



City of Santa Barbara California

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT – MST2013-00453 AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL HEARINGS FOR THE SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

AIRPORT COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015
6:00 P.M. * (SEE NOTE BELOW)
AIRPORT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
601 NORMAN FIRESTONE ROAD

PLANNING COMMISSION
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2015
1:00 P.M.* (SEE NOTE BELOW)
CITY HALL – 735 ANACAPA STREET
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is located at the Santa Barbara Airport (601 Norman Firestone Road).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Santa Barbara Airport Master Plan (Master Plan) provides guidance for the Airport's overall development for the next 15-20 years, (i.e., 2014 to 2032). The Master Plan relies on Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)-approved forecasts of aviation activity at the Santa Barbara Airport (Airport) and provides development scenarios for the short term (2017), intermediate term (2022) and long term (2032). These development scenarios are not only reflective of the level of activity forecast to occur at the Airport, but are dependent on federal funding cycles and the availability of grant money for aviation projects.

The proposed Master Plan consists of:

- **Airfield Recommendations:** Extension of Taxiway H to the west, parallel to the main instrument runway, restriping of existing paved areas, paving light lanes along taxiway edges, and relocating entrances and exits from the taxiway system to comply with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) recommendations.
- **North Landside Recommendations:** Consolidation of general aviation operations to facilitate two Fixed Base Operator (FBO) lease areas on the northeast portion of the airfield to provide tenant and visiting private aircraft services and facilities, and support facility changes including the relocation of the Airport Maintenance Yard.
- **Terminal Area Recommendations:** Construction of a new Long Term Parking Lot south of the Airline Terminal to accommodate 1,315 new or relocated parking spaces, expansion of the Airline Terminal, and relocation of the south-side FBO.

The Airport is located on approximately 948 acres adjacent to the City of Goleta and the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) in the South Coast region of Santa Barbara County. It is located eight miles to the west of the rest of the City of Santa Barbara. Due to the proximity of the Goleta Slough to certain proposed Master Plan project, it is likely that approval of a Local Coastal Program (LCP) amendment will be necessary for some of the proposed actions. An LCP amendment will, therefore, be considered along with the proposed actions, as appropriate.

The City of Santa Barbara encourages the public to provide written comments on this and other projects. The Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is available for review at the Planning Division, 630 Garden Street, from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.; at the Santa Barbara Airport Administration Building, 601 Norman Firestone Road, from 8:30 A.M. to noon and 1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.; the Santa Barbara Public Library at 40 E. Anapamu Street; and the Goleta Branch Library at 500 N. Fairview Avenue during the libraries' hours of operation. It is also available online at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/EIR.

The public review period begins on **August 31, 2015**. Comments on the Draft EIR must be received by Friday,

October 16, 2015.

Please send your comments by US Mail to: City of Santa Barbara, Planning Division
Attn: **Andrew Bermond, AICP**
P.O. Box 1990
Santa Barbara, CA 93102-1990

-OR- electronically to: ABermond@SantaBarbaraCA.gov

ENVIRONMENTAL HEARINGS: Two hearings to take public comments on the Draft EIR will be held. The first will be before the Airport Commission on Wednesday, **September 16, 2015** at 6:00 P.M. in the Conference Room of the Airport Administration Building. The second will be before the Planning Commission on Thursday, **October 1, 2015** at 1:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. You are invited to attend these hearings and address your verbal comments to the Airport Commission or the Planning Commission. If you have any questions, wish to know more about this application, or wish to review the plans, please contact **Andrew Bermond, AICP**, at (805)-564-5470.

Following the end of the Draft EIR public review period, a Final EIR including responses to comments will be prepared, and subsequent noticed public hearing will be held at City Council to consider actions to approve the project.

If you challenge the environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence received by Friday, October 16, 2015.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you need auxiliary aids or services or staff assistance to attend or participate in these meetings, please contact the Airport Administration office at (805) 967-7111 or the City Administrator's Office at (805) 564-5305. If possible, notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will usually enable the City to make reasonable arrangements. Specialized services, such as sign language interpretation or documents in Braille, may require additional lead time to arrange.

***NOTE:** On Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 5:00 P.M., an Airport Commission Agenda with all the items to be heard on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 will be posted on the bulletin board at the Airport Administration Building. On Thursday, September 24, 2015, a Planning Commission Agenda with all items to be heard on Thursday, October 1, 2015, will be available at 630 Garden Street and online at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PC. Continuances will not be granted unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Meetings can be viewed live on City TV-18, or on your computer at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CityTV. A rebroadcast schedule can be found at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CityTVProgramGuide.