

#### 4.02.03 Site Design Standards for the Valdosta Regional Airport Overlay District (VLD)

##### Generally

1. Airport zoning regulations are important for both the protection of airspace and land **use** compatibility in relation to the airport. The regulations set forth in this section are intended to prevent encroachment into the **runway protection zones**, airspace zones, and noise zones of the Valdosta Regional Airport. Further, these regulations are intended to ensure that **structures**, such as but not limited to telecommunication towers/cellular antennas, **buildings**, water tanks, smokestacks, power lines, and cranes, are not erected too close to the airport.
  2. The specific purposes of the regulations set forth in this section are:
    - i. To protect the health, safety, and welfare of **persons** and the value of property within the vicinity of the Valdosta Regional Airport in Lowndes County, Georgia;
    - ii. To provide for the safe and efficient operation of the Valdosta Regional Airport;
    - iii. To ensure the safety of flyers using the Valdosta Regional Airport from hazards to air navigation;
    - iv. To ensure compatibility between Valdosta Regional Airport and surrounding land **uses**; and
    - v. To protect the Valdosta Regional Airport from encroachment of incompatible **uses**, **structures**, and natural growth.
  3. Illustrations and additional details regarding FAA designations of approach zones, surface zones, **runways**, and other physical features of the airport layout may be found in *FAA Advisory Circular 150* and in the *Airport Master Plan Update*, dated April 2001, prepared for the Valdosta – Lowndes County Airport Authority.
1. **Runway protection zones** are established within the VLD **Overlay District**. These protection zones are described on the Part 77 Plan, and as depicted on drawing “6 of 8” in the *Airport Master Plan Update*.
  2. This section establishes standards that apply to any **development, use**, alteration, **structure**, or natural growth on any **lot** or portion thereof, which is in whole or in part contained within the boundaries of the VLD **Overlay District**. The standards and criteria apply only to that portion of the subject property within the boundaries of the VLD **Overlay District**. These standards and criteria shall be applied in **addition** to the site design standards for the underlying **zoning district**. In the event of a conflict between the requirements of the VLD **Overlay District** and the underlying **zoning district**, the stricter standard shall apply.
  3. The provisions of this section do not require any change in the **construction**, or intended **use** of any **structure**, the **construction** or