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### LAX MODERNIZATION UPDATE:

## WORK TO BUILD A GOLD-STANDARD AIRPORT REACHES ANOTHER MILESTONE

(Los Angeles, California – March 1, 2017) Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) is springing into March with work continuing on its \$14-billion modernization effort, including nearly two dozen projects with almost \$3 million spent each day to improve the guest experience. Passengers using LAX in March will need to plan ahead to navigate sidewalk and vehicle lane closures and in-terminal work. Construction alerts showing Central Terminal Area (CTA) roadway lane restrictions and sidewalk closures, as well as a pedestrian walking map and helpful airline terminal finder, can be found at <u>www.laxishappening.com</u>. LAX is also on Waze, the community-based traffic reporting app, to provide real-time traffic status in and around the CTA.

#### Midfield Satellite Concourse:

The groundbreaking for the new \$1.6 billion Midfield Satellite Concourse (MSC) took place February 27, 2017, marking another milestone in the modernization of LAX. Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and airport officials, using gold shovels, broke ground on phase one of the MSC. The state-of-theart, five-level facility and an associated new baggage system will provide the nation's second busiest airport with 12 new gates, a greatly enhanced guest experience, and additional flexibility to accommodate aircraft while other terminal upgrades at



City and airport officials, including Mayor Eric Garcetti, center, marked the groundbreaking of the Midfield Satellite Concourse on February 27.

LAX are underway. The new construction is taking place on the airfield and will have minimal impact on passengers. Tunnel and Gateway building construction around the Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) will be phased so that no more than two TBIT gates will be closed at any time.

# Roadway Impacts in and near the CTA:

- Work to install metal panels on the elevator tower at Parking Structure 3 will require the closure of the leftmost lane Monday-Saturday mornings on the Lower/Arrivals Level through mid-March.
- Portions of the drop-off lane on the Upper/Departures Level in front of Terminal 1 are closed until April as part of Southwest Airlines' renovation project. During busy travel times such as early morning and midday, passenger drop-off causes traffic backups on the roads leading into the CTA, affecting access to all other terminals. Drivers may find it easier to drop off passengers between Terminals 1 and 2. The entire drop-off lane is closed weeknights from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. while a canopy is constructed over the sidewalk. To avoid traffic congestion at LAX from early morning to 2 p.m., motorists are asked to use the Lower/Arrivals Level to drop off passengers, who can take elevators, escalators or stairs up to the departures level.



The left lane of World Way at Parking Structure 3 is closed Monday-Saturday mornings for the installation of metal panels on the west elevator tower.

- United Airlines' redevelopment of Terminal 7 has closed a 135-foot section of the passenger drop-off area on the Upper/Departures Level, which will remain in place through April.
- Caltrans work to seal bridges on Interstate 105 in the LAX area will result in some lane and access ramp closures Monday-Friday nights from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning.

## Terminal Construction/Renovation:

• **Terminal 1:** Phase 2 of Southwest Airlines' \$509-million Terminal 1 Renovation Project continues in the eastern part of the terminal, including the former check-in lobby, with barricades in place. The pedestrian bridge connecting Parking Structure 1 and the terminal is closed, with signs placed to direct passengers. The restrooms on the ticketing level have been temporarily replaced by unisex restrooms on the western side of the lobby. Passengers may also use restrooms located on the Lower/Arrivals Level or in the terminal beyond passenger security screening. Gates 16A, 16B, 18A and 18B are temporarily closed. Reilly's Irish Pub is scheduled to open near Gate 13 in mid-March.

Work continues in the food court area. Westfield is phasing in new concessions, with a total of 24 to be installed through 2017.

- **Terminal 2:** Gate 27 is closed through mid-March.
- Terminal 3: The waiting area at Gate 30 has reopened. A food court, including Shake Shack, LA Life and a new Starbucks location, will open later this year.
- Tom Bradley International Terminal: Gates 122, 123A, 123B and 123C are closed for renovation.
- Terminal 4: Two new Automated Screening Lanes (ASLs) are scheduled to open in March at the TSA Security Screening Check Point. One of the lanes will be assigned to Pre-Check customers, while the other will be open to all passengers. The ASLs allow five travelers to fill their bins at the same time. Wait times are expected to be reduced by 30 percent. American Airlines continues the multi-million dollar renovation of the Admirals Club and Flagship Lounge and further



New concessions, including Shake Shack, are slated to open in Terminal 3 later this year.



The news that Shake Shack is coming to Terminal 3 at LAX was warmly received on Instagram.

upgrades to terminal signage. American is set to receive new customer buses for inter-terminal transportation.

- **Terminal 5:** American Airlines has relocated its four gates at Terminal 6 to Terminal 5, which is adjacent to American's hub operations in Terminal 4, improving operations and the customer experience. A water-bottle filler has been installed near Gate 50A.
- **Terminal 6:** Delta Air Lines will operate for several months from Gates 60-63 in addition to Gates 68A, 68B and 69B. A Peet's Coffee store is under construction and will open later this year.
- **Terminals 7/8:** United Airlines is continuing its \$573-million Terminal 7/8 Renovation Project scheduled for completion in early 2018. The Security Screening Check Point at the bridge level is permanently closed. The bridge from Parking Structure 7 is closed through May 2017 for elevator demolition and construction. Access to the parking structure is available on the Lower/Arrivals

Level. Two new elevators are being constructed near the bridge and expected to open in May. Gates 72, 75A and 80 are closed for renovations. Work continues on a new Baggage Carousel 1, with temporary walls in place. The United Baggage Service office is in a temporary location near the new restrooms on the west end of the baggage claim area, and must be accessed from the street. Terminals 7 and 8 can be reached using East Way, a short-cut accessible from the left lane in front of Terminal 1.

#### Sidewalk/Walkway/Parking Structure Restrictions and Closures:

- As part of Southwest's Terminal 1 Renovation Project, portions of the sidewalk on the Upper/Departures Level will be closed through 2017 with pedestrians routed around barricades.
- Upgrades to the elevators in the east tower at Parking Structure 1 will close a portion of the sidewalk on the Lower/Arrivals Level through March.
- No parking is allowed on the roof of Parking Structure 1 through mid-April due to waterproofing work.
- Portions of the sidewalk at Terminals 2 and 3 on the Lower/Arrivals Level are restricted overnight while electrical conduit is installed.
- Work on the west side elevators at Parking Structure 3 has temporarily closed a portion of the sidewalk. A detour leads passengers safely to the crosswalk to reach Terminal 3. Signs are also posted to direct passengers to other elevators in the parking structure.



The roof of Parking Structure 1 will be closed until mid-April for waterproofing work.

- Work to install security bollards on the Upper/Departures Level will close portions of the sidewalk in front of several terminals. An ADA-compliant path of travel will be maintained at all times.
- The crosswalk between Parking Structure 3 and TBIT on the Lower/Arrivals Level will be closed until early March. Alternative routes across World Way include the crosswalk between the parking structure and Terminal 3, the Upper/Departures Level crosswalk between the structure and TBIT, and the crosswalk from the charter bus parking area south of the parking structure.
- Work to install new landscaping around Parking Structures 3 and 4 may result in sidewalk restrictions. Signs will be posted when necessary.
- The two elevators in the east tower of Parking Structure 4 are out of service through April, while upgrades are performed. Two other pairs of elevators remain in service.

- The elevators on the west side of Parking Structure 7 are closed through April, with passengers directed to the recently renovated elevators on the east side of the structure. The adjacent sidewalk along East Way and World Way is also closed.
- Pedestrians are routed to a bump-out sidewalk on the Upper/Departures Level at Terminal 7 while the sidewalk is widened. A 175-foot-long barricade exists along the easternmost sidewalk on the Upper/Departures Level of Terminals 7/8 through 2017.

## Landside Access Modernization Program:

To improve the passenger experience, relieve congestion and enhance LAX's status as a world-class airport, Los Angeles World Airports has proposed the Landside Access Modernization Program (LAMP). The program, which includes an Automated People Mover for access to the CTA, a Consolidated Rent-A-Car Center and connection to Metro light-rail service, requires federal and local approval as part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Thus far, some exploratory work, such as geotechnical surveying, has taken place. When work begins on the program, updates on the construction impacts will be included in this news release.

#### Please note that all dates provided in this notice are subject to change.

Traffic alerts and current airport conditions are posted on LAX's social media sites at <u>www.Facebook/com/LAInternationalAirport</u> and <u>www.Twitter.com/flyLAXairport</u>. A construction hotline at (310) 649-LAWA or (310) 649-5292 is also available. Real-time traffic conditions in and around the airport are available at <u>www.laxishappening.com</u> and by following @<u>LAAirportPD</u> on Twitter.

Airport officials are asking motorists to help reduce traffic congestion in and around LAX by taking sharedride public transportation to and from LAX, including the inexpensive and convenient FlyAway® bus service to and from Hollywood, Long Beach, Metro Orange Line Bus stop (in San Fernando Valley), Union Station, Van Nuys and Westwood. If picking up passengers, motorists are encouraged to park and wait at the free LAX Cell Phone Waiting Lot at the intersection of 96th Street and Vicksburg Avenue, next to the entrance of LAX Economy Parking Lot C.

#### About Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)

LAX is the seventh busiest airport in the world and third in the United States. LAX served more than 80.9 million passengers in 2016. LAX offers 742 daily nonstop flights to 101 cities in the U.S. and 1,280 weekly nonstop flights to 77 cities in 42 countries on 64 commercial air carriers. LAX ranks 14th in the world and fifth in the U.S. in air cargo tonnage processed, with more than 2.2 million tons of air cargo valued at over \$101.4 billion. LAX handled 697,138 operations (landings and takeoffs) in 2016.

An economic study based on 2014 operations reported LAX generated 620,610 jobs in Southern California with labor income of \$37.3 billion and economic output (business revenues) of more than \$126.6 billion. This activity

added \$6.2 billion to local and state revenues and \$8.7 billion in federal tax revenues. The study also reported that LAX's ongoing capital-improvement program creates an additional 121,640 annual jobs with labor income of \$7.6 billion and economic output of \$20.3 billion, \$966 million in state and local taxes, and \$1.6 billion in federal tax revenues.

LAX is part of a system of two Southern California airports – along with Van Nuys general aviation – that are owned and operated by Los Angeles World Airports, a proprietary department of the City of Los Angeles that receives no funding from the City's general fund.

For more information about LAX, please visit <u>www.lawa.aero/lax</u> or follow on Twitter @flyLAXAirport, on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/LAInternationalAirport</u>, and on YouTube at

<u>www.YouTube.com/laxairport1</u>. Information about LAX's ongoing multi-billion-dollar LAX Modernization Program, as well as tips and shortcuts to help navigate LAX during construction, are available at <u>www.LAXisHappening.com</u>.

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