

**U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Aviation Administration**

**Los Angeles World Airports  
Los Angeles International Airport**

**Draft Environmental Assessment  
Runway 6R-24L Runway Safety Area (RSA) Improvements Project**

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT,  
PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to Title 49, United States Code, Section (§) 47106(c)(1)(A), notice is hereby given that the City of Los Angeles, California, through its airport department – Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), proposes to improve the Runway Safety Areas (RSA) for Runway 6R-24L at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California (the Proposed Action). The purpose of the Proposed Action RSA improvements to Runway 6R-24L at LAX is to enhance the level of safety provided by RSAs at LAX to comply with airport design standards included in Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Advisory Circular 150/5300-13A, *Airport Design*, as required by *The Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, The District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006* (Public Law [P.L.] 109-115), November 30, 2005. P.L. 109-115 requires completion of RSA improvements by airport sponsors that hold a certificate under Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 139, to meet FAA airport design standards by December 31, 2015.

The Proposed Action RSA improvements involve relocation of the western physical end of Runway 6R approximately 200 feet to the east; displacement of the Runway 6R landing threshold approximately 550 feet to the east; construction of a retaining wall along Pershing Drive and jet blast pad; relocation of various navigational aids fixed by function to the runway landing threshold; relocation and replacement of the Runway 6R Medium Intensity Approach Light System with Runway Alignment Indicator Lights (MALSR), located partly in the California Coastal Zone west of Pershing Drive; shifting connector Taxiways E16 and E17 to the east; shifting the Runway 24L endpoint approximately 800 feet to the east by constructing new runway pavement; displacement of the Runway 24L arrivals threshold by approximately 800 feet; shifting of Taxiway E endpoint approximately 500 feet to the east; removal of existing Taxiway E7; construction of new connector Taxiways E7 and E6; implementation of declared distances; relocation of the existing Runway 6R Localizer Antenna to the east; demolition, closure, and/or relocation of airport service roads; relocation of a portion of the Air Operations Area (AOA) fence; demolition and relocation of existing Secure Area Access Post #3; and relocation of the taxicab holding/staging area and associated buildings. The Proposed Action also involves constructing new or rehabilitating existing runway and taxiway pavement near the existing east end of the runway, and modifying airfield signage, markings, and lighting, in the areas of these improvements. The Proposed Action will enhance the safety of the airfield consistent with the requirements of P.L. 109-115 at LAX.

A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) of the economic, social, and environmental impacts of the Proposed Action and its alternatives (including the No Action Alternative) has been prepared.

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 1050.1E, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*, and FAA Order 5050.4B, *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions*. Pursuant to the federal Endangered Species Act, Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, and National Historic Preservation Act, the Draft EA includes an analysis of prudent or feasible alternatives analysis, potential impacts, and mitigation measures, as appropriate.

Beginning on March 12, 2015, the Draft EA will be available for public review through LAWA's website at <http://www.ourlax.org> and in the following locations during normal business, through **April 24, 2015**:

- Federal Aviation Administration, Western-Pacific Region, Office of the Airports Division, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Hawthorne, CA 90261
- LAWA Administrative Offices, One World Way, Room 218, Los Angeles, CA 90045
- City of Los Angeles Public Library, Westchester-Loyola Village Branch Library, 7114 W. Manchester Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90045
- City of Los Angeles Public Library, Playa Vista Branch Library, 6400 Playa Vista Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90094
- Inglewood Library, 101 W. Manchester Boulevard, Inglewood, CA 90301
- El Segundo Library, 111 W. Mariposa Avenue, El Segundo, CA 90245

A Public Workshop on the Draft EA will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time, followed by a Public Hearing from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time at the **Flight Path Learning Center, 6661 West Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, California, 90045**. Oral and written comments will be accepted at the Public Hearing.

Comments must be received by **5:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time** on **Friday, April 24, 2015**. 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 the responses to those comments will be disclosed in the Final EA.

Written comments on the adequacy of the information disclosed in the Draft EA may be submitted online at [www.ourlax.org](http://www.ourlax.org) or by mail to:

Los Angeles World Airports, Capital Programming and Planning  
Environmental and Land Use Planning – Attention: Evelyn Y. Quintanilla  
One World Way, Suite 218, Los Angeles, CA 90045

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