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Dear BOSTAC and CAC Members

Good Afternoon all...

Attached is our best effort at the scope of work for the next phase of the Boston Noise Study. We are confident that this approach is the best strategy for completion of the study at Logan Airport

We struggled with how best to identify tasks in the Scope of Work (SOW), while accounting for all of the variables associated with the analysis of any potential alternatives in the environmental process. Additionally, there were struggles in the attempt to define tasks associated with further development of alternatives associated with PRAS. For both the EIS portion of this study as well as the reassessment of the PRAS, we kept coming back to the great number of variables surrounding both of these efforts.

In our experience and that of the consultants, attempting to cost out these efforts would simply be guessing and not a productive use of federal resources. We asked the consultants to repackage the SOW. They were instructed to consider the EIS and reassessment of the PRAS under Phase 3.

Near the conclusion of Phase 2, we will be better able to make an informed decision, after moving through the alternatives development process on the appropriate level of environmental review that will be required. At that time, we will be able to define the scope of work and associated costs that relate to the environmental process, PRAS, and the implementation and monitoring of any alternatives.

Unless there are any red flag items or showstoppers, it is our goal to begin the grant application process with Massport and to secure the funding for the Phase 2 work effort within the next 30 days. Our unwavering commitment is to provide this study with the technical direction, support and resources committed to in the 2002 Record of Decision.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at (718) 553-4558.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S Kelley".

Steve Kelley