



Long Beach Airport

Green Airport Program and Neighborhood Protection Program Presentation-Follow up

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Green Airport Program

Additional information based on
Council Questions from 10/23/07
presentation.



Green Airport Program

The City Manager will designate the Airport Advisory Commission as the Performance Monitor for the Green Airport Program and Neighborhood Protection Program.

Semi-annual progress updates will be provided to City Council. ³



Green Airport Program

Suggested wording for air quality to strive to achieve a “no net increase” policy is limited by the Clean Air Act language and FAA authority.

We pledge to work toward a “no net increase” policy and strategies will be implemented where local controls are possible. ⁴



Green Airport Program

Response to questions regarding EIR mitigation measures limited to terminal construction—

The EIR under CEQA is tied to impacts caused by a proposed project. There were no daily operations identified as EIR mitigation requirements.

The Green Airport Program is targeted to address Airport Operations.

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Green Airport Program

On-site parking for airport purposes is identified as a strategy to minimize environmental impacts both on and off the Airport.

Effective operation of the Parking Structure will be a key design element of the project.

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Green Airport Program

The analysis of the potential location, cost and operating expense of a non-Airport off-site parking facility has not been done. At the direction of Council such a study could be developed.

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Green Airport Program

Minutes from the Planning Commission meeting where the Airport Parking Structure site review was considered are being provided to Council.

A staff report will accompany the site review appeal to the City Council with additional background information as part of that process.

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Green Airport Program

Regarding questions about efforts to provide bus or shuttle services utilizing alternatively fueled vehicles, there are several private shuttle companies that serve the Airport and many are moving to alternatively fueled vehicles. Long Beach Transit provides bus service to the Airport which links to transit connections in LA and Orange Counties. LBT continues to convert their fleet to alternatively fueled buses.

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Green Airport Program

Regarding recommendations to request AQMD to install additional air quality monitors in the vicinity of the Airport, communications have been sent and staff will continue to work with AQMD to increase the level of permanent air quality monitoring.

Staff have investigated membership in N.O.I.S.E. and support establishing membership with annual dues of \$3,000.

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Green Airport Program

Solar and Green Building standards will be part of the design consideration of all Airport facilities.

We will begin with the goal of LEED Platinum standards for the Parking Structure and Terminal designs and will identify opportunities and feasibility of solar and "green" features.

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Neighborhood Protection Plan

Regarding a program name, staff have been using "Neighborhood Protection Plan" and are open to any suggested name change. As an update to the schedule, staff have been working with FAA to establish the necessary approval for program development based on acceptance of EIR noise contours.

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Next Steps

The contract for mobile noise monitoring will be brought to Council for award in December.

An RFP for the development and implementation of the Neighborhood Protection Plan will be advertised in December. Award of the contract will go to Council in March 2008.

Staff anticipates consideration of implementation costs as part of the 2009 budget process.

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Additional Questions

Regarding establishment of a fund specific to Airport litigation needs, staff feels that the ability to fund Airport litigation needs with Airport Funds has been established.

Regarding funding discussions with airport stakeholders, monthly meetings are being held with the group regarding development of terminal improvements and the understanding that costs associated with the project will be borne by users has been stated.

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