

An Official Newsletter of the Ventura County Department of Airports

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IMPORTANT ISSUES

RUNWAY/TAXIWAY INCURSIONS – ONE IS TOO MANY!! A runway or taxiway incursion occurs when a person, vehicle, or aircraft enters certain restricted areas without authorization from the air traffic control tower (ATCT). We have experienced a rash of incursions lately and the FAA has noticed! If you are an airport tenant, you should have received a notice in the mail dated October 3rd that describes where you can and cannot go on the airport without clearance from ATCT. Remember, you may not walk, jog, bicycle, or drive a vehicle across or onto any taxiway at any time. Only authorized airport or emergency personnel/vehicles are permitted to do so, and they must receive ATCT clearance before proceeding.

HOT SPOTS for incursions are along the south side of taxiway "F", the west end at the Sun Air ramp, and the east end of taxiway "G" for <u>vehicles</u>, and across taxiway "F" near the tower and the taxiway "G" run-up area at taxiway "A" for pedestrians.

DRIVER TRAINING – in response to the safety problems associated with runway/taxiway incursions, an airport drivers training pamphlet will be distributed to all gate card holders in January. The pamphlet is being prepared by airport staff and will contain important safety information about driving on the airport. Following the pamphlet distribution, gate cards will be revalidated to make sure that anyone driving a vehicle inside the fence has read and understood the special restrictions that are important to safety.

SECURITY (and safety) is provided in many ways at our airports, and an important part of our security program is the use of vehicle gates. Only ONE VEHICLE through the gate at a time is permitted. "Tailgating" through a gate, without being escorted by an authorized user, is strictly prohibited and seriously weakens the security measures put in place for our protection. Any airport user who grants vehicle access through the gate for another vehicle is then responsible to continuously escort that vehicle until it leaves the restricted area. Please do your part to keep us secure and protect our airports by adhering to security practices. Working together, we can improve our security and avoid enforcement actions.

Points of Contact:

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Oxnard Airport Manager Chris Hastert 805-382-3024

24 Hour Noise Hotline and Ops. 805-388-4202

Http://www.ventura.org/airports

Arrivals

- Aaron Walsh Airport Operations
- Bob Levsey Airport Operations
- George Blok Airport Operations
- TSA Transportation Security Administration at screening checkpoint, Oxnard

Departures

- Rich Flynn (retired) Airport Operations
- Brian Roney Airport Operations

Camarillo Airport Authority

John Flynn,
Board of Supervisors
Kathy Long,
Board of Supervisors
Kevin Kildee,
Camarillo City Council
Michael Morgan,
Camarillo City Council
Bill Thomas,
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Events Calendar

- •December 10, 2002 OXR tri-annual A/C accident and emergency plan exercise as required under FAR Part 139.
- •August 23-24, 2003 -EAA/CAF Air Show
- Aviation Advisory Commission Meeting
 First Monday of the Month
 7p.m.
- •Airport Authority Meeting Second Thursday of the month @ 7p.m.
- •Airport Director's "open door" Thursdays, 2-4 p.m.

Airport Activity / News

Camarillo

- Changing scene the old Fire Station 50 will be demolished and the site prepared to be the new home for the remaining private hangars currently located north of taxiway "F". Relocation is scheduled for spring 2003.
- HPS Construction of Bakersfield, CA., will begin rehabilitating the sewer lines in the business park. The \$1.3 million project will begin in November and should be finished by March. Financing is being provided through a state loan, which will be paid back though the rates charged for on-airport sewer and water use.
- New Hangars at the east end LATEST UPDATE the developer, Airport Properties Limited (APL) of Paso Robles, CA., plans to break ground for the first 35 hangars in March, 2003. APL can be reached at 805-238-6801 for more information.
- Pavement rehabilitation in and around the wash rack area is rescheduled to begin in March 2003. The \$600,000 project is being funded by federal, state, and local airport dollars.

Oxnard

- Hangar #1 The floor slab has been poured for the hangar and offices. We hope to see the unassembled building arrive in early December. The lease with Million Air of Long Beach is scheduled to go to the Board of Supervisors for approval in December, with occupancy in Spring '03.
- Would you like to repaint your hangar? The new standard color is "Desert Sand". This color was chosen with input from hangar owners/renters, the city, and department staff to eventually achieve a uniform look at the airport that matches the majority of the buildings on site. Please remember that department approval is required prior to any modification to your hangar, including painting a hangar.
- The contract for the upgrade of the perimeter road has been awarded to Channel Islands Paving in Camarillo. The road is used by operations, maintenance and emergency vehicles for all weather access. Construction is scheduled to begin in November.

Staff News

Scott Smith, Director of Airports, has been elected to the Board of Directors for the Southwest Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives (SWAAAE).

ENJOY THE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS!!