# SEPTEMBER 2016 Update- All things Aviation:



If you'd like additional information, please contact Newport Beach City Manager Dave Kiff at <u>dkiff@newportbeachca.gov</u>.

## MetroPlex

On August 31, 2016, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued a Finding of No Significant Impact and Record of Decision for the Southern California Metroplex project. Accordingly the FAA findings were that the SoCal Metroplex Project will not have significant environmental impacts and explains further in the full document the basis for those findings. This is the FAA's final decision, and it enables the agency to move forward with implementing the project, which will replace dozens of existing conventional air traffic control procedures, including those at John Wayne Airport.

Any party having substantial interest in the FAA's order may apply for review of their decision by filing a petition for review in the appropriate U.S. Court of Appeals no later than 60 days after the order is issued.

The FAA plans to begin working immediately toward phasing in use of the procedures, starting in November 2016 and continuing through April 2017. Before publishing the procedures, the agency will conduct additional public outreach to further inform people about the changes. The current schedule for implementation at JWA is as follows:

MetroPlex - the proposed departure procedures:

STREL, which will be known as the PIGGN (to be finalized March 2, 2017); For departures East of Las Vegas, approximately 50%+

- MUSEL, which will become the FINNZ (to be finalized April 27, 2017); For departures West of Las Vegas, approximately 10%+
- CHANL, which will become the HHERO (to be finalized April 27, 2017);
  For departures West of Las Vegas, approximately 40%+

Initially it is believed that the proposed changes will guide all of the current departures on a departure path similar to the current STREL, except that currently the FAA has proposed to eliminate the current TOING (NMS7) waypoint.

The FAA has scheduled two community internet webinar outreach programs about JWA on October 17 and 18.

The internet-based webinars will allow the public to attend from any available computer during the posted briefing times to learn more about the project. Video communication will be done through the computer monitor and audio communications will we done through the computer headphones and speakers (VoIP) or using a separate dial-up telephone line. An audio PIN will be provided for each participant after joining the session. FAA representatives will present a variety of information on the project and will be available to answer questions at the conclusion of the presentation. Logistical information regarding the webinars is as follows:

Internet Based Webinar	October 17, 2016 - 8:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. PDT
URL: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6137700783264158209 Dial: (408) 650-3123 Access Code/Meeting ID: 219-278-515 Airport involved: • Long Beach Daugherty (LGB) • John Wayne Orange County (SNA) • Los Alamitos (SLI) • Fullerton Municipal (FUL) • Zamperini Field (TOA)	Changes covered include: LGB Airport: RNP RWY 12, RNP RWY 25R, RNP RWY 30, GPS RWY 30, KAYOH6 (conventional amendment) SNA Airport: RNP Z RWY 20R, RNP RWY 02L, KAYOH6 STAR (conventional amendment) SLI Airport: KAYOH6 (conventional amendment) FUL Airport: KAYOH6 (conventional amendment) TOA Airport: KAYOH6 (conventional amendment)

	Internet Based Webinar	October 18, 2016 - 6:00 p.m. to 7:15
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1909326508512178435LGB Airport: RNP RWY 12, RNPDial: (914) 614-3221RWY 25R, RNP RWY 30, GPS RWY		p.m. PDT
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Specific information for additional public outreach will be announced on the FAA's NextGen Community Engagement webpage for the SoCal Metroplex project (https://www.faa.gov/nextgen/communityengagement/socal/) as the information becomes available. As noted previously the FAA's Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project determined it would not have any significant impacts under the National Environmental Policy Act. The Finding of No Significant Impact and Record of Decision, as well as the Final Environmental Assessment, is available at. http://www.metroplexenvironmental.com/socal\_metroplex/socal\_introduction.html

As you can appreciate there were a little over 100 comments submitted from within Orange County including the cities of Costa Mesa, Irvine, Laguna Beach and Mission Viejo. Responses to the more than 100 comments from the citizens of Orange County can be viewed at the above referenced web page. The City of Newport Beach is currently weighing its legal options.

#### JWA-July 2016

Airline passenger traffic at John Wayne Airport decreased in July 2016 as compared with July 2015. In July 2016, the Airport served 924,537 passengers, a decrease of 0.4% when compared with the July 2015 passenger traffic count of 927,934. Commercial aircraft operations increased 8.2% and commuter aircraft operations decreased 67.3% when compared with July 2015 levels. Year to date the airport has experienced an increase in airline passenger traffic of +8.5% and is on track for approximately 10.6 MAP for the year.

The number of Average Daily Departures (ADD) for July 2016 was 120.74 vs. 121.77 in 2015. The top three airlines in July 2016 based on passenger count were Southwest Airlines (402,978), American Airlines (151,555) and United Airlines (117,969).

## **Airports in the Region**

# LAX and ONT

LAX passenger figures for August 2016 showed an overall increase by +6.87% and +7.89% for the first eight months of the year of the year versus the same time periods last year for both domestic and international passengers. Passenger totals for LAX through August 2016 are 54MAP. Meanwhile ONT showed a decrease of -2.92% for August and -0.62% for the year. ONT MAP through August is 2.76 MAP.

#### Long Beach

Long Beach continues to show passenger growth. Total passenger traffic, both arrivals and departures, for August of +11% and is +5% ahead of 2016 for the first eight months of 2016. Long Beach Airport had 50 allocated Air Carrier flight slots - JetBlue (35), American (5), Delta (4), Southwest (4), FedEx (1), UPS (1) and three allocated Commuter Carrier flight slots - Delta (3). Twenty-two Commuter Carrier flight slots remain available for allocation.