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Public Notice of Availability: FAA Southern California Metroplex Draft Environmental Assessment Release

Summary: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq., and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations, 40 C.F.R. parts 1500-1508, the FAA issues this notice that it has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Southern California Metroplex (SoCal Metroplex) Project and has made it available for public review and comment. The Draft EA considers the potential environmental impacts of the implementation of the Project. The Project's Proposed Action would improve the efficiency of airspace in the Southern California Metroplex by optimizing aircraft arrival and departure routes at the EA Study Airports, including Burbank Bob Hope Airport, John Wayne Orange County Airport, Long Beach Airport, Los Angeles International Airport, Ontario International Airport, San Diego International Airport and 15 satellite airports throughout Southern California. A complete list of Study Airports is provided in the Draft EA.

The Project involves changes to aircraft flight routes and altitudes in certain areas. The Proposed Action does not increase the number of aircraft operations within the Metroplex, nor result in ground disturbance. Potential environmental impacts discussed in the EA were analyzed in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1E, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*.

The General Study Area includes 21 Study Airports in Orange, Los Angeles, San Diego, Imperial, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties. The boundary extends approximately 35-40 miles north of Santa Barbara, 40-48 miles east of Palm Springs, and 10 miles south of San Diego. The western boundary of the General Study Area runs along the coastline.

Addresses: Copies of the Draft EA and supporting materials are available at the following locations:

1) Online at:
http://www.metroplexenvironmental.com/socal_metroplex/socal_introduction.html

2) Hard-copies are available at these five libraries:
   - Los Angeles Central Library, 630 W. 5th St., Los Angeles, CA 90071
   - San Diego Central Library, 330 Park Blvd., San Diego CA 92101
   - E.P. Foster Library, 651 E. Main St., Ventura, CA 93001
   - Anaheim Public Library, 500 W. Broadway, Anaheim, CA 92805
   - Riverside Public Library, 3581 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501

3) Electronic versions of the Draft EA have been sent to 40 libraries in the General Study Area. A complete list of libraries with electronic copies of the Draft EA is available online at
http://www.metroplexenvironmental.com/socal_metroplex/socal_introduction.html

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Public Workshops: The FAA invites the public to attend informational workshops for the Draft EA at the times and locations listed below. Representatives from the FAA will be available to answer questions about the Project. Written comments will be accepted at the public workshops.

June 16, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**McFadden Intermediate School - Auditorium** 2701 S. Raitt St., Santa Ana, CA 92704
June 17, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**Santa Monica Public Library – Multipurpose Room** 601 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90401
June 18, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**Proud Bird Restaurant – Grand Ballroom West** 11022 Aviation Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045
June 22, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**Logan Heights Library – Community Room** 567 South 28th St., San Diego, CA 92113
June 23, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**Palm Desert Library – Community Room** 73-300 Fred Waring Dr., Palm Desert, CA 92260
June 24, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**Ken Miller Auditorium** 3341 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, CA 90503
June 25, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**Beach High School - Auditorium** 3701 E. Willow St., Long Beach, CA 90815
June 29, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**E.P. Foster Library – The Elizabeth R. Topping Room** 651 East Main St., Ventura, CA 93001
June 30, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**The Westside Neighborhood Center - Auditorium** 423 W. Victoria St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101
July 1, 2015 **4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**	**Burbank Community Services Building – Room 104** 150 N 3rd St., Burbank, CA 91502

Attendees with special communication or accommodation needs may contact Chris Jones of ATAC Corp. at **(408) 736-2822** at least 2 days prior to the workshop. Every reasonable effort to accommodate special needs will be made.

Comments: The public comment period will commence on June 10, 2015 and will close on July 10, 2015. The FAA encourages interested parties to review the Draft EA, and provide written comments during the public comment period. Written comments will be accepted by the FAA until July 10, 2015. The public is invited to submit comments at the workshops, by mail or email. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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 us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments can be emailed to: 9-ANM-SoCalOAPM@faa.gov

Comments can be submitted by regular mail to:

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Federal Aviation Administration
Western Service Center - Operations Support Group
1601 Lind Avenue SW
Renton, WA 98057