



RIVERSIDE FLIGHT PLAN

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AIRPORT PROJECT UPDATE

There have been a lot of different construction projects going on over the past several months that affect a majority of the tenants on the airport. This appears to be a perfect time to update you on their status

The reconstruction of **Taxiway "A"** is complete. I appreciate everyone's patience during the project, especially our Port A Port tenants. We attempted to reduce the impact on airport tenants as much as possible and I believe we reached that goal. All of the taxiway lights are now LED and I think everyone would agree they look great.

The **ASOS** is again operational! The relocation of the ASOS was a painfully slow process. Before we removed the ASOS from its original location on the west end of the airport, we had a site near the VOR that we believed had been approved by all the proper agencies. Unfortunately, this turned out to be incorrect. The National Weather Service had issues with the site near the VOR so we had to go back to square one. It ultimately took nearly 9 months to get all the different government agencies to sign off on a new location. The ASOS is now located on a site near the rotating beacon. The actual construction work took just over 10 days and the hooking up of the different components took an additional 4 days.

Over the past couple of months, the **ILS** has been out of service. During that time, the FAA has rebuilt the localizer system along with upgrading all of the electronics. This upgrade was funded completely by the FAA. The flight test is scheduled for the first of August and the ILS should be up and operational as you read this.

After four very frustrating years, the **VOR** may finally become operational. The Contractor will finish up all of their work by mid August and then the rest of the installation is up to the FAA. Once the Contractor is finished, the FAA has informed me that they have about two weeks of work to complete the Doppler installation. If all goes well, the VOR should be flight tested and operational sometime in September or October. ➔

TERMINAL REMODELING MOVES FORWARD

The much discussed Terminal remodeling has begun. Under the heading of doing the last item first, we have already replaced the Terminal seating. We also plan on changing the ceiling to include new lighting and updated A/C venting. The Terminal seating area will also be painted and new tile and carpet will be installed. The elevator is scheduled to be updated and remodeled.

The handicapped parking in front of the terminal is being brought up to current standards and the front awning will be removed. This will require us to install steel supports inside the terminal building. The mural located in the seating area is going to be removed and windows will be restored in that area. New automatic doors will also be installed. Future plans include putting protective metal caps on all of the protruding exterior beams.

A new Airport Conference Room will be constructed on the first floor of the terminal along with assorted exterior upgrades. You should see many changes over the next few months. ➔

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NICOLE BRYANT IS THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE AIRPORT

Please join us in welcoming Nicole Bryant, Administrative Analyst, to the Riverside Municipal Airport. Nicole has been with the City for more than 7 years and comes to us most recently from the General Services Department, as a Real Property Assistant. Nicole became an official member of our team on Friday, August 8, 2008, and will be replacing long-time Airport Operations Coordinator, Barbara McIlwaine.

When she's not busy at work, Nicole is also active in the community. Since October 2007, Nicole has served as a C.A.S.A. (Court-Appointed Special Advocate) to a foster youth in San Bernardino County and is also active in her church where she leads a small group and serves in the homeless ministry at the Riverside County family shelter.

We are excited to add Nicole to the Airport family and encourage you to stop by and give her a warm Airport welcome! →



NEW ARFF TRUCK FOR AIRPORT

A new AIRCRAFT RESCUE FIRE FIGHTING (ARFF) truck was delivered to Riverside Airport this past summer, adding to the overall capabilities of the Airport Operations team. This vehicle is entirely self-contained and can be operated by just one handler. The truck holds water, fire-fighting foam concentrate and dry chemical agent for an initial attack on fire emergencies, an event we hope will never happen.



Riverside Airport Operations is now better equipped and trained to handle the primary response to most any call they may encounter, along with the support of mutual assistance from our local Riverside Fire Department. →

Fixed Wings & Things

- Airport Commission meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. in the Airport Conference Room.
- We currently have office space available in the Terminal Building. For information, please contact Airport Administration at (951) 351-6113.
- We would like to send as many future newsletters via e-mail. Please call Airport Administration and provide your e-mail address.
- We are currently updating our hangar waiting list. As soon as we finish confirming that all of the people on the waiting list still need and want to rent a hangar, we will be posting the list on the Airport website.
- The 2009 Annual Riverside Air Show will be held on March 28, 2009.
- A Memorial Plaque program was recently established to honor deceased individuals who have contributed to Riverside Airport. For applications, see Airport Administration.
- The airport has suspended CPI adjustments for 12 months, effective August 1, 2008.

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