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FROM THE MANAGER



Airport Improvements

The recent Stakeholder Meeting held on September 24th was another productive meeting. As a result of comments and discussion from that meeting, American Airports has worked with one of the third-party hangar tenants to enhance lighting on hangar buildings in the northern portion of the Airport which has improved the overall apron and taxi lane lighting in and around the area. Enhanced lighting is also being installed near the public areas just outside of the Administration Building and Restaurant. Additionally, American Airports is in the process of setting up a County hangar to be made available for non-commercial aircraft maintenance on a daily or weekly basis. Please keep your comments coming in. As always, they are greatly appreciated!

Airport Master Plan Update

The final public meeting for the Airport Master Plan Update for Whiteman Airport will be held on **November 18, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Pacoima Charter Elementary School located near Whiteman Airport at 11016 Norris Avenue.** The meeting should be an opportunity to learn about and provide comments on the draft final report and recommended development plan concept(s) for Whiteman Airport. Highlights of the planning process are available for viewing on the County's Aviation Commission website at the following Internet address: http://ladpw.org/AVI/commission/Page_53.cfm.

Aviation Meetings & Seminars

For FAA meeting information, please see the FAA's website at <http://faasafety.gov>. Meetings are typically held in the Civil Air Patrol trailer or the Pilots Lounge. For information on aviation seminars regularly offered by Richard Mend, please visit his website at <http://www.mendaviation.com>.

Airport Association & Display Days

Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of each month to **Rocky's Restaurant** and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next Airport Association meeting will be held on November 19, 2009. **Display Days** – The Display Day for **Whiteman Airport** is held on the 2nd Sunday of every month. There is also a Display Day to be held at **Van Nuys Airport** the 3rd Saturday of every month (<http://www.vnyprop.org>).

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Photo of the Month



The crew of the Aviation Explorer Post 747 at Whiteman Airport.

The Program exposes young adults ages 14 to 20 to the various facets of aviation through field trips, volunteer opportunities, community service and low cost flight training among other activities. Without a doubt, the Aviation Explorers are doing great things for local youth and for the overall future of aviation. We're proud to have them here at Whiteman Airport.



SPOTLIGHT ON...

Supporting the US Forest Service Effort To Fight The Station Fire

In September, four of our LA County airports, supplied fuel and services to the firefighting efforts for the massive arson-caused Station Fire that burned more than 250 square miles of the Angeles National Forest. The fire, which began on August 26th, scorched over 160,000 acres, making it the largest fire in recorded Los Angeles County history and the 10th largest in California since 1933.

Brackett Airport - The US Forest Service utilized Brackett for their Heli-base. The close work between Airport Operations and the Forestry Service allowed a safe and efficient operation while ensuring a strong aerial defense. At the peak, Brackett was home to 8 Sky-cranes, an AH-1 Cobra and one Kaman K-Max helicopter. Using Brackett as a base allowed a quick response and more frequent water drops that proved to be imperative.

Whiteman Airport - The US Forest Service was using Whiteman as a base of operations for 12 days. Fire crews utilized the ramp/apron areas for helicopter parking (1-3) helicopters and used the public viewing grassy area as a staging site throughout their stay. As the fire moved to the east, the USFS moved from Whiteman to El Monte.

El Monte Airport - Flight crews operating Bell 207 & A-Star helicopters utilized El Monte for a couple of days as a base to battle on the frontlines during the height of the fire storm. In addition to providing a place for firefighting aircraft to operate from, El Monte made its facilities available for crews to shower, eat, and take a break from the frontlines.

Fox Airfield - Anywhere from 2 to 23 fixed-wing aircraft, multiple helicopters, plus lead and support aircraft flew in and out of the Fox Field to fight the fire, daily. Each helicopter was supported by two or three semi-trailer trucks. Airport staff worked from dawn to dusk fueling aircraft, while neighboring airport businesses supplied food for the crews flying in and out every day.

We are proud of the role and significant contribution our County Airports made during the Station Fire.



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Tie Downs
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El Monte Airport (626-448-6129)

Tie Downs
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Hangars
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Fox Airfield (661-940-1709)

Tie Downs
From \$54.00/month

Hangars
From \$198 - \$650/month

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



WHITEMAN AIRPORT

- 11/2Pacoima Rotary Club
6:00pm - Rocky's
- 11/4CAP Squadron 35
7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 11/8Whiteman Display Day
10:00am-2:00pm
- 11/9Pacoima Rotary Club
6:00pm - Rocky's
- 11/10.....Latin American Pilots' Assn
7:30pm Rocky's
- 11/11.....CAP Squadron 35
7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 11/16.....Pacoima Rotary Club
6:00pm - Rocky's
- 11/18.....CAP Squadron 35
7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 11/19.....Whiteman Airport Association
7:00pm - Rocky's
- 11/21.....EAA Chapter 40
9:30am - Rocky's
- 11/23.....Pacoima Rotary Club
6:00pm - Rocky's
- 11/25.....CAP Squadron 35
7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 11/28.....Young Eagles: 10:30am
Grassy area adjacent to Pilot's
Lounge
- 11/30.....Pacoima Rotary Club
6:00pm - Rocky's

BRACKETT FIELD AIRPORT

- 11/15 ...Brackett Antique Aircraft & Auto
Display
10:00am - 2:00pm
Transient Parking Lot

COMPTON/WOODLEY AIRPORT

- 11/7-8..Compton Antique Aircraft &
Auto Display
10:00am -2:00pm (both days)

FOX AIRFIELD

- 11/14 ...Fox Airfield Open Hangar Day
All Day

EL MONTE AIRPORT

- 11/22 ...Vintage Airplane & Auto Display
9:00am - 1:00pm
Center Field



NOVEMBER AVIATION COMMISSION MEETING

November 25, 2009
10:00am

General Wm. J. Fox
Airfield