

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY – PERIOD EXTENDED NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

U.S. Department of Transportation – Federal Aviation Administration
City of Los Angeles, California – Los Angeles World Airports

DRAFT MASTER PLAN DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

THE FOLLOWING IS NOTICE OF A 60-DAY EXTENSION OF AVAILABILITY FOR THE JOINT DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND NOTICE THAT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES WORLD AIRPORTS (LAWA) INTEND TO HOLD SIX ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARINGS REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES ADDRESSING PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (LAX).

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT - On January 18, 2001, the Federal Aviation Administration and the City of Los Angeles, as lead agencies, along with the Federal Highway Administration, as a cooperating agency, published a joint Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the proposed LAX Master Plan to fulfill the federal agencies' statutory requirements of the National Environmental Protection Act of 1969 (NEPA) and the City's statutory requirements under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The joint Draft EIS/EIR provides complete descriptions of the environmental conditions, in and around LAX, the potential environmental impacts associated with each alternative, mitigation measures to address potential impacts, and other information required by NEPA and CEQA. THE PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD IS EXTENDED AN ADDITIONAL 60-DAYS TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC A TOTAL OF 240 DAYS TO REVIEW THE DOCUMENT. WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THIS DOCUMENT UNTIL 5:00 P.M., PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME, **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2001**. All documents, including the Draft LAX Master Plan and Draft EIS/EIR and all technical reports and appendices, are available for review at the locations listed in this notice.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - Pursuant to Section 509(b)(6) of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, as amended [49 CFR Section 47106(c)(1)(A)], notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Transportation – Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) intend to hold **six additional Public Hearings** regarding environmental studies addressing proposed improvements at LAX.

On June 9, 2001, the FAA and LAWA held three Public Hearings to afford interested parties the opportunity to provide comments on the Draft LAX Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the purpose of considering the environmental, economic, and social effects of the development and its consistency with the goals and objectives of such urban planning as has been carried out by the community. Six additional Public Hearings will be held by the FAA and LAWA to afford interested parties the opportunity to provide comments. The Public Hearings will start with a one-hour workshop to describe the project using display boards and other types of media. Following the workshop, the public will be invited to speak at each location. Written comments may be submitted anytime during the Public Hearings or as otherwise indicated below. **NO DECISIONS ON THE PROJECT WILL BE MADE AT THE PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

AIRTEL PLAZA HOTEL

7277 Valjean Avenue
Van Nuys, CA 91406
(818) 997-7676

Tuesday, September 11, 2001
5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m.

RADISSON WILSHIRE PLAZA HOTEL

3515 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213) 368-3009

Wednesday, September 12, 2001
5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m.

LUMINARIAS RESTAURANT

3500 Ramona Boulevard
Monterey Park, CA 91765
(323) 268-4363

Friday, September 14, 2001
5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m.

PECK PARK

560 N. Western Avenue
San Pedro, CA 90732
(310) 548-7580

Saturday, September 15, 2001
9:00a.m. – 1:00p.m.

PALMDALE REGIONAL AIRPORT

41000 N. 20th Street East
Palmdale, CA 93550
(661) 266-7602

Wednesday, September 19, 2001
5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m.

ONTARIO AIRPORT MARRIOTT

2200 E. Holt Boulevard
Ontario, CA 91761
(909) 975-4106

Thursday, September 20, 2001
5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m.

As a covered entity under Title II of the American with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and, upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. The Public Hearings and parking facilities are wheelchair accessible. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, and other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided if requested a minimum of 72-hours prior to the specified Public Hearing, by calling (310) 417-2343.

PROPERTY INVOLVED: LAX is located in the western portion of the City of Los Angeles and generally bounded by Westchester Parkway and Arbor Vitae on the north; La Cienega Boulevard on the east; Imperial Highway on the south and Pershing Drive on the West.

PROJECT PROPOSAL: The Draft EIS/EIR analyzes the following alternatives:

Alternative "A" would add a new runway to the north airfield. The existing northern runways would be relocated to increase the lateral spacing between all three runways. The improvements included in Alternative A would enable LAX to accommodate approximately 98 Million Annual Passengers (MAP), 4.2 Million Annual Tons (MAT) of cargo and approximately 2,700 daily flights by 2015.

Alternative "B" would add a new runway to the south airfield. The existing southern runways would be relocated north to increase the lateral spacing between all three runways. Completion of the improvements included in Alternative B would allow LAX to accommodate approximately 98 MAP, 4.2 MAT of cargo and approximately 2,700 daily flights by 2015.

Alternative "C" would not add any runways to the airfield. The northernmost runway would be relocated and the southernmost north airfield runway would be lengthened to accommodate larger aircraft. Completion of the improvements included in this alternative would allow LAX to accommodate approximately 89 MAP, 4.2 MAT of cargo and 2,300 daily flights by 2015.

For Alternatives A, B, and C, there are several common improvements:

- Construct a new west entrance and terminal with additional aircraft gates, rental car facilities and parking
- Construct a people mover connecting the new parking facilities and the new west terminal to new concourses and all other terminals
- Create an LAX Expressway originating at the San Diego (I-405) Freeway and connecting to an airport ring road that accesses terminals and cargo areas
- Extend the light rail Green Line directly into LAX
- Improve the taxiway/taxilane system on both the north and south airfields
- Construct new internal roadways and cargo facilities
- Build out the vacant area in the northernmost portion of LAX with a new development called Westchester Southside, containing 2.6 million square feet of mixed uses to benefit the residents of Westchester and to accommodate the retail, office, light industrial, and educational uses displaced by the land acquisition program

In accordance with the President's Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), a No Action/No Project Alternative has also been analyzed. The "**No Action/No Project**" **Alternative** assumes that no new improvements will be made at LAX before 2015, with the exception of certain projects that are already planned and approved at the airport. Capacity and operating constraints would allow for future annual passenger growth to approximately 79 MAP and the accommodation of approximately 3.1 MAT of cargo and approximately 2,279 daily flights by 2015.

SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROJECT – Implementation of any of the "build" alternatives (i.e. Alternatives A, B, and C) is expected to result in some significant and unavoidable impacts on the environment. As described in the Draft EIS/EIR, such impacts occur relative to the following topics: Noise; Land Use; Surface Transportation; Social Impacts; Air Quality; Historic, Architectural, Archaeological, Cultural and Paleontological Resources; Health Effects of Noise; Human Health and Safety; and Schools. Under the No Action/No Project Alternative, impacts related to many of these, and other, topics would be comparatively greater (worse) than those of the build alternatives. Chapter 4 of the Draft EIS/EIR provides complete analyses of the environmental impacts associated with the draft LAX Master Plan alternatives and identifies mitigation measures recommended to reduce or eliminate potentially significant impacts. Pursuant to CEQA Section 21092.6, lists relating to hazardous waste have been consulted and listed sites have been identified at, and near, the location of the draft LAX Master Plan alternatives, and information regarding contamination at each site has been provided in Technical Report 13 of the Draft EIS/EIR. Section 4.23 of the Draft EIS/EIR addresses the relationship of such sites to the Master Plan alternatives and, as concluded therein, no significant impacts related to hazardous materials/wastes are expected to occur.

Of the four alternatives considered, including the No Action/No Project Alternative, LAWA has identified Alternative "C" as its Staff-Preferred Alternative.

REVIEW OF PROJECT: The FAA and the City of Los Angeles encourage interested parties to review the Draft LAX Master Plan and Draft EIS/EIR and provide written comments on the Draft EIS/EIR by 5:00 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time, Monday, September 24, 2001. Comments may be provided in any of four ways: (1) written comments submitted at the Public Hearings; (2) oral comments recorded by a court reporter at the Public Hearings; and written comments submitted to the following:

(3)	Mr. David B. Kessler, AICP U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration AWP-611.2 P.O. Box 92007 Los Angeles, CA 90009-2007	or	(4)	Mr. Jim Ritchie City of Los Angeles Los Angeles World Airports Master Plan Office P.O. Box 92216 Los Angeles, CA 90009-2216
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All documents, including the Draft LAX Master Plan and Draft EIS/EIR and all technical reports and appendices, are available for review at the locations listed below. Review days and hours vary by location. Additionally, documents referenced in the Draft EIS/EIR are available for review in the Public Reading Room at the Proud Bird Restaurant located at 11022 Aviation Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90045, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES LIBRARIES

Central Library
630 W. Fifth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90071

Eagle Rock Branch Library
5027 Caspar Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90042

Exposition Park Regional Library
3665 S. Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90007

**Francis Howard Goldwyn/
Hollywood Regional Library**
1623 N. Ivar Avenue
Hollywood, CA 90028

Mid-Valley Regional Library
16244 Nordhoff Street
North Hills, CA 91343

North Hollywood Regional Library
5211 Tujunga Avenue
North Hollywood, CA 91601

San Pedro Regional Library
931 S. Gaffey Street
San Pedro, CA 90731

Venice Branch Library
501 S. Venice Blvd.
Venice, CA 90003

Westchester Branch Library
8946 Sepulveda Eastway
Westchester, CA 90045

West Los Angeles Regional Library
11360 Santa Monica Blvd.
West Los Angeles, CA 90025

West Valley Regional Library
19036 Vanowen Street
Reseda, CA 91335

OTHER LOCAL LIBRARIES

Carson Library
150 E. 216th Street
Carson, CA 90745

Claremont Library*
208 North Harvard Avenue
Claremont, CA 91711

Compton Library
240 W. Compton Blvd.
Compton, CA 90220

Culver City Library
4975 Overland Avenue
Culver City, CA 90230

El Monte Library*
3224 Tyler Avenue
El Monte, CA 91731

El Segundo Library
111 W. Mariposa Avenue
El Segundo, CA 90245

Gardena Mayme Dear Library*
1731 West Gardena Blvd.
Gardena, CA 90247

Hacienda Heights Library*
16010 La Monde Street
Hacienda Heights, CA 91745

Hawthorne Library
12700 Grevillea Avenue
Hawthorne, CA 90250

Hermosa Beach Library
555 Pier Avenue
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

Huntington Park Library*
6518 Miles Avenue
Huntington Park, CA 90255

Inglewood Library
101 W. Manchester Blvd.
Inglewood, CA 90301

Lancaster Library*
601 W. Lancaster Boulevard
Lancaster, CA 93534

Lennox Library
4350 Lennox Blvd.
Lennox, CA 90304

Lomita Library*
24200 Narbonne Avenue
Lomita, CA 90717

Malibu Library*
23519 West Civic Center Way
Malibu, CA 90265

Manhattan Beach Library
1320 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach Library

Marina del Rey Lloyd Taber Library*
4533 Admiralty Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Montebello Library*
1550 West Beverly Boulevard
Montebello, CA 90640

San Dimas Library*
145 North Walnut Avenue
San Dimas, CA 91773

View Park Library*
3854 West 54th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90043

West Hollywood Library*
715 North San Vicente
Boulevard
West Hollywood, CA 90069

Willowbrook Library
11838 Wilmington Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90059

Wiseburn Library*
5335 West 135th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90059

Woodcrest Library*
1340 West 106th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90044

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11022 Aviation Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90045

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Administration Building
Ontario, CA 91761

Palmdale Regional Airport
39516 N. 25th Street East
Palmdale, CA 93550

Van Nuys Airport
16461 Sherman Way, Ste. 300
Van Nuys, CA 91406

John Wayne Airport
3160 Airway Avenue
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

OTHER LOCATIONS

Federal Aviation Administration
Office of the Airports
Division
15000 Aviation Blvd.
Hawthorne, CA 90261

Los Angeles County Clerk
EIR Desk
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Los Angeles City Clerk
200 N. Main Street, Room 607
Los Angeles, CA 90012

South Bay Council of Governments
3031 Torrance Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90503

The Draft EIS/EIR and Draft LAX Master Plan can also be viewed at www.laxmasterplan.org

Para asistencia en Español, favor comunicarse con Hector Huevo a (310) 646-9107.