



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

# R-31

333 West Ocean Boulevard • Long Beach, CA 90802 • (562) 570-6383 • FAX (562) 570-6012

February 20, 2007

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

### RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the attached Airport activities report. (District 5)

### DISCUSSION

Included is the Monthly Airport Activity Report for December 2006.

**Airport Passenger, General Aviation (GA) and Cargo Activity** - The Monthly Airport Activity Report provides monthly and year-to-date statistics for airline passengers (total and enplaned), aircraft operations by user category, and cargo carrier tonnage. Total passenger counts through December were 2,758,362 compared to last year's 3,034,032, a decrease of 9.1. The decrease in total passengers is attributed primarily to the discontinuance of service by American Airlines. GA operations, year-to-date, compared to last year are up 6.1%, (343,255 operations vs. 323,454). Cargo volumes, year-to-date, are down 8.0% (49,947 tons vs. 54,298).

**Noise Activity** - The Monthly Airport Noise Statistics Report includes four separate reports with current month and year-to-date totals. The four reports are as follows:

- Noise Complaints – Summarizes noise complaint information for commercial (which includes cargo carriers), GA, and other operations.
- Noise Complaint Plot Map – Identifies the origin of the complaint.
- Commercial Late Night Activity – Summarizes activity between 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. by airline.
- Noise Violations – Summarizes violations for airline and GA operations. Provides a complete listing of each violation, includes violator's name, date and time of violation, aircraft type, aircraft noise level, and the time specific allowable noise level.

The Airport's Noise Office receives and investigates noise inquiries and complaints from local residents and residents who live outside of Long Beach. For the month of

ADMINISTRATION,  
PLANNING & FACILITIES  
333 W. Ocean Blvd., 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Long Beach, CA 90802  
Ph. (562) 570-6383  
Fax (562) 570-6012

AIRPORT  
4100 Donald Douglas Dr.  
Long Beach, CA 90808  
Ph. (562) 570-2600  
Fax (562) 570-2601

ENGINEERING & STREET  
MAINTENANCE  
333 W. Ocean Blvd., 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Long Beach, CA. 90802  
Ph. (562) 570-6634  
Fax (562) 570-6012

ENVIRONMENTAL  
SERVICES  
2929 E. Willow Street  
Long Beach, CA 90806  
Ph. (562) 570-2850  
Fax (562) 570-2861

FLEET SERVICES  
2600 Temple Avenue  
Long Beach, CA 90806  
Ph. (562) 570-5400  
Fax (562) 570-5414

TRAFFIC &  
TRANSPORTATION  
333 W. Ocean Blvd., 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Long Beach, CA 90802  
Ph. (562) 570-6331  
Fax (562) 570-7161

December, the Noise Office received 89 complaints compared to 152 complaints received during the same period in 2005. For 2006, the Noise Office received 1,589 complaints compared to 2,274 during the same period in 2005, a decrease of 30.1%

Further analysis of the December noise complaints revealed the following:

- Total number of complainants: 32
- 62% (55 of 89) of the complaints were related to operations between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- 12.3% (11 of 89) of the complainants reside in Seal Beach or Huntington Beach.

The above referenced information is displayed on the Airport's website ([www.lgb.org](http://www.lgb.org)).

### **Other Airport Activity**

#### **▪ HOLIDAY ACTIVITY UPDATE**

The Airport handled as many as 4,138 vehicles in its parking facilities during the peak holiday period. With normal Airport parking capacity of 4,023, the additional cars were accommodated by renting a portion of the Veterans Stadium parking lot (and implementing additional shuttle service).

Over half of the Airport's normal parking capacity is off-site and only available on a month-to-month basis. Although the Airport was able to rent a neighboring tenant's parking structure (to relocate employee parking) in 2005, this same facility was not available in 2006, and is not expected to be in the foreseeable future.

The demand for parking during the recent holidays did not include several air carrier slots (which were implemented subsequent to the holiday period) and the 20 commuter carrier flights, which are anticipated to be in operation prior to the 2007 holiday period.

During the week preceding Christmas, the Long Beach Poly Jazz Choir and the Everyday Holiday singers performed throughout the Terminal.

Airport staff and tenants participated in the Carmelitos Housing Development Toy Drive, and the Salvation Army Day of Feeding.

#### **▪ PORTRAITS OF HOPE – Long Beach Airport Control Tower Project**

Work sessions for the Portraits of Hope, Ameriquest Soaring Dreams Air Tower Project at the Long Beach Airport will continue throughout February and early March.

Installation of the artwork on the Long Beach Control Tower is expected to occur in late March or early-April 2007.

▪ **REGIONAL ISSUES**

On Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, Councilwoman Rae Gabelich and Chris Kunze, Special Advisor to LB Airport, attended a meeting of the SCAG Aviation Task Force and a workshop for the Southern California Regional Airport Authority (SCRAA). Assistant City Attorney Mike Mais also attended the SCRAA workshop.

The SCAG Aviation Task Force adopted a motion recommending several items to the SCRAA Board regarding its mission, composition, and governance structure. The recommendations, which mirror those proposed by Mayor Bob Foster in his letter to SCRAA dated January 2, 2007, addressed airport proprietorship, self-determination rights protection (e.g., Long Beach Airport Noise Compatibility Ordinance), broader participation including voting rights for Long Beach as an airport proprietor, and eliminating certain powers such as eminent domain and the ability to operate airports. In addition, the motion recommended that SCRAA consider abandoning its Joint Powers Authority (JPA) form of governance, and form something like a "Structured MOU". The Aviation Task Force recommendation was to be provided to the SCRAA Board later in the day, with the understanding that it would not be an official SCAG recommendation until reviewed/approved by the SCAG Regional Council.

At the afternoon SCRAA workshop, many entities commented with similar suggestions to those provided by the City of Long Beach. The following comments were made: 1) the City of Long Beach would formally respond to the questions outlined in the letter from the SCRAA Chair, Councilman Rosendahl, City of Los Angeles, by February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2) that SCRAA give consideration to the Aviation Task Force recommendations, including broadening the voting base of SCRAA to include commercial airport operating entities such as Long Beach, and 3) that a "non-JPA" form of governance, such as an a "Structured MOU", be considered. Assistant City Attorney Mike Mais will assist in drafting the response prior to the February 28<sup>th</sup> deadline.

The County of Orange made a detailed presentation, which included the statement "Supervisor Moorlach met recently with Supervisor Knabe and Long Beach Mayor Foster. During that meeting, Supervisor Knabe indicated that he believed that the basic strategic goal of SCRAA would be to shift commercial service to Ontario, Palmdale and San Bernardino International Airport - not to other currently restricted airports such as Long Beach and John Wayne Airport". We obtained a copy of Orange County's presentation, which will be forwarded to the Mayor and Councilmembers.

▪ **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

The Airport participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fourth District Snow Day, held on January 27<sup>th</sup> at Whaley Park. Airport staff responded to inquiries and handed out model airplanes, and aircraft posters.

▪ **OTHER ACTIVITY**

The FBI recently recognized Sergeant John Blood, Long Beach Airport Police, for his outstanding assistance in the joint investigative efforts related to the bomb threat that occurred on August 26, 2006. Sergeant Blood was credited with identifying and detaining the subject who had placed a 911 call from an airport pay phone after he had been denied a boarding pass for the flight. The subject admitted to making the hoax threat to keep the flight from leaving before he could board.

The subject pleaded guilty to a felony charge of conveying false information of a threat against an airplane and was sentenced on Monday, January 29, 2007, to six months home detention and ordered to perform community service.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

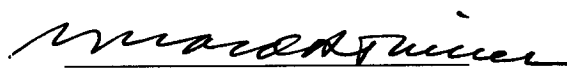


CHRISTINE F. ANDERSEN  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

CFA: SDJ: bp  
P:\cc\lrs\fy0607\Feb\Airport Monthly Activity Reports

Attachment

APPROVED:



GERALD R. MILLER  
CITY MANAGER



**City of Long Beach**  
Working Together to Serve

**Memorandum**

**Date:** January 18, 2007  
**To:** Airport Advisory Commission  
**From:** Dennis Rambeau, Operations Specialist II, Airport Bureau  
**Subject:** MONTHLY AIRPORT ACTIVITY REPORTS FOR DECEMBER 2006

---

**Please find attached the following reports:**

- **Airport Activity Report**
- **Noise Complaint Report**
- **Plot of Complainants**
- **Late Night Activity**
- **Noise Violation Report**
- **Noise Violation List**



## MONTHLY AIRPORT ACTIVITY REPORT December 2006

### Current Month and Calendar Year To Date Statistics

	December			January through December		
	2006	2005	%Change	2006	2005	%Change
<b><u>Total Passenger Traffic</u></b>	220,086	239,354	-8.1%	2,758,362	3,034,032	-9.1%
<b><u>Enplaned Passengers</u></b>	<b><u>Load Factor</u></b>	<b><u>Load Factor</u></b>		<b><u>Load Factor</u></b>	<b><u>Load Factor</u></b>	
Alaska	69% 11,670	71% 8,623	35.3%	72% 121,075	75% 106,505	13.7%
US Airways/America West	71% 9,042	74% 8,627	4.8%	73% 100,459	75% 112,301	-10.5%
American Airlines	0% 0	77% 13,372	-100.0%	74% 24,813	80% 173,073	-85.7%
Delta/Skywest	85% 4,751	0% 0		86% 43,568	0% 0	
JetBlue Airways	74% 85,543	80% 88,846	-3.7%	81% 1,095,345	86% 1,131,933	-3.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>80% 111,006</b>	<b>79% 119,468</b>	<b>-7.1%</b>	<b>83% 1,385,260</b>	<b>84% 1,523,812</b>	<b>-9.1%</b>
<b><u>Airline Landings</u></b>	<b>1,127</b>	<b>1,076</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>12,834</b>	<b>13,015</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>
<b><u>Aircraft Operations (FAA)</u></b>						
Air + Commuter Carriers	2,190	2,392	-8.4%	25,833	28,939	-10.7%
Air Taxi & General Aviation	29,032	24,901	16.6%	343,255	323,454	6.1%
Military	49	63	-22.2%	650	618	5.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,271</b>	<b>27,356</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>369,738</b>	<b>353,011</b>	<b>4.7%</b>
<b><u>Air Cargo</u></b>						
US Tons	4,269	4,289	-0.5%	49,947	54,298	-8.0%
Metric Tons	3,872	3,890	-0.5%	45,302	49,248	-8.0%

**Note:**

During the month, LGB airport had 41 allocated air carrier flight slots- Alaska (5), US Airways/AW (4), JetBlue (28), Airborne (1), FedEx (1), UPS (2) and 4 allocated commuter carrier flight slots - US Airways/America West (1), Delta (3)

**Definitions:**

**Total Passenger Traffic** – Total number of airline passengers both enplaned (departing) and deplaned (arriving).

**Aircraft Operations** – Aircraft takeoff, landing, or transition through the airspace controlled by the FAA's Long Beach air traffic control tower.

**Air Carrier** – A scheduled carrier, certificated under FAA Regulations (FAR) Parts 121, 125 or 135, max. takeoff weight of 75,000 lbs (passengers or cargo) or over.

**Commuter Carrier** - A scheduled carrier, certificated under FAA Regulations (FAR) Parts 121, 125 or 135, max. takeoff weight under 75,000 lbs

**Air Taxi** – Aircraft that provide public transportation of persons and/or property on-demand.

**General Aviation** – Aviation activity other than scheduled air carriers flights, flights by industrial operators or by charter and flights by public aircraft

**Air Cargo** – Cargo carried by aircraft, both inbound and outbound.



## LONG BEACH AIRPORT MONTHLY REPORT NOISE COMPLAINTS December 2006

### Current Month and CY-T-D Statistics for Long Beach Airport

	December 2006			CY-T-D 2006		
	2006	2005	%Change	2006	2005	%Change
<b><u>Air Carrier &amp; Commuter Complaints</u></b>						
Passenger & Cargo Aircraft	59	88	-33.0%	1,589	2,274	-30.1%
<b><u>Non-Commercial Complaints</u></b>						
Jets	20	46	-56.5%	708	958	-26.1%
Props	6	10	-40.0%	236	389	-39.3%
Helicopters	4	8	-50.0%	878	160	
Other	0	0		6	0	
Subtotal	30	64		1,828	1,507	21.3%
<b>TOTAL NOISE COMPLAINTS</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>-41.4%</b>	<b>3,417</b>	<b>3,781</b>	<b>-9.6%</b>
<b><u>Airport Operations (FAA)</u></b>						
Air Carrier + Commuter Carriers	2,190	2,392	-8.4%	25,833	28,939	-10.7%
Air Taxi + General Aviation	29,032	24,901	16.6%	343,255	323,454	6.1%
Military Operations	49	43	14.0%	650	598	8.7%
<b>TOTAL AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>31,271</b>	<b>27,336</b>	<b>14.4%</b>	<b>369,738</b>	<b>352,991</b>	<b>4.7%</b>

**Notes:**

Number of Complainants: 32

62% (55 of 89) of the complaints were related to operations between 10pm and 7am

12.3% ( 11 of 89) of the complaints came from complainants residing in Seal Beach or Huntington Beach

\* City Noise Ordinance currently allows for 41 air carrier and 25 commuter carrier flight slots, for a total of 66 daily flights.



Noise Complainants  
December 2006





**LONG BEACH AIRPORT MONTHLY REPORT  
COMMERCIAL LATE NIGHT ACTIVITY (10pm - 7am)  
December 2006**

**Current Month and CY-T-D Statistics for Long Beach Airport**

	December 2006			CY-T-D 2006		
	2006	2005	%Change	2006	2005	%Change
<b><u>Air Carrier &amp; Commuter Operations</u></b>	2,190	2,392	-8.4%	25,833	28,939	-10.7%
<b>10pm - 11pm Operations</b>						
Alaska	1	0		52	42	23.8%
American Airlines	0	0		2	22	-90.9%
Delta/SkyWest	0	0		2	0	
DHL/Airborne	0	0		0	0	
FedEx	0	0		1	1	
JetBlue Airways	21	9	133.3%	352	321	9.7%
UPS	0	0		0	1	
US Airways/America West	0	0		7	40	-82.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>144.4%</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>-2.6%</b>
<b>11pm - 7am Operations</b>						
Alaska	1	0		3	7	
American Airlines	0	0		0	0	
Delta/SkyWest	0	0		2	0	
DHL/Airborne	0	0		0	0	
FedEx	0	0		0	0	
JetBlue Airways*	4	6		80	51	56.9%
US Airways/America West	0	1		0	6	
UPS	0	0		0	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-28.6%</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>30.8%</b>
<b>10pm - 7am Grand Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>68.8%</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>1.8%</b>

**Notes:**

1.2% (27 of 2,190) of total commercial operations occurred between 10pm - 7am.

.87 flights - Nightly average for ALL late night commercial flights, includes unanticipated delays.

0.16 flights - Nightly average for commercial flights after 11 PM.

\* 2 of 4 JetBlue 11pm - 7am operations occurred within the 5 minute guideline



## LONG BEACH AIRPORT MONTHLY REPORT NOISE VIOLATIONS

December 2006

Current Month and CY-T-D Statistics for Long Beach Airport  
December 2006

	December 2006			CY-T-D 2006		
	2006	2005	%Change	2006	2005	%Change
<b><u>Air Carrier Violations</u></b>						
Alaska	1	0		4	3	33.3%
American Airlines	0	0		0	8	
DHL/Airborne	0	0		0	0	
FedEx	0	0		0	0	
JetBlue Airways	2	8	-75.0%	75	47	59.6%
UPS*	1	0		6	6	
US Airways/America West	0	0		0	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-50.0%</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>26.9%</b>
<b><u>Commuter Violations</u></b>						
Delta/SkyWest	0	0		0	0	
US Airways/America West	0	0		1	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b><u>Non-Commercial Violations</u></b>						
All GA, Charter & other	20	11	81.8%	258	252	2.4%
<b>TOTAL NOISE VIOLATIONS</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>26.3%</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>7.8%</b>
<b><u>Airport Monetary Fines Issued</u></b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$600</b>		<b>\$39,900</b>	<b>\$30,300</b>	
<b><u>Consent Decree Fines Issued</u></b>	<b>\$9,000</b>	<b>\$48,000</b>		<b>\$348,000</b>	<b>\$303,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL MONETARY FINES ISSUED</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>	<b>\$48,600</b>		<b>\$387,900</b>	<b>\$333,300</b>	
<b><u>Airport Operations (FAA)</u></b>						
Air Carrier + Commuter Carriers	2,190	2,392	-8.4%	25,833	28,939	-10.7%
Air Taxi + General Aviation	29,032	24,901	16.6%	343,255	323,454	6.1%
Military Operations	49	43	14.0%	650	598	8.7%
<b>TOTAL AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>31,271</b>	<b>27,336</b>	<b>14.4%</b>	<b>369,738</b>	<b>352,991</b>	<b>4.7%</b>

**Notes:**

0.08% (24 of 31,271) of the Airport's total aircraft operations (Commercial & GA) resulted in a noise violation.

0.2% ( 4of 2190) of the Airport's Commercial operations (Commercial & Commuter) resulted in a noise violation.

\*UPS' violation was for a daytime SENEL dB exceedence on arrival runway 30.



## LONG BEACH AIRPORT MONTHLY REPORT NOISE VIOLATIONS December 2006

JetBlue Airways Corporation	12/1/2006 11:48:13 PM	A	30	A320	10	93.3	79.0	ALT ENF
JetBlue Airways Corporation	12/1/2006 11:59:07 PM	A	30	A320	10	92.9	79.0	ALT ENF
California Air Charter LLC	12/5/2006 6:43:33 AM	A	30	BE20	10	92.6	90.0	VIOLATION
Pak West Airlines	12/5/2006 11:35:51 PM	A	30	LJ35	10	92	79.0	VIOLATION
Pak West Airlines	12/6/2006 12:37:49 AM	D	30	LJ35	9	82.5	79.0	T/C
SCHAEFER AMBULANCE SERVICE	12/7/2006 11:23:03 PM	D	30	C500	9	81.6	79.0	VIOLATION
EXTRA 300EM INC.	12/8/2006 3:30:16 PM	D	25R	E300	6	94.3	92.0	VIOLATION
RAL Capital LLC.	12/8/2006 11:13:26 PM	D	30	VV25	9	90.5	79.0	VIOLATION
Wallace William H Trustee	12/9/2006 1:59:34 PM	D	25R	C182	6	94.1	92.0	VIOLATION
Classic Pacific Investments LLC.	12/9/2006 11:48:55 PM	A	30	BE30	10	87.7	79.0	VIOLATION
Comtel Air	12/10/2006 1:04:09 AM	A	30	FA900	10	89.6	79.0	VIOLATION
Private	12/10/2006 3:21:05 PM	D	25R	C182	6	94.4	92.0	VIOLATION
Comtel Air	12/11/2006 12:23:24 AM	D	30	FA900	9	100.5	79.0	T/C
United Parcel Service	12/11/2006 5:28:26 PM	A	30	B76S	10	107	101.5	VIOLATION
California Air Charter LLC	12/12/2006 6:40:46 AM	A	30	BE20	10	93.3	90.0	VIOLATION
Tristar Aviation Management	12/15/2006 11:27:12 PM	A	30	C550	10	83.6	79.0	VIOLATION
Cor Aviation LLC.	12/17/2006 6:37:35 AM	A	30	G4	10	92.2	90.0	VIOLATION
Centurion Assets LLC.	12/17/2006 1:26:57 PM	D	25R	C210	6	94.5	92.0	VIOLATION
West Coast Charters LLC.	12/20/2006 11:31:41 AM	A	25R	BE20	1	90.3	88.0	VIOLATION
Flight Options Inc	12/21/2006 4:54:37 AM	D	30	C750	9	82	79.0	VIOLATION
M & S Airsupply DBA	12/21/2006 8:07:05 AM	D	25R	SEP	6	95.5	92.0	VIOLATION
Tristar Aviation Management	12/23/2006 12:17:10 AM	A	30	C550	10	82.1	79.0	VIOLATION
King-Sized Development LLC.	12/24/2006 7:44:14 AM	D	25R	C210	6	95.1	92.0	VIOLATION
ALASKA AIRLINES	12/27/2006 11:09:33 PM	D	30	MD80	9	96	79.0	VIO & ALT
Private	12/30/2006 6:40:21 AM	D	30	PA30	9	92.3	90.0	VIOLATION
King-Sized Development LLC.	12/31/2006 11:43:22 AM	D	25R	C210	6	96.3	92.0	T/C