

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT, DRAFT GENERAL CONFORMITY DETERMINATION, AND PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Pursuant to Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations 1506.6(b) notice is hereby given that the City of Los Angeles, California, through its airport department – Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), that a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) and Draft General Conformity Determination has been prepared to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of a proposed Landside Access Modernization Program at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California (Proposed Action). The purpose of the Proposed Action is to improve access options and the landside travel experience for passengers, enhance efficiency and alleviate delays on and congestion of on-Airport and surrounding roadways, shift the location of a portion of traffic from the Central Terminal Area (CTA) to locations outside the CTA and off the surrounding street network, provide a direct connection to the Metro rail and transit system, and improve connectivity and mobility for airport passengers, visitors, and employees between the regional ground transportation system and LAX.

The Proposed Action includes the following proposed improvements: (1) construction of an Automated People Mover (APM) system with six APM stations connecting the CTA via an above ground fixed guideway to new proposed buildings that will provide ground access to the airport; (2) passenger walkway systems connecting the APM stations to passenger terminals, parking garages, and ground transportation facilities; (3) modifications to existing passenger terminals and parking garages to support the APM walkway system connections, including vertical circulation cores to the arrival, departure, and concourse levels at the terminals; (4) an APM maintenance and storage facility (MSF) and APM power substations; (5) a Consolidated Rental Car facility (CONRAC) designed to meet the needs of car rental agencies serving LAX with access to the CTA via the APM; (6) two Intermodal Transportation Facilities (ITF) providing parking and pick-up and drop-off areas outside the CTA for private vehicles and commercial shuttles; (7) roadway improvements and project design features designed to improve access to the proposed facilities and the CTA and reduce traffic congestion in neighboring communities; (8) land acquisition for the APM right-of-way in various locations totaling about 26 acres; and (9) various enabling projects to allow construction of the Proposed Action, including utility relocation and demolition of certain existing facilities, some of which would be reconstructed.

The Draft EA evaluates the potential environmental effects of the Proposed Action described above and its alternatives, and has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of Section 102(2)(c) of the *National Environmental Policy Act of 1969* (NEPA), and Section 509(b)(5) of the *Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982*, as amended. The FAA is the lead federal agency to ensure compliance with NEPA for airport development actions. The Draft EA has also been prepared in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*, and FAA Order 5050.4B, *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions*. The Draft EA includes an analysis of reasonable alternatives, potential environmental impacts, and mitigation measures, as appropriate. A draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to mitigate adverse effects on historic properties is also included in the Draft EA for public review and comment. The Draft EA also includes a Draft General Conformity Determination for the proposed improvements associated with the Proposed Action.

PUBLIC REVIEW

Beginning on **Friday, August 18, 2017**, the Draft EA and Draft General Conformity Determination will be available for public review through **Tuesday, September 26, 2017** at the following locations:

Online Federal Aviation Administration, Western-Pacific Region, Los Angeles Airports District Office	www.ourlax.org www.connectinglax.com 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261
LAWA Administrative Offices Public Libraries	 One World Way, Room 218, Los Angeles, CA 90045 Westchester-Loyola Village Branch Library, 7114 W. Manchester Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90045 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Regional Branch Library, 3900 S. Western Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90062 El Segundo Library, 111 W. Mariposa Avenue, El Segundo, CA 90245 Hawthorne Library, 12700 Grevillea Avenue, Hawthorne, CA 90250 Inglewood Library, 101 W. Manchester Boulevard, Inglewood, CA 90301 Culver City Library, 4975 Overland Avenue, Culver City, CA 90230

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

A Public Workshop on the Draft EA and Draft General Conformity Determination will be held on **Tuesday**, **September 19, 2017** from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time at the **Flight Path Learning Center, 6661 West Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, California, 90045**.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments must be received by **5:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time** on **Tuesday, September 26, 2017**. Please ensure adequate time for mailing. Comments can only be accepted with the full name and address of the individual commenting.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask the FAA in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, the FAA cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so. Comments received on the Draft EA and Draft General Conformity Determination and the responses to those comments will be disclosed in the Final EA and Final General Conformity Determination, respectively.

Written comments on the adequacy of the information disclosed in the Draft EA and Draft General Conformity Determination may be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time on Tuesday, September 26, 2017, online at http://www.lawa.org/ourLAX/Comments.aspx or by mail to:

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