



PHOENIX DEER VALLEY AIRPORT

Function: Phoenix Deer Valley Airport Partnership  
Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2009 1:30-2:30 p.m.  
Location: Phoenix Deer Valley Airport Conference Room

Attendees: Toby Jones, FAA, Dee Grimm, Warbirds, Bob Wirth, Tenant, Ed Chauza, DVPA, Bill Blackwell, Tenant, Steve Flippin, Atlantic Aviation, Aaron Davis, Cutter Aviation, Pat Mornin, Siebran, Steve Prieser, Cutter, W.T. 'Doc' Brown, Phoenix, Police, Greg Mead, Stantec, Michael Rich, C.A.P, Arthur Rosen, A.O.P.A., Pete Hatchett, Westwind School, Gary Mascaro, Phoenix Deer Valley Airport.

Introductions were made.

Topics of discussion:

**1. Hangar Inspections**

- Hangar Inspections began on Wednesday, February 4, 2009.
- Completion of the 1<sup>st</sup> round of inspections February 13, 2009.
- Next year will spread it out a week longer. Too many to do.
- Gary passed out the information on the results of the first round of inspections.
- 500 passed, 257 failed. This is a 34% failure on the first round.
- Electrical or extension cords are an issue among nine other items. DVT Staff to get clarification
- Combustibles attached to walls is another big issue this year. A fire code issue.
- Fun facts: Hangar Row 41 only row with NO failures. Hangar Row 46 had 11 out of 14 hangars fail.
- Mary Schilling was unable to accompany staff on inspections this year.

**2. South Ramp Construction/Security Lighting/Signage**

- Northwest ramp area lights are working. Have a few issues with the bulbs.
- Phase II complete. Parking fingers are done. Pavement by C.A.P. is complete.
- New funding available for Deer Valley Airport. Based on the first Stimulus Bill will be receiving \$5.3 million dollars. Will be signing off on this grant the end of this week. Start the process on getting the contractor on board and figure out the areas that will be worked on. Don't have that information at this time, still very new. This is the largest construction grant the Deer Valley Airport has ever received at one time.

**3. Hill Removal**

- Anticipate start date the week of March 8, 2009. Duration 8 weeks.

- Will be night work. 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. There will be runway closures until the hill gets down to a certain point.
- Runway closures will be on the south runway only. Will be working with the Tower on this.
- Saving the aggregate and storing it on the northeast side of the airport and will utilize it for future projects.

#### **4. Stimulus Funding**

- The Phoenix Aviation Department along with several different organizations submitted their wish list of upcoming construction projects. We have several projects that we submitted through the Mayor's office, through the Arizona Airports Association, and through the Contractor's Association. It appears that they are really looking at funding those projects.
- The number one project is the Runway Safety Improvements. Another one is the Run-up Area project. Then there is the Taxiway A reconstruction project and finally the Airfield Signage project, which we are self-funding right now.
- Question by Ed Chauza. Are hangar fundable? Hangars are not fundable per AIP rules.

#### **5. Tower Update-Toby Jones, Tower Manager**

- Gave a brief history of his career with the FAA.
- Will be at DVT at least a year if not two years.
- New runway crossing procedures at Deer Valley started on February 18, 2009. It is a safety issue.
- Runway incursions have increased. They will be reported.
- When exiting a runway, NEVER enter another runway without clearance from ATC.
- Be aware and vigilant. Safety, Safety, Safety.

#### **6. Miscellaneous**

- New FAA Hot Spot Chart completed and was passed out. Requirement from the Runway Safety Action Team to point out areas of challenge at times.
- This is posted on the Deer Valley Airport website.

#### **7. RFP-Aviation Business & Properties (Robyn Sullivan)**

- Introduced Jim Peterson who will working with General Aviation issues, and Sandra Torres announced she is back with the business office.
- End User-AeroWrx, LLC-Closed and lease to be finalized after some common area issues are resolved.
- 20-Acre Land Development-Working through the lease now. Schedule a meeting to meet with them. Council approved.
- Cutter Aviation Land Lease-Council approved and are finalizing the lease agreement now. In progress.
- RS Warbirds Lease-In process of getting approval from the Phoenix Aviation Advisory Board on February 19, 2009. Will move forward to City Council. Art

Rosen and Ed Chauza asked about what permitted uses that are authorized in the facility. Robyn explained they are authorized several different aeronautical activities per the Minimum Standards such as Aircraft Storage and Aircraft Maintenance and Avionics.

#### **8. Minimum Standards-Robyn Sullivan**

- Notices went out and the packets are available at all three (3) airports.
- Approximately thirty went out.
- Implementation-Anticipate April/May 2009.
- Bill Blackwell asked when they pick up the packet will they will get sixty days to comply. Robyn said they would. There is a check list on what documents are needed and a time line in the packets.

#### **9. Round Table**

- Art Rosen discussed the seriousness of T.S.A.'s implementation of rules for General Aviation Airports.
- Bob Wirth asked if we had a number of tenants requested to be present at hangar Inspections. Gary said it was a small number and we were able to accommodate their requests. Bob also wanted to thank Gary for his mode of operation having projects planned, on the shelf and ready to go, benefits the airport for future funding.
- Ed Chauza asked about the update on the Airport Beacon. Gary explained that staff did an evaluation and it meets the criteria. Replaced the light bulb and cleaned the lenses out. Still looking into some other ideas. Ed also said a tenant asking if the tenants could get access to Gate #4A. The answer was that gate is not authorized for tenant access and is there is for Cutter Aviation to gain access to their fuel farm.  
He asked if we had bird problems out here. Gary said no. Toby Jones said he hasn't seen any bird strikes on the log since he started at DVT.
- Mike Rich from CAP stated that all the ramp constructions issues that impacted the CAP building had been addressed. Dee Grimm announced Gate 6 is having some challenges. Gary said the reader was recently damaged, but has been repaired.
- Gary thanked the DVPA for their assistance in working with their members on some outstanding items that have impacted the airport. The airport is having challenges with individuals illegally dumping unknown solvents, car oil filters and making a terrible mess at the environmental waste sites on the northeast side of the field. It is getting to where we might have to shut that particular site down. It is an amenity. Please help DVT staff keep an eye out on the one on the north side. About once a month we are having a problem with this issue.
- Bill Blackwell asked if there is any funding available for a high speed taxiway between A-5 and A-9 to help for aircraft landing. Gary said at this point we do not. The project is in our overall Master Plan, but other projects have higher priorities.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Deer Valley Airport Administration