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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.

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