



# City of Santa Barbara California

## NOTICE OF EXTENSION PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT – MST2013-00453 AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL HEARING FOR THE SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

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 EIR is available for review at the Planning Division, 630 Garden Street, from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.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](http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/EIR).

The public review period begins on **August 31, 2015**. Comments on the Draft EIR must be received by Friday, **October 30, 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](mailto:ABermond@SantaBarbaraCA.gov)

The second of two hearings to take public comments on the Draft EIR will be held before the Planning Commission on **October 1, 2015** at 1:00 p.m.\*\* in the Council Chambers at City Hall. You are invited to attend this hearing and address your verbal comments to 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 30, 2015.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT:** If you need auxiliary aids or services or staff assistance to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact 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 24, 2015, an 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](http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PC). Environmental documents can be viewed online at [www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/EIR](http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/EIR). Please note that online Staff Reports may not include some exhibits. Agenda items are subject to change. It is recommended that applicants and interested parties plan to arrive for the meeting at 1:00 p.m. However, for longer agendas, all parties are encouraged to monitor Channel 18 and when the item prior to the application of interest begins come to the Commission hearing. 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](http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CityTV). A rebroadcast schedule can be found at [www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CityTVProgramGuide](http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CityTVProgramGuide).