



**Recommendation:**

Review and discuss the bylaws of the Aviation Advisory Commission.

**C. Subject: Receive and File Report from County Counsel Regarding the Feasibility of Creating an Appeal Process for Terminations of Month-to-Month Leases of Aircraft Storage Hangars**

**Recommendation:**

Staff requests that your Commission receive and file the report from County Counsel regarding the Feasibility of Creating an Appeal Process for terminations of Month-to-Month Leases of Aircraft Storage Hangars.

**7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**8. REPORTS**

Monthly Activity Report – January 2019  
Monthly Noise Complaints – January 2019  
Airport Tenant Project Status – February 2019  
Project Status – February 2019  
Rotation Schedule  
Meeting Calendar

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter dated January 24, 2019 from Erin Powers to Jim Harris, Coffman Associates, Inc. re: Notice to Proceed, Camarillo Airport – Airfield Geometry Study and Airfield Drainage Study for Runway 8-26 and Taxiway Connectors, AEA No. 18-12

Letter dated January 24, 2019 from Erin Powers to Venco Western, Inc. re: Notice to Proceed for Camarillo Airport – DOA STORAGE YARD IRRIGATION AND LANDSCAPE, Specification No.: DOA 19-01 (N), Project No.: CMA-207C, City of Camarillo: IPD-402

Letter dated January 31, 2019 from Erin Powers to Joe Vacca, City of Camarillo re: Capital Improvement Program for Camarillo Airport

Letter dated January 31, 2019 from Erin Powers to Kathleen Mallory, City of Oxnard re: Capital Improvement Program for Oxnard Airport

Letter dated January 31, 2019 from Erin Powers to Brenda Perez, Federal Aviation Administration re: 5 Year Airport Capital Improvements Plan (ACIP), CMA – NPIAS NO. 06-0339, OXR – NPIAS NO. 06-0179

Letter dated February 12, 2019 from Jorge Rubio to Graeme Flynn, SBA Communications Corporation re: Conceptual Approval of Sprint's Equipment Upgrades/Additions at SBA Communications' Telecommunications Facility at 2889 West 5<sup>th</sup> St., Oxnard, CA 93030

Letter dated February 14, 2019 from John Feldhans to Whom It May Concern re: Camarillo Hangar Waitlist

**10. MISCELLANEOUS HANDOUTS – None**

**11. INFORMATION**

**12. COMMISSION COMMENTS** - Comments by Commission members on matters deemed appropriate.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular Commission meeting will be on Monday, April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the City of Camarillo Council Chambers, 601 Carmen Drive, Camarillo, California.

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IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OF CAMARILLO CLERK AT (805) 388-5353 OR ANA CASTRO AT (805) 388-4211. NOTIFICATION 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING WILL ENABLE THE CITY/DEPARTMENT OF AIRPORTS TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING.

## AVIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

### MINUTES

February 4, 2019

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair, Gary Jacobs, called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

##### PRESENT

Gary Jacobs  
Steve Weiss  
Harvey Paskowitz  
Adriana Van der Graaf  
Bruce Hamous  
James Flickinger  
Robert Trimborn

##### ABSENT

Maggie Bird (E)  
Bobby Williams (E)  
Nanette Metz

Excused (E)  
Late (L)

##### AIRPORT STAFF

Jorge Rubio  
Erin Powers  
Jamal Ghazaleh  
Ana Castro

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 7, 2019

*Steve Weiss moved to approve the January minutes and James Flickinger seconded the motion. Robert Trimborn abstained. All others voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.*

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4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Citizens wishing to speak to the Commission on an airport related item must fill out a speaker card and submit it to the secretary. Comments will be limited to a maximum of **three** minutes per item.

*Speaker cards for issues NOT on the agenda must be submitted before the end of the public comment period.*

*Speaker cards for issues listed on the agenda must be presented before the item is up for consideration. Speakers will be called when the item is presented.*

None.

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **Subject: Receive and File Report on Process for Termination of Month-to-Month Leases of Aircraft Storage Hangars**

**Recommendation:**

Staff requests that your Commission/Authorities receive and file the below report on the current process for termination of month-to-month leases of aircraft storage hangars.

Acting Director Jorge Rubio provided staff's report on this item and went over a PowerPoint presentation. Mr. Rubio explained that the department can terminate a month-to-month lease for cause and also for no-cause. He went on to describe the process for each method. It was clarified that the Fourteenth Amendment, as it pertains to loss of property, does not apply when a month-to-month lease is terminated due to the fact that a contract is in place. A question was posed as to who retains ownership of a private hangar should the tenant be evicted. It was clarified that if a tenant of a County-owned hangar is given a 30-day notice but refuses to vacate the property after the allotted time, the department would file an Unlawful Detainer action. It was also clarified that the month-to-month leases do not provide for an appeals process whereby the tenant can appeal a lease termination to another body such as the Aviation Advisory Commission or Airport Authorities.

***Steve Weiss moved to approve staff's recommendation and Harvey Paskowitz seconded the motion. All others voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.***

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**B. Subject: Approval of the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for Camarillo and Oxnard Airports; Authorization for the Director of Airports, or His Designee, to Apply for Grants to Fund Projects Scheduled for Federal Fiscal Years 2019 and 2020 Outlined in the CIP upon Notification from the Federal Aviation Administration and the California Department of Transportation Aeronautics Program That Funds Are Available**

**Recommendations:**

Staff requests that your Commission/Authorities recommend that the Board of Supervisors (Board):

1. Approve the five-year capital improvement plan (CIP) for Camarillo and Oxnard Airports (Attachment); and
2. Authorize the Director of Airports, or his designee, to apply for grants to fund the projects scheduled for federal fiscal years (FFY) 2019 and 2020 outlined in the CIP upon notification from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the California Department of Transportation Aeronautics Program (Caltrans) that funds are available. ***These projects are subject to approval in the County budget process, as explained below.***

Projects Administrator Erin Powers provided staff's report on this item and went over a PowerPoint presentation detailing the five-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for Camarillo Airport and Oxnard Airport. Ms. Powers shared that the CIP only covers federally eligible projects and does not include non-grant projects.

***Steve Weiss moved to approve staff's recommendations and Robert Trimborn seconded the motion. All others voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.***

**7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Acting Director Jorge Rubio provided an update on the hangar leases. The department continues to meet with VCHOTA and another meeting is scheduled in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Rubio shared that the County Executive Office still has an open nationwide recruitment to fill the director position and interviews will be scheduled in the next few weeks.

Mr. Rubio also shared that as a result of the government shutdown, air traffic controllers at Camarillo Airport were not paid. However, air traffic controllers at Oxnard Airport were paid by a contractor.

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## **8. REPORTS**

Monthly Activity Report – December 2018  
Monthly Noise Complaints – December 2018  
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***Reports were received and filed.***

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter dated January 8, 2019 from Madeline Herrle to Gerald Alves, APL re: Row “H” Hangar Project – Surety Bond

Letter dated January 24, 2019 from Jorge Rubio to Bill Burr, Burr Family Trust re: 65 Durley Ave, Camarillo, California – Camarillo Airport, Proposed Sale and Lease Assignment(s)

***Correspondence was received and filed.***

## **10. MISCELLANEOUS HANDOUTS**

***Information was received and filed.***

## **11. INFORMATION**

None.

## **12. COMMISSION COMMENTS**

During the meeting, a discussion took place about whether an appeals process for tenants who are evicted from a hangar with no-cause can be incorporated into the lease agreement. Chair Gary Jacobs requested that this item be placed on the agenda for next month’s meeting. Specifically, Mr. Jacobs asked County Counsel to report back to the Commission to see if there is a legal way to incorporate an appeals process into the month-to-month lease agreements and whether the Board of Supervisors would support this type of recommendation.

Commissioner Adriana Van der Graaf also requested that County Counsel report back on a process where a uniform message from the Commission can be transmitted to the Board of Supervisors. Currently each Commissioner reports back to the supervisor from their district and in this process only individual Commission member perceptions are transmitted.

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Commissioner Harvey Paskowitz requested that another item be placed on next month's agenda. Specifically, Mr. Paskowitz requested a review of the bylaws for the Aviation Advisory Commission and suggested that a sub-committee be formed to potentially make recommendations to modify the bylaws. Chair Gary Jacobs formally requested that a review of the bylaws be placed on next month's agenda however he stated that any recommendations to modify the bylaws may have to be a separate agenda item. Chair Jacobs also requested that department staff provide Commission members with the latest bylaws.

### **13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the February 4, 2019 meeting of the Aviation Advisory Commission was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

JORGE E. RUBIO, A.A.E.  
Administrative Secretary

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March 4, 2019

Aviation Advisory Commission  
555 Airport Way, Suite B  
Camarillo, CA 93010

**Subject:** Review and Discuss the Bylaws of the Aviation Advisory Commission

**Recommendation:**

Review and discuss the bylaws of the Aviation Advisory Commission.

**Discussion:**

At your February 2019 meeting, your Commission requested a review of its bylaws.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please call me at 388-4201.



JORGE E. RUBIO, A.A.E.  
Acting Director of Airports

Attachment – Amended By-Laws of the Ventura County Aviation Advisory Commission

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF VENTURA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CONCERNING THE AMENDED BY-LAWS OF THE VENTURA COUNTY AVIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors has adopted by-laws for the Ventura County Aviation Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to amend those by-laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Ventura, State of California, as follows:

1. The following provisions shall constitute the by-laws of the Ventura County Aviation Advisory Commission:

ARTICLE 1. NAME - The Commission shall be called "The Ventura County Aviation Advisory Commission" hereinafter referred to as "Commission". The Commission shall be subordinate to, and directly accountable to, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, hereinafter referred to as "Board".

ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE - The Commission shall advise the Board on matters pertaining to the County owned airports, and on matters of promotion and advancement of the orderly development of air transportation in Ventura County. The Commission shall advise the Department of Airports on technical and operational matters pertaining to the airports. The Commission from time to time may seek information from airport users, lessees, the general public, and agencies of the Federal, State, and local government on County airport operational and administrative

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matters and on air transportation concerns in general for the purpose of formulating recommendations to the Board. It shall be the purpose of the Commission to act in an unbiased manner, representing the people of Ventura County, the users of County airport facilities, and all those directly concerned with aviation activities. The Commission in its deliberation shall consider in all matters the socio-economic-environmental effects of its actions, decisions, and recommendations.

ARTICLE 3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES - The Commission's primary duty is to act in an advisory capacity to the Board. The Commission shall have the responsibility to review and research information and to formulate recommendations to be sent to the Board for consideration and action. The Commission shall not take any action or conduct any activity which is inconsistent with these by-laws. Except for urgency and emergency matters and any other matters requiring immediate action by the Board, all matters concerning the County airports or the air transportation system within Ventura County requiring Board action shall first be referred to the Commission for its study and consideration prior to submission to the Board for action. Department of Airports staff shall provide assistance, including obtaining legal and other technical assistance, necessary in the development of information required by the Commission in formulating its recommendations. The Administrator, Department of Airports, may request the Commission to review and to make recommendations on matters under its jurisdiction which would normally not require Board action or approval. All disputes

with the Commission's decisions, or recommendations counter to those of the Commission by County staff, the public, or other parties of interest shall be referred to the Board for consideration. The Commission shall, at all of its meetings, set aside time for public comment and input on the matters at hand. It shall hear all complaints, suggestions, and viewpoints from airport users, lessees, and parties of interest. The Commission shall give fair, open-minded consideration to public comment and make its dispositions public in all matters brought before it. The Commission may hold public hearings when necessary to serve the public interest. Correspondence containing representations and/or recommendations of the Commission being sent to the Board, individuals of the public, or other agencies of the County shall first be approved by a majority vote of the Commission, and such materials shall be transmitted under the signature of the Chairman of the Commission or his designee. Correspondence containing County policy or representations being sent to Federal, State or other non-county agencies shall be sent to the Board for approval and signature.

ARTICLE 4. MEMBERSHIP - The Commission shall be composed of ten (10) members. Each supervisor will nominate two candidates who reside within his supervisorial district. Approval of each candidate for membership shall be by a majority vote of the Board. Members of the Commission shall possess a knowledge of aviation matters, and have some experience in administrative proceedings. Members must be reasonably free to attend the regular meetings, and on occasion to serve on committees

requiring additional time. In the event a member of the Commission has been absent for three consecutive meetings without an excused absence, the Chairman may request the Board to remove the member and to appoint a replacement to fill the vacancy.

ARTICLE 5. COMPENSATION - No compensation shall be paid for serving as a member of the Commission. Members of the Commission may be reimbursed out-of-pocket costs for expenses incurred on Commission business when previously approved by the Commission and the Board and when funds for expense reimbursement have been approved by the Board of Supervisors in the operational budget or otherwise.

ARTICLE 6. OFFICERS - The Commission shall select from its membership a Chairman, and a Vice-Chairman. Each shall serve for one calendar year beginning on the first meeting in January. The Chairman shall be responsible for conducting the meetings and may be guided by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised. The Administrator of the Department of Airports shall act as the Commission's Administrative Secretary. The Administrative Secretary shall be directly responsible to the Chairman and the Commission for the administrative and secretarial needs of the Commission. From time to time the Chairman will assign members to committees for purposes of special studies and pursuits. Each committee will be headed by a committee chairman. The committee chairman shall be responsible to the Commission for carrying out its assigned task.

ARTICLE 7. TERM - Commissioners shall be appointed to serve on the Commission for a term which is concurrent with the nominating supervisor's term of office. The term of a Commissioner shall immediately terminate at the end of the nominating supervisor's term of office.

ARTICLE 8. MEETINGS - The Commission shall hold meetings once each month at a time and place selected by the Commission. Meetings shall be open to the public. The Administrative Secretary shall prepare and publish the agenda for each meeting and have it distributed to Commission members and all interested parties after it has been approved by the Chairman or his designee. Meetings may be cancelled only on approval of the Chairman. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman. In the absence or unavailability of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall assume all duties and responsibilities of the Chairman. In the absence of both officers, the next most senior member in terms of service on the Commission shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the Chairman. No action shall be taken except by a majority of a quorum of the Commission. A quorum shall exist when at least five (5) Commissioners are present. Voting shall normally take place by voice vote unless ballot vote is requested by any one member. The secretary shall poll each member and record his or her vote on all motions acted upon by voice vote, and record the results of all ballot votes. An accurate record of each regular and special meeting shall be kept and published as appropriate.

ARTICLE 9. AMENDMENTS - Recommendations for amendments to these by-laws may be made by the Commission at any time by a majority vote of the full Commission. The number of members appointed at the time shall constitute the full Commission. Recommended amendments adopted by the Commission shall be sent to the Board for approval and enactment.

ARTICLE 10. EFFECTIVE DATE - These by-laws shall take effect upon approval. All prior versions of these by-laws are hereby repealed.

Upon motion of Supervisor Trickson, seconded by Supervisor Lacey, and duly carried, the foregoing resolution was approved on April 2, 1986.

James R. [Signature]  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

ATTEST:

RICHARD D. DEAN, County Clerk,  
County of Ventura, State of California, and ex officio Clerk of  
The Board of Supervisors thereof

BY [Signature]  
Deputy Clerk



March 4, 2019

Aviation Advisory Commission  
555 Airport Way, Suite B  
Camarillo, CA 93010

**Subject: Receive and File Report from County Counsel Regarding the Feasibility of Creating an Appeal Process for Terminations of Month-to-Month Leases of Aircraft Storage Hangars**

**Recommendation:**

Staff requests that your Commission receive and file the report from County Counsel regarding the Feasibility of Creating an Appeal Process for terminations of Month-to-Month Leases of Aircraft Storage Hangars.

**Discussion:**

At your February 2019 meeting, your Commission received and filed a report from staff regarding the process for termination of month-to-month leases for aircraft storage hangars. That report noted that the process did not include an administrative appeal of a lease termination, either to your Commission or to the Camarillo or Oxnard Airport Authorities. Your Commission requested that County Counsel report back on the feasibility of creating such an administrative appeal process.

County Counsel has prepared the attached report in response to your request and will be presenting it at the meeting.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please call me at 388-4201.



JORGE E. RUBIO, A.A.E.  
Acting Director of Airports

Attachment - Report from County Counsel Regarding an Appeals Process for Month-to-Month leases

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February 25, 2019

Aviation Advisory Commission  
555 Airport Way, Suite B  
Camarillo, California 93010

Re: Feasibility of Creating an Appeal Process for Terminations of Month-to-Month Leases of Aircraft Storage Hangars

Dear Aviation Advisory Commission:

At your February 2019 meeting, your Commission received and filed a report from staff regarding the process for termination of month-to-month leases for aircraft storage hangars. That report noted that the process did not include an administrative appeal of a lease termination, either to your Commission or to the Camarillo or Oxnard Airport Authorities. Your Commission requested that staff report back on the feasibility of creating such an administrative appeal process. On behalf of your Commission's staff, our office provides the following report:

In summary, it is not feasible to create an administrative appeal process, by which a month-to-month hangar tenant may contest the Department of Airports' decision to terminate the tenant's lease for no cause, with 30 days' notice.

First, all leases, by definition, are terminable without cause at the end of their terms. (Civ. Code, §§ 1925, 1933.) A non-self-renewing lease will terminate automatically, without notice, at the end of its term. In the case of a self-renewing month-to-month lease, the term is one month, but due to the self-renewing nature of the lease, notice must be given to the tenant that, in essence, the next month will be the last

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one. (Civ. Code, § 1946.) It is not legally possible to create a lease that self-renews but that cannot be terminated without claiming a breach of the lease. Such a tenancy would be viewed by the courts as a “fee simple subject to a condition subsequent,” meaning the tenant would actually be a landowner for as long as he kept the terms of the agreement. (Civ. Code, § 885.010; 12 Witkin, Summary of Cal. Law (11th ed. 2018) Real Property, § 18.) So, short of conveying fee-simple ownership to hangar tenants, the County cannot enter into agreements that self-renew forever and cannot be terminated except for cause.

Second, adding an appeal process to a month-to-month lease is equivalent to conveying fee-simple ownership, subject to a condition subsequent. This is because allowing a tenant to appeal a termination of a month-to-month lease is the same thing as saying the tenancy cannot be terminated except for cause. Where a tenancy is terminated without cause, there is nothing for an appeal body to review. So the very existence of an appeal process implies that there are grounds for the lease termination that are subject to review under objective standards. Therefore, a month-to-month lease that cannot be terminated without giving the tenant the right to an administrative appeal would constitute a fee-simple ownership interest.

Third, the Board of Supervisors may not delegate to any third party, including an advisory body, the power to enter into or terminate leases. Only the Board of Supervisors has the power to lease County property to third parties, and with that power comes the power to terminate those leases. (Gov. Code, §§ 25536, 50474.) The Board may delegate the exercise of its powers to County staff, who remain subject to the Board’s oversight. But the Board may not delegate its powers to any person or entity over which the Board does not exercise plenary control. (*Golightly v. Molina* (2014) 229 Cal.App.4th 1501, 1516 [legislative body may not confer unrestricted authority on administrative agency].) To do so would constitute an unlawful abdication of the Board’s powers. Thus, the Board may not delegate to your Commission the authority to terminate, or to reverse the termination, of a lease. The Board also may not delegate the same authority to the Oxnard or Camarillo Airport Authorities, for the same reason and for another reason: That the lease of County land is not a power held in common by the County and each of these cities. (Gov. Code, § 6502; *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy* (2010) 188 Cal.App.4th 952, 962 [a power may be exercised under a joint powers agreement only if each party could exercise that power unilaterally].)

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Because of the above, it is not legally feasible to create an appeal process, under which a month-to-month hangar tenant may appeal a no-cause lease termination to your Commission or to any other body, other than the judicial procedure allowed by the unlawful-detainer statutes.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'TWT', with a large, sweeping horizontal stroke above the letters.

THOMAS W. TEMPLE  
Assistant County Counsel

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## MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

Month ending January 31, 2019

### Hangars and Tie-downs:

	CAMARILLO			OXNARD		
	Inventory	Occupied	Available	Inventory	Occupied	Available
Private Hangars	170	170	0	55	55	0
County Hangars	125	121	4	69	68	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1</b>
Permanent tie-downs	96	55	41	7	2	5
FBO assigned tie-downs	67	Managed by FBO		25	Managed by FBO	
Visitor tie-down	35	N/A		7	N/A	
<b>Total</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>N/A</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>N/A</b>	

### Other:

	CAMARILLO	OXNARD
Citations Issued	0	6
Current year number of aircraft operations – for month	11,371	5,337
Last year number of aircraft operations – for month	10,740	5,979
Cards issued to transient overnight aircraft	20	3
Noise/nuisance complaints	0	2
Other aircraft ** (est.)	120	15
Hangar waiting list	152	19

\*\* Includes approximate number of aircraft occupying space in both large and small hangars by agreement with lessee or license

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**MONTHLY NOISE COMPLAINT SUMMARY  
CAMARILLO AIRPORT**

<b>Date/Time &amp; weather of complaint(s)</b>	<b>Type of complaint</b>	<b>Mode of flight</b>	<b>Type of aircraft</b>	<b>Location of complaint</b>	<b>Number of calls regarding this aircraft (this month)</b>	<b>Number of calls from this person (this month)</b>	<b>Pilot contacted</b>	<b>Complainant contacted</b>
NONE								

\* Unable to identify aircraft

\*\* Pilot aware of noise procedures and/or directed by ATC for separation

\*\*\* A normal approach or pattern was observed by Operations and/or ATC approved – Pilot not contacted

\*\*\*\* Complaint not related to noise

N/R Not Required (Complainant does not wish to be called back)

Mode of Flight – “T” Takeoff, “L” Landing, “M” Missed approach, “A” Multiple Approaches, “T & G” Touch and Go’s (pattern), “O” Other

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**MONTHLY NOISE COMPLAINT SUMMARY  
OXNARD AIRPORT**

<b>Date/Time &amp; weather of complaint(s)</b>	<b>Type of complaint</b>	<b>Mode of flight</b>	<b>Type of aircraft</b>	<b>Location of complaint</b>	<b>Number of calls regarding this aircraft (this month)</b>	<b>Number of calls from this person (this month)</b>	<b>Pilot contacted</b>	<b>Complainant contacted</b>
1/4 4:00pm Clear, Calm	Low Flying	T&G	Cessna	5500 Block West 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, Oxnard, CA	1	2	***	N/R
1/28 3:03pm Clear, Calm	Noise	T&G	Cessna	5500 Block West 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, Oxnard, CA	1	2	***	N/R

\* Unable to identify aircraft

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**AIRPORT TENANT  
PROJECT STATUS  
February 21, 2019**

**CAMARILLO**

- Airport Properties Limited (APL) Hangar Development. Hangar Row H building permit issued, construction underway. Completion expected mid-2019.

**OXNARD**

- Goldenwest landside parking lot and airside ramp seal project due to begin shortly (pending weather).

**OTHER**

- None

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**COUNTY OF VENTURA  
DEPARTMENT OF AIRPORTS  
NON GRANT PROJECTS**

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Sup. Dist.	Project Name Spec. Number	Estimate Low Bid	CCO's Claims	Design Engr. Contractor	Scheduled or Actual Dates				% Compl Design / Const.	Remarks
					Bid Date	Contract Award	Const Start	Const Comp		
5	CMA Storage Yard Improvements	\$210,000 \$140,393		DOA Various	Various	Various	1/13/17	3/30/19	100 95	Landscaping work nearly complete. Final sign-off by 3/30/19.
5	CMA West Area Hangar Improvements	175,001 198,861		Lucci & Assoc. Oilfield Electric	5/8/18	6/19/18	9/25/18	1/31/19	100 98	Work nearly complete. Minor work remains in one final hangar; work to be completed soon.
3	OXR Fence Stabilization	100,000		County PWA	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	80	Alternatives study draft report under review.

Note: Shaded boxes indicate changes from previous month  
 CMA – Camarillo Airport  
 OXR – Oxnard Airport  
 TBD – To be determined  
 CCO – Contract Change Orders  
 CUE – Camarillo Utility Enterprise

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**COUNTY OF VENTURA  
DEPARTMENT OF AIRPORTS  
FAA GRANT PROJECTS**

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Sup. Dist.	Project Name Spec. Number	Estimate Low Bid	CCO's Claims	Design Engr. Contractor	Scheduled or Actual Dates				% Compl Design / Const.	Remarks
					Bid Date	Contract Award	Const Start	Const Comp		
5	NE Hangar Development, Phase 1	\$7,126,202 7,950,236		Mead & Hunt Toro Enterprises	8/15/17	10/17/17	TBD	TBD	100%	Building and Safety 2 <sup>nd</sup> Project plan check comments received 2/21/19. Resubmission expected soon on minor comment. Waiting on Grading comments. Construction start dependent upon permit issuance.
3	OXR Airport Layout Plan Update	\$246,176		Coffman Assoc.	N/A	10/17/17	N/A	6/30/19	100% 65%	Work underway. Estimated to be about a 15-18 month process.

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# AVIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

## 2019

### ROTATION LIST

MEETING	MEMBER
JANUARY	STEVE WEISS
FEBRUARY	JAMES FLICKINGER
MARCH	HARVEY PASKOWITZ
APRIL	GARY JACOBS
MAY	ADRIANA VAN DER GRAAF
JUNE	BOBBY WILLIAMS
JULY	MAGGIE BIRD
AUGUST	BRUCE HAMOUS
SEPTEMBER	NANETTE METZ
OCTOBER	ROBERT TRIMBORN
NOVEMBER	STEVE WEISS
DECEMBER	JAMES FLICKINGER

IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND ON YOUR APPOINTED MEETING DATE, PLEASE ARRANGE WITH ANOTHER MEMBER TO SUBSTITUTE FOR YOU.

THANK YOU!

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**DEPARTMENT OF AIRPORTS  
2019 MEETING SCHEDULES**

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<b>AVIATION ADVISORY COMMISSION</b>	<b>CAMARILLO &amp; OXNARD AUTHORITIES</b>
January 7	January 10
February 4	February 14
March 4	March 14
April 1	April 11
May 6	May 9
June 3	June 13
July 1	July 11
August 5	August 8
September 9 (Due to Holiday)	September 12
October 7	October 10
November 4	November 14
December 2	December 12

The Aviation Advisory Commission meets on the first Monday of the month (exceptions are noted above in yellow highlight) at 7:00 p.m. in the Camarillo City Council Chambers, 601 Carmen Drive, Camarillo.

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January 24, 2019

Coffman Associates, Inc.  
Mr. Jim Harris  
4835 E. Cactus Road, Ste. 235  
Scottsdale, AZ 85254

**Subject: Notice to Proceed  
Camarillo Airport – Airfield Geometry Study and Airfield Drainage Study for  
Runway 8-26 and Taxiway Connectors  
AEA No. 18-12**

Dear Mr. Harris:

This letter is your Notice to Proceed. Exhibit B of the enclosed executed Contract indicates the schedule for completion of the work.

The undersigned has been assigned as Project Manager. You are advised to contact me on all matters pertaining to this project.

All billings should be sent to:

Department of Airports  
555 Airport Way, Suite B  
Camarillo, California 93010  
Attn: Erin Powers

All invoices to be paid against this contract must reference the AEA Number shown above. All Services under the Contract are based on the Not to Exceed amount of \$147,300.00 for work completed under EXHIBIT A. Invoices for work must include personnel time records along with backup for any reimbursable charges being claimed.

Sincerely,



Erin Powers  
Project Administrator

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January 24, 2019

Venco Western, Inc.  
2400 Eastman Avenue  
Oxnard, CA 93030

**Subject: Notice to Proceed for  
Camarillo Airport –DOA STORAGE YARD IRRIGATION AND  
LANDSCAPE  
Specification No.: DOA 19-01 (N)  
Project No.: CMA-207C  
City of Camarillo: IPD-402**

Dear Madam:

This is your Notice to Proceed as provided in the Contract Documents (executed copy attached). The agreed Contract starting date is January 29, 2019. Paragraph 4 of the Contract establishes Fifteen (15) Working Days as the time limit for completion of all work for Line Items 1-3.

Before the Engineer determines that any day will be designated as a non-working day because of your inability to obtain materials, equipment or labor (Specification sections 6-6 and 6-7), you will be required to furnish proof to support such determination. To obtain extensions of time due to delays (Specification sections 5-5 and 6-6), you must request them in writing.

In accordance with subsection 9-3.2 of the Specifications, the last Friday of each month has been established as the closure date of making progress payments.

This Contract will be administered by the Department of Airports. Personnel pertinent to contract administration are:

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January 24, 2019

DOA 19-01 (N)

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Jorge Rubio, Acting Director of Airports  
Erin Powers, Project Administrator  
Tom Rooney, Engineering Tech

All correspondence, submittals and other contacts pertaining to this project should be directed to the Project Administrator except when a request for review is made pursuant to subsection 6-12.2, in which case correspondence shall be addressed to the party whose review is requested.

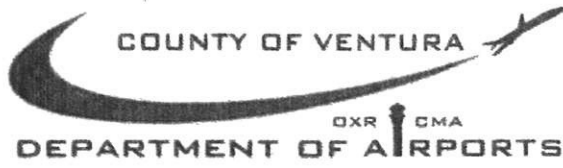
Sincerely,

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Erin Powers  
Project Administrator

c: Jorge Rubio, Acting Director of Airports w/o attachments  
Contract File  
DOA Accounting Department

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January 31, 2019

*Via Email*

Mr. Joe Vacca, Director  
Department of Community Development  
City of Camarillo  
601 Carmen Drive  
Camarillo, CA 93011-0248

**Subject: Capital Improvement Program for Camarillo Airport**

Dear Mr. Vacca:

Attached, please find the Camarillo Airport Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for federal fiscal years 2019 through 2023. The Federal Aviation Administration and the State Department of Transportation require that the Department of Airports submit a five (5) year capital improvement program this time every year. This program ensures that the national air transportation system is maintained and that local County planning efforts consider the airports' needs. Please note that the attached CIP provides planning years beyond the five-year requirement to provide the FAA with additional information to help them understand future capital improvement needs at Camarillo Airport.

The CIP includes only those airport projects that are eligible for state and federal grants. Other airport capital projects determined not to be eligible for funding by other government agencies will be financed by the airport enterprise fund and included in the annual airports' budget submittal for review and approval.

Please review and comment on the enclosed plan, which we anticipate taking forward for approval by the Board of Supervisors on March 19, 2019. We believe it to be consistent with the current airport master plan and the City of Camarillo's General plan, as required by the California Government Code (Section 65401).

Please contact our office with your comments by March 4, 2019. If you have any questions, I can be reached at 388-4205.

Regards,

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Erin Powers  
Projects Administrator

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January 31, 2019

*Via Email*

Ms. Kathleen Mallory  
Planning Division Manager  
City of Oxnard  
214 South C Street  
Oxnard, CA 93030

**Subject: Capital Improvement Program for Oxnard Airport**

Dear Ms. Mallory:

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Please contact our office with your comments by March 4, 2019. If you have any questions, I can be reached at 805-388-4205.

Regards,

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Erin Powers  
Projects Administrator

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January 31, 2019

*Via Email*

Ms. Brenda Perez, Planner  
Federal Aviation Administration  
Los Angeles Airport District Office

**Subject: 5 Year Airport Capital Improvements Plan (ACIP)**  
**CMA – NPIAS NO. 06-0339**  
**OXR – NPIAS NO. 06-0179**

Dear Ms. Perez:

In accordance with FAA submission deadlines for Airport ACIPs, please find attached the capital improvement plans for Camarillo and Oxnard Airports. Each plan attempts to balance Federal Aviation Administration grant funding availability with the recommended programming needs of the airport to maintain its facilities as recommended by the Airports' Pavement Management Plans. Should funding become available in any of the 'No Project' years identified in the ACIP, we would ask that you consider accelerating several of the projects identified in the outer years.

Please note that the CIP's include only those projects eligible for federal funding, and will be distributed to the entities listed below:

City of Oxnard  
City of Camarillo  
SCAG Clearing House  
CalTrans  
Camarillo and Oxnard Airport Authorities  
The Ventura County Board of Supervisors

If you have any questions or we have inadvertently omitted needed information, please don't hesitate to contact me at (805) 388-4205.

Sincerely,



ERIN POWERS  
Projects Administrator

c: Jorge Rubio, Acting Director of Airports  
Jeff Leonard, Mead & Hunt  
Jim Harris, Coffman Associates

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February 12, 2019

Mr. Graeme Flynn, Sr. Property Specialist  
SBA Communications Corporation  
510 Goetz Avenue  
Santa Ana, CA 92707

RE: Conceptual Approval of Sprint's Equipment Upgrades/Additions at SBA  
Communications' Telecommunications Facility at 2889 West 5<sup>th</sup> St., Oxnard, CA  
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Dear Mr. Flynn:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the revised subject plans. We appreciate your consideration in allowing our review and input in the planning stages.

Please accept this letter as **conceptual approval** for the revised project as submitted in the plan set provided to the Department of Airports (DOA) via email dated November 30, 2018. The DOA has provided comments on the revised set of plans related to the removal and replacement of three existing RRH antennas with 3 MIMO antennas on previously entitled antenna mounts on the lattice along with adding new cabinets in existing racks and appurtenant work. Please see the list of comments below.

**This letter provides approval in concept only**, and does not guarantee that the improvement may be built as proposed. Further review and approval of plans by the DOA and other permitting agencies, may be necessary before the DOA provides final project approval.

This letter will allow SBA to submit plans to the County of Ventura, Building and Safety offices and other approving agencies. **However, submission of a separate and final project review and approval letter from the DOA will be required prior to the issuance of any permits by them.**

Please note, as stated above, the **Ventura County Building and Safety Department** is the permitting authority for the requested installation, not the City of Oxnard.

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## Department of Airports Comments:

### General

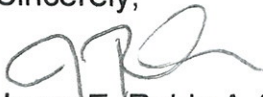
1. Per the Lease and Use Agreement dated October 10, 2000, paragraph 5, antenna signals may not interfere or conflict with FAA ATCT communications. Specifically, "Lessee shall operate the Lessee Facilities in a manner than will not cause interference to Lessor or to other lessees or licensees on the Airport... All operations by Lessee shall be in compliance with FCC requirements... Lessee understands and agrees that any operations by the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") and/or the Air Traffic Control Tower, the FCC, or other aviation uses, including but not limited to, navigation aids and devices and radio transmissions by aircraft and aviation users, or other uses related to air safety and/or security at the Oxnard Airport, shall supercede the provisions of this Agreement".

Therefore, SBA remains responsible to ensure any equipment is compatible, and if not, is required to remove such equipment.

2. Once the project has received final DOA approval, and a permit is issued, a set of drawings approved by the Ventura County Building and Safety Department must be provided to the DOA prior to construction;
3. A copy of the permits, both prior to construction and after being signed off are provided to the DOA.
4. A set of "as built" drawings is provided to the DOA upon project completion, and lastly,
5. During construction the security of the airport must not be compromised. Anyone driving on the airport must attend driver's training given by the Airport Operations Department.
6. Prior to construction, you will be required to file a form 7460 with the Federal Aviation Administration (Notice of Construction or Alteration) pursuant to the requirements of Federal Air Regulations Part 77 for the use of any cranes used during construction that would exceed the height of the existing antenna.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter, I can be contacted at (805) 388-4201.

Sincerely,



Jorge E. Rubio A.A.E.  
Acting Director of Airports

Cc: Erin Powers, Project Manager  
John Feldhans, Airport Operations Supervisor

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February 14, 2019

**Re: Camarillo Hangar Waitlist**

To Whom It May Concern:

The Department of Airports is conducting an audit on the Camarillo Airport hangar waitlist. We would request that you complete the bottom portion of this form and return to our office. You can return the form via email at [john.feldhans@ventura.org](mailto:john.feldhans@ventura.org), via facsimile at (805) 388-4366, or via mail ATTN: John Feldhans, Department of Airports, 555 Airport Way, Suite B, Camarillo, CA 93010.

- I would like to remain on the Camarillo Airport hangar waitlist (**please complete all fields**).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- I would like to be removed from the Camarillo Airport hangar waitlist and I would like my deposit returned to me at the address listed below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that if your name is on both the Camarillo Airport hangar waitlist and the Oxnard Airport hangar waitlist, removing yourself from the Camarillo Airport hangar waitlist will not affect your position on the Oxnard Airport hangar waitlist.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. I can be reached at (805) 388-4246 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



John Feldhans, C.M.  
Airport Operations Supervisor

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Photos by Lisa Corson, except balloons by Dan Harding

## L.A.'s Boutique Airports Are Pretty Fly for Little Guys

When it comes to aviation, the area has a lot more to offer than Burbank and LAX

By **Louise Farr** - February 7, 2019

Pilots have long called it the “\$100 hamburger run”: a hop from one small airport to another in search of jaw-dropping aerial views and a delicious lunch at flight’s end. With flying a dreaded event these days—lost baggage, cramped seating, delays—we often forget that it used to be fun. But it’s possible to recapture the pleasures of air travel without investing in your own vintage Piper (or \$2 million miniature Cirrus jet).

Nestled within an hour or so of Los Angeles, a number of time-warp general aviation airports are open to private pilots, corporate travelers, and celebrities looking to skip town in their sweats. But these tiny outposts also welcome aviation buffs or those simply looking for an afternoon of plane spotting, with or without the kids.

Through a quirk of state law, owners of rare or historically significant aircraft are exempt from paying property tax on them provided they display their planes at least 12 days a year and don’t fly them commercially. That means that many airports hold open-hangar days and fly-ins. Visitors can view ancient Cessnas or World War II bombers, and children might be allowed to climb into a cockpit, pilot willing, or take a test flight.

With today’s high fuel prices, that burger run is more likely to cost a flier \$200 than \$100, says Jorge Rubio, acting director of Camarillo’s gem of a pocket-size airport. For drivers, the cost is negligible. Whatever. Just buckle up and go.

### Long Beach

4100 Donald Douglas Drive • Long Beach

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LISA CORSON

It's not exactly far-flung, but founded in 1923, Long Beach Airport has retained a small-town aura and is too charming to pass up. Rows of impossibly tall palm trees lead the way to a main terminal building that is a treasure of Streamline Moderne architecture: Its exterior echoes the lines of a plane, with a nod to an ocean liner, complete with portholes. This would be good enough on its own. But inside, visitors find intricate tile work designed by California-born Grace Clements during the New Deal/Works Progress Administration era. Unveiled in 1941, then hidden for years beneath carpet, the colorful first-floor mosaics came to light again during routine maintenance in 2012. Seven mosaics in all, composed of 1.6 million tiles in 32 colors, depict what was then the City of Long Beach's seal as well as images referencing oil, shipping, and the ocean, while Clements's map of the Western Hemisphere suggests possible future routes for the commercial air industry.

Jet Blue, Delta, American, Southwest, and Hawaiian airlines might take off and land here these days, but there are no bridges or boarding ramps, so passengers embark from and disembark to the tarmac, adding to the old-timey travel atmosphere. The concourse, created from slatted ipe wood to resemble a boardwalk, takes travelers past more palms and drought-tolerant landscaping, with solar rays providing about 30 percent of the arrival-and-departure area's energy. It's the perfect way to arrive in California. It's also the perfect way to leave—with a twinge of regret.

### **BETTER-THAN-AIRPLANE FOOD**

One of the only-from-Long-Beach favorites situated in the terminal lounge's mini restaurant row is **George's Greek Cafe**, which offers succulent charcoal-grilled kabobs. More formal: At a table on the deck of the **Boathouse on the Bay** offshoot, nervous fliers can fortify themselves with a sangria or Bloody Mary, breakfast burritos, fish-and-chips, or mahi-mahi sandwiches.

### **DIVERGE FROM THE FLIGHT PLAN**

On the second floor of the main terminal, see a trove of aviation memorabilia, including a tribute to airport founder and barnstormer Earl S. Daugherty. He began flying in 1911, landing his biplane on the beach until, in 1920, he developed the flying field where Amelia Earhart would be

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inspired to become a pilot. Also on the second floor, a Streamline-style circular room, furnished with 1940s-era armchairs, doubles as a nursing station for mothers with babies.

## Santa Monica

3223 Donald Douglas Loop South • Santa Monica



LISA CORSON

Enjoy primo plane spotting while you can: As the result of the city reaching an agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration, Santa Monica Municipal Airport will close in 2028 to make way for an enormous park. Meanwhile, the administration building on Airport Avenue offers a deck with a great view of the runway, which is usually dotted with colorful Cirrus, Beechcraft, and Piper planes in the middle of taking off or landing.

Pioneer female aviators Florence Lowe “Pancho” Barnes, founder of the original movie stunt pilots’ union, and Amelia Earhart took off from Santa Monica in 1929 for the first Women’s Air Derby. Julia Roberts, Tom Cruise, Arnold Schwarzenegger, and Steven Spielberg have been said to keep jets here, and Harrison Ford famously crashed his World War II open-cockpit Ryan on a nearby golf course.

Though this airport lacks the rustic charm of some of the quainter outposts, it still pulls off a cozy community feel with its dog park, hangar artist studios, and an outdoor antique and collectibles market held the first and fourth Sundays of every month (where shoppers can snap up bargains in vintage clothing, Bakelite and other jewelry, furniture, and California paintings). Since the city

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plans to retain cultural and educational uses, these features might survive the airport's closing, as could the sustainable-landscape demonstration gardens, home to kumquat and western redbud trees, California wild roses, and lilacs. Barker Hangar, which hosts the People's Choice and MTV Movie awards, might even maintain its status as a key coastal space for glittery A-list events. Still, pilots worry that, with the airport gone, important firefighting and other emergency and humanitarian groups that keep their helicopters here will follow.

### **BETTER-THAN-AIRPLANE FOOD**

Try smoked-salmon Benedict for breakfast or an unusually tasty veggie burger with lashings of avocado and melted jack cheese for lunch at **Spitfire Grill**. Planes are barely visible from the coffee shop's two patios, but a bleacher viewing spot is a short walk across the street.

### **DIVERGE FROM THE FLIGHT PLAN**

The **Museum of Flying** includes rotating aircraft displays and the California Aviation Hall of Fame.

### **FOR LITTLE FLIERS**

Observation-deck birthday parties include airport stickers, balsa wood plane assembly, and an optional aircraft for young aviators to sit in (the best part? A friendly pilot is included).

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## **Camarillo**

*555 Airport Way • Camarillo*



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**W**ith its laid-back rural location (find it across from lush strawberry and celery fields) within a half-hour drive of the pricey enclaves of Malibu, Hidden Hills, Agoura Hills, Thousand Oaks, and Calabasas, it's no wonder there's a five-year waiting list for hangars at Camarillo Airport. Plans are underway to add approximately 100,000 feet of luxury hangar spaces with customized climate control, bathrooms, and sleeping areas for pilots, which

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should please the celebrities waiting in line. (Already spotted here on fly-ins and otherwise: the Kardashian clan, Pierce Brosnan, Harrison Ford, and John Travolta.)

Once a 1940s landing strip and later Oxnard Air Force Base, this airport by the Cold War era was home to Voodoo interceptor jets equipped with nuclear missiles ready to protect Los Angeles. The Air Force left in 1969, and now the facility, owned by Ventura County, has a gentler vibe despite its 160,000 annual takeoffs and landings and being ranked among the 30 busiest general aviation airports in the nation.

Known to pilots as one of the top sites for airport eats, Camarillo's bustling **Waypoint Cafe** is newly spiffed up with leather booths and a sleek counter courtesy of Jim Magglos, who with his wife, Linda, cofounded the fast-casual Mexican chain Baja Fresh. (Jim kept his planes at Camarillo, and after selling out to Wendy's, he combined his dual enthusiasms for flying and food.) Guests can hang at umbrella-covered tables overlooking the runway while noshing on huge Belgian waffles, omelets accompanied by fluffy biscuits, giant burgers, or the barbecued tri-tip lunch special. As parents drink mimosas on the terrace, kids can listen to real air ops at a child-size play control tower, then flap their arms and pretend to taxi down a miniature runway near a pergola-shaded viewing area.

#### **DIVERGE FROM THE FLIGHT PLAN**

April through July you can pop over to nearby Somis to handpick strawberries at **Underwood Family Farms**. Loading up at the fruit stand opposite the airport entrance is acceptable, too.

Charter a private jet through **Channel Islands Aviation** to visit Santa Rosa Island, and spend the day touring its Torrey Pine Forest and white-sand beaches.

Drop in to the **World War II Aviation Museum** to see fighters. Book in advance for rides in planes ranging from an Aircoupe and training aircraft to a rare P-51 Mustang bomber. Cost: \$80 and way, way up for 20 minutes or more, depending on the plane.

#### **FOR TINY FLIERS**

The popular **Wings Over Camarillo** air show, held in August, features a STEM pavilion where kids can build a Lego airport or create and maneuver their own flying objects.

## **Chino**

*7000 Merrill Avenue • Chino*

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FRANK MORMILLO

Like so many regional airports, Chino was a training facility for the Army Air Corps during World War II. Now it's the site for 900 private aircraft and corporate jets, with its Planes of Fame Air Museum sheltering the largest collection of military aircraft in the Western U.S., including Dutch Fokkers, German Messerschmitts, British Sopwiths, and more (some of them replicas). The museum is open daily for guided individual and group tours, and there's a gift shop offering collectibles like Rosie the Riveter socks and onesies, P-47 sweatshirts, and fur-lined flight helmets for tykes (and adults, if that's your thing).

What Chino is really known for, though, is its annual Planes of Fame air show (slated for May 4 and 5 this year). Aviation enthusiasts from around the world converge here because they can expect to see old warbirds take off on more than 50 flights a day. Many have made appearances on the television show *Baa Baa Black Sheep* and the miniseries *War and Remembrance*, and, more recently, in the films *Always*, *The Kid*, *Valkyries*, *Rocketeer*, *Pearl Harbor* and *Dunkirk*.

At this year's event, the star attraction will be a U.S. Air Force F-16 Viper fighter jet—officially named a Flying Falcon—which will perform loops and rolls to the delight of neck-craners below. World War II, Korean, and Vietnam warplanes will also be on hand for flight demonstrations. At the nearby Yanks Air Museum, you can see even more old-school jets, from restored rare and historically significant American World War II fighter planes to dive and torpedo bombers.

#### **BETTER-THAN-AIRPLANE FOOD**

**Flo's Airport Cafe** is a folksy joint famed for its biscuits and gravy—"real down home tasty goodness," the menu brags—and is possibly the only coffee shop left in California to offer cottage cheese and peaches as a lunch option. For heartier appetites: a 12-ounce New York steak, pork chops, or fried chicken.

#### **DIVERGE FROM THE FLIGHT PLAN**

Fasten your mountain bike to the car, and take a ride through **Chino Hills State Park** to get a glimpse of poppies, violet owl's clover, and lupines between February and September (March is peak season). No bike? No problem—there are miles of trails to hike.

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## WHILE YOU'RE THERE

Visit nearby Chino Hills and admire the sandstone exterior and Carrara marble interior of the vast [BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Hindu temple](#), an edifice that was hand carved in India and shipped in pieces to be assembled here. Attend one of the four daily worship services, then try the vegetarian fare at the casual café.

## Santa Paula

28 Wright Taxi Way • Santa Paula



DAN HARDING

Sitting off picturesque Highway 126, which whips from the Santa Clarita Valley through vistas of orange groves and tree nurseries, Santa Paula Airport is where the actor Steve McQueen once kept his planes. Tucked away next to the Santa Clara River with close-up mountain views, this airfield opened in 1930. Without a control tower, it holds heaps of nostalgia for the good old days of flying: Weathered hangars protecting the airport's 200-plus private planes are open to the public for the [Aviation Museum of Santa Paula's](#) Chain of Hangars Day, the first Sunday of every month. Expect to find multiple immaculately maintained aircraft, including a gleaming 1936 Ryan, a Bucker Jungmeister, and a Bucker Jungmann dating to 1939. Other hangars house personal memorabilia collections, including one with ultracool midcentury (and older) home radios. Views of planes taking off and landing at the busy little airport are excellent from some areas of the hangar walk, but a small tram is on site to ferry onlookers who don't feel like hoofing it.

## BETTER-THAN-AIRPLANE FOOD

There are also terrific views from the patio at the homey [Flight 126 Cafe](#), where inside booths are cushy, and the 14-ounce ham bone and eggs breakfast is billed as "so big it's served on 3 plates." Next door, where the [Hangar Bar and Grille's](#) picture windows overlook the runway, you can expect a prime rib dinner special Wednesdays, karaoke Thursdays, and ribeye steaks and music Saturdays.

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## FOR TINY FLIERS

**The Young Eagles** group offers kids their first plane ride for free (expect it to take about 20 minutes). Adults are in for something even more exciting: an hourlong **StarLite Balloon flight** that touches down for a champagne picnic in a lemon orchard. Head back for the airport's yearly Starlight Glow, a nighttime fundraiser for the **Aviation Museum of Santa Paula** that includes tethered hot-air balloon flights.

## WHILE YOU'RE THERE

On the way home, turn off Highway 126 onto Honey Lane to sample the goods in the tasting room at **Bennett's Honey Farm**. The solar-powered operation sells everything from creamed honey to royal jelly capsules; we suggest snagging a honeycomb candle and a jar of wildflower honey.

# Agua Dulce Airport

33638 Agua Dulce Canyon Road • Santa Clarita

There was no paved airstrip at the Agua Dulce airport in the 1940s, back when B25 bombers flew training missions out of here. Now the 150-acre privately-owned airfield nestled into the chaparral-covered Sierra Pelona Mountains is the definition of a country airport. No personal or business jets are allowed, and there's no control tower, night flying, or aerobatics. Hangars here are filled with personal planes, their pilots a mix of neighborhood people and flyers from as far away as Santa Monica; they park here, surrounded by upscale ranches, because they enjoy the rural atmosphere. A wind tee from the long-shuttered Grand Central Terminal Airport in Glendale sits on the grounds, and the airport's water dip is a major supply line for L.A. County firefighters battling wildfires.

Occasionally, while still accommodating resident pilots, the airpark shuts down for filming: The forthcoming Christian Bale-Matt Damon movie, *Ford v. Ferrari*, closed the place for three months last year. Usually, though, it's quieter, with a highlight being the Texas Barbecue Fly-ins the airport throws for Agua Dulceans, out-of-town pilots, and visitors. After chowing down on burgers and hot dogs at picnic tables on a tree-shaded lawn, civilians can hit the runway to chat with aviators about their planes. Check [l70airport.com](http://l70airport.com) for this year's cookout dates, expected to start in February. Otherwise, aircraft displays (minus the spread of smoked edibles) happen on the last Saturday of each month.

## BETTER-THAN-AIRPLANE FOOD

You can't beat a shrimp taco lunch and a lemon mint ice blended on the porch at the nearby **Sweet Water Bar & Grill**, which overlooks sleepy Agua Dulce Canyon Road. Browse the notices advertising fainting goats and bee swarm removal at the hardware store next door, then hang out into Saturday evening for a pasta dinner with a side of live country tunes or classic rock.

## WHILE YOU'RE THERE

Hike the sandstone outcroppings of **Vasquez Rocks Natural Area Park**, keeping an eye out for favorite *Westworld*, *Star Trek*, or *Gunsmoke* locations; head off on **Reyes Winery's** organized Saturday brunch and mountain hike; tackle the trails leading from **Copper Horse Riding Ranch** by horseback, then scout the place out for kids' birthday parties, which include pony rides, farm animals, gold panning, games, and a homemade horseshoe-shaped birthday cake.

## DIVERGE FROM THE FLIGHT PLAN

Rent a 5,000-square-foot house on the 100-acre grounds of the **Agua Dulce Winery**—a splurge

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at \$750 a night (there's a two-night minimum to boot)—where you can take a guided barrel tour, hike the Pacific Coast Trail, and gaze at the cosmos. The lauded French eatery **Le Chêne** is only a short drive away.

## Grand Central

1310 Air Way • Glendale



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**Y**ou won't spot any planes at this Glendale facility, but it's still worth a stop. In the 1920s the terminal was a draw for aviation pioneers, including Charles Lindbergh, Howard Hughes, and Amelia Earhart. Laura Ingalls landed here in 1930, making her the first woman to fly from New York to the West Coast. In 1933 Albert Forsythe and Charles Anderson were the first African-American pilots to make a cross-country flight.

The once-glamorous airport, the first in California to offer commercial flights, fell into disuse and was later turned into an office park. Abandoned and neglected for years, the terminal and surrounding land were eventually bought by Disney to develop for office use. Then, in 2013, the corporation began a renovation of the Spanish Revival and Art Deco building originally designed by Henry L. Gogerty, with the new work overseen by Frederick Fisher and Partners. Hanging light fixtures and sconces were re-created, as were tiles that are indistinguishable from their predecessors. Silver paint was reapplied to waterfall architectural details and scrolled ironwork. The project earned Disney a Los Angeles Conservancy Preservation Award in 2017.

The terminal has had quite the film career, appearing in Howard Hughes's *Hell's Angels*, James Cagney's *Lady Killer*, and *Pee-wee's Big Adventure*. It can be spotted, too, through airplane windows in *Bright Eyes*, as Shirley Temple sings "On the Good Ship Lollipop."

### **BETTER-THAN-AIRPLANE FOOD**

On a nondescript corner a couple of blocks away, **Little Ground cafe** serves pulled-pork

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Cubano sandwiches, avocado and egg salad tartines, almond lemon tea cake, and lattes and teas, all of which can be enjoyed on its small patio.

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