



COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

Airports Commission

FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 WORK PLAN

AND

FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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MISSION STATEMENT:

The Airports Commission is an advisory body to the Board of Supervisors and, upon request, to the Transportation Agency. Its purpose is to provide policy guidance to the Board of Supervisors and the Transportation Agency on the planning and operation of General Aviation airports operated by the County of Santa Clara; to provide a public forum for all parties interested in County airport planning and operations, and to establish effective working relationships with the various community and government organizations concerned with airport operations in Santa Clara County.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

The Airports Commission was established by Ordinance No. NS-300.359, adopted August 17, 1982 by the Board of Supervisors.

FISCAL YEAR 2010 WORK PLAN

GOAL/OBJECTIVE	PROPOSED ACTIVITIES	PRIORITY RANKING	TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION
<p>1. Review, provide recommendations and follow-up as appropriate regarding the various reports, studies applications and environmental reviews.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff reports • Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant applications. • Environmental study review. • Budget. 		<p align="center">June 2011</p>
<p>2. Support establishment of a JCRC for E16 and appointments to the RHV JCRC.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend that the Board of Supervisors establish a JCRC for E16 and make suitable appointments. • Encourage to Board to make appointments to the existing RHV JCRC. 		<p align="center">December 2010</p>
<p>3. Operational AWOS systems for E16.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with staff and others to get the system installed and operating. 		<p align="center">June 2010</p>
<p>4. Draw out community interest in the County airports.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Commission workshop meetings at each County airport. • Notify local pilots and the community that the meeting will be held at their airport. 		<p align="center">October 2010</p>
<p>5. Review and update bylaws.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review bylaws for consistency. • incorporate changes as necessary. 		<p align="center">April 2011</p>

PRIOR YEAR'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

GOAL/OBJECTIVE	ACTIVITIES SUPPORTING GOAL	STATUS
1. Reviewed and provided recommendations on various reports, studies and applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked closely with staff and members of the public to review the plans. 	Complete
2. Worked with staff and members of the public on the review of Airports Master Plans and Business Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held meetings during the year to meet these objectives. 	Complete

ONGOING PROJECTS

GOAL/OBJECTIVE	PROPOSED ACTIVITIES
<p>1. Continue to receive bi-monthly staff reports regarding operations and property management at the County Airports.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage enhancement and development of the airports. • Address issues such as occupancy status, property management policies and the ongoing monitoring of revenue streams that are important to the long-term viability of the Airport System and Airport Enterprise Fund.
<p>2. Strive to enhance communications with the Airports staff and the Board of Supervisors on vital issues.</p>	<p>Vital Issues include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compatible planning for future economic development. • Noise abatement and pilot education programs. • Budget and financial issues. • Safety improvements. • Airport plans and procedures. • Leasing policies. • Airport security.
<p>3. Continue to improve communication among Commission members, the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC), all Joint Community Relations Committees (JCRCs), and the Regional Airport Planning Committee (RAPC).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek new avenues to expand our outreach to both pilots and the community-at-large. • Encourage the Board of Supervisors to nominate community representatives to the RHV JCRC.
<p>4. Review and provide recommendations on reducing the carbon footprint of County Airports.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward formulated recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.
<p>5. Transition management of PAO to the City of Palo Alto.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to work with the City of Palo Alto and the County toward a successful transition of PAO airport management.