

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and LAX PLAN COMPLIANCE REVIEW for the West Aircraft Maintenance Area Project

THE FOLLOWING IS A NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR THE DRAFT EIR FOR THE WEST AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE AREA PROJECT AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (LAX) AND NOTIFICATION OF A RELATED PUBLIC WORKSHOP. THIS IS ALSO A NOTICE OF LAX PLAN COMPLIANCE REVIEW.

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) has prepared a Draft EIR for the West Aircraft Maintenance Area Project (proposed Project), within the City of Los Angeles, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. The proposed Project is located in the southwestern portion of LAX, on approximately 84 acres immediately south of World Way West between Taxiway AA and Pershing Drive. The proposed Project would provide facilities and areas for aircraft maintenance and maintenance hangars, as well as parking areas for aircraft and employees. The intent of the proposed Project is to consolidate, relocate, and modernize some of the existing aircraft maintenance facilities at LAX consistent with the LAX Master Plan. The proposed Project would be able to accommodate up to 10 Airplane Design Group (ADG) VI aircraft (Airbus A380s and Boeing 747-8s), or a mix of smaller aircraft on the site. The proposed Project would include: (1) apron area for remain overnight/remain all day (RON/RAD) aircraft parking that would also include a blast fence that would accommodate low power engine run ups for ADG VI aircraft and other aircraft, as well as the westerly extension of Taxiway B and the extension of Taxiway C (as Taxilane C) that would provide access to the apron area; (2) 290,000 square feet of aircraft maintenance hangars including maintenance shop and supporting office space within the hangars, as well as up to 300 employee parking spaces accessed via World Way West; and, (3) ancillary (supplemental) facilities (such as areas for ground service equipment [GSE] and maintenance areas/facilities, aircraft wash racks, RON/RAD kits that provide ground power hook-ups, GSE charging stations, preconditioned air, and potable water, necessary utilities and infrastructure, and a detention/infiltration basin to treat stormwater runoff as well as other on-site water quality improvements, such as wash rack recycling system, oil-water separator, use of porous pavement or media filters, etc.). It is anticipated that a temporary concrete batch plant would be installed on the site under an existing permit and utilized for construction of the proposed Project. Existing construction staging and associated equipment currently at the Project site would either be phased out or relocated if necessary to other staging areas already in use at LAX. The proposed Project would not increase passenger or gate capacity and would not increase flights and/or aircraft operations at LAX.

SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROJECT: Implementation of the proposed Project is expected to result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to air quality during construction activities. These impacts are short-term and temporary and would not occur during operation of the proposed Project.

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT: The Draft EIR is being released for public review beginning Thursday, October 17, 2013, and it will be available for review at LAWA and at the public libraries listed below.

- LAWA Administrative Offices, One World Way, Suite 218, Los Angeles, CA 90045
- Westchester-Loyola Village Branch Library, 7114 West Manchester Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90045
- El Segundo Library, 111 West Mariposa Avenue, El Segundo, CA 90245
- Inglewood Library, 101 West Manchester Boulevard, Inglewood, CA 90301
- Culver City Library, 4975 Overland Avenue, Culver City, CA 90230

The document will also be available for review at LAWA's website, <u>www.ourlax.org</u>. Comments can be submitted in any of the following ways: (1) written comments submitted at the public workshop (details below); (2) written comments submitted online at <u>www.ourlax.org</u>; or (3) written comments submitted to the following address:

Los Angeles World Airports, Capital Programming and Planning Environmental & Land Use Planning – Attention: Lisa Trifiletti, Director One World Way, Suite 218, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Comments must be received by LAWA no later than 5:00 p.m., Pacific Time, Monday, December 2, 2013.

PUBLIC WORKSHOP: A public workshop will be held by LAWA during the public circulation period to provide interested parties the opportunity to review and inquire about the Draft EIR in a workshop setting. **No decisions on the project will be made at the public workshop**. The public workshop 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 public workshop, by calling the LAX Stakeholder Liaison Office at (800) 919-3766. The workshop will be held as follows:

When: Tuesday, November 5, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Where: Flight Path Learning Center, 6661 West Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, CA 90045 LAX PLAN COMPLIANCE REVIEW: Prior to issuing any grading, building or use of land permit for the proposed Project, the Los Angeles City Council must grant an LAX Plan Compliance approval pursuant to the LAX Specific Plan. This approval will be based on recommendations from LAWA's Executive Director and the Board of Airport Commissioners. The Executive Director's recommendation will be provided in a written report, which will include the results of LAWA's consultation with the LAX Master Plan Stakeholder Liaison. This public review period provides an opportunity for stakeholders to provide comments and identify concerns that will be considered by the Executive Director in making this recommendation. Your comments to the LAX Stakeholder Liaison can be submitted via email to LAXStakeholderLiaison@lawa.org, online at www.ourlax.org, or to the following address:

Los Angeles World Airports, Stakeholder Liaison Office (SLO) Attention: Brenda Martinez-Sidhom One World Way, Suite 219, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Comments must be received by the Stakeholder Liaison no later than <u>5:00 p.m., Pacific Time, Monday, December 2, 2013</u>.

For further information or questions regarding the Draft EIR, contact Lisa Trifiletti, Director of Environmental & Land Use Planning, at (424) 646-5186. To reach the Stakeholder Liaison, contact Brenda Martinez-Sidhom at (800) 919-3766.

Si necesita asistencia en Español, por favor comuníquese con Evelyn Y. Quintanilla al (424) 646-5188.