suggest changes to ensure compliance with Part 139.337.
- Assist JNU in reviewing proposed land use changes, construction plans, and mitigation projects for potential wildlife hazards to aircraft.