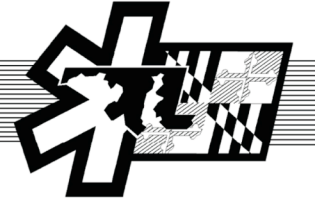


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Community Meetings Regarding Possible Relocation of MSP Trooper 6 Base

The Maryland State Police (MSP) Aviation Command has requested that the Maryland Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board approve the relocation of Trooper 6, currently based in Centreville, to the Easton Airport. The potential for base relocation is possible due to the fact that the MSP Aviation is assuming the aviation law enforcement responsibilities of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). DNR is vacating its hangar at Easton which makes that space potentially available for use by the MSP Aviation. MSP believes this relocation could have significant safety advantages since the Easton Airport site has several runways for emergency landing, instrument landing systems, and air traffic controllers during much of the day.

The EMS Board has directed the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS) to inform the public and to solicit public input regarding this proposed relocation. Two separate community meetings will be held to inform the public of this proposal and to solicit comments. The first meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, July 7, 2009, at the Chester River Hospital Conference Room, located at 100 Brown Street in Chestertown, Maryland. The second meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Thursday, July 9, 2009, at the Easton Volunteer Fire Department which is located at 315 Aurora Park Drive in Easton, Maryland.

Members of the MSP Aviation Command will be available to provide information and answer questions from members of the community about the potential base relocation. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meetings.

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