With an anticipated opening of the North Runway by September 30, it is all hands on deck to complete the work required for inspections and certifications. The contractor is working seven days a week, day and night, to achieve the remaining tasks. In the past two weeks, several milestones have been accomplished or near in completion:

- All concrete paving was completed on September 16. Smoothness testing is ongoing.
- Asphalt paving is scheduled for completion on September 26.
- Completion of the east Engineered Material Arresting System (EMAS)* bed is expected on September 26.

As part of Broward County’s Public Art and Design Program, artist Peter Agardy created a design for the jet blast deflector at the west approach end of the North Runway. The deflector protects the public and airport employees from the exhaust blast as jets prepare to takeoff. FLL decided to take a corrugated metal panel and convert it to public art. Agardy’s work is called “In Flight” and includes flying fish with an egret in flight followed by Broward County’s skyline, the American flag, and our nation’s own bald eagle. The project is believed to be the first-of-its-kind on a commercial airport’s airfield. Next time you travel out of FLL on this runway, look out your window and enjoy the beautiful artwork.

**PROGRESS TO DATE**

Here are some accomplishments as of Week 16 of the 120-day project:

- Sealing of concrete pavement joints
- All approach light foundations poured
- 60,000+ tons of asphalt installed
- Painting of runway pavement markings continues
- 200,000+ linear feet of lighting cable installed
- Sod placement on finished infield areas
- Drainage installation completed

**REMAINING SCHEDULE**

- Runway work: Day 113 of the four-month project more than 90 percent complete
- North Runway: Expected to reopen by September 30
- Taxiway Work: October 2019 to March 2020
- Estimated Project Completion: March 2020
PROGRESS PHOTOS: SEPTEMBER 7 - 18, 2019
Paving Along Edge of Runway's Keel

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Pouring of Final Foundations

Public Art "In Flight" on Jet Blast Deflector

Check out the drone footage of the project on YouTube.

*The EMAS beds, mandated by the FAA, are critical safety components with runway overrun space constraints.