Greetings! Summertime travelers are enjoying the perfect sunny weather at LGB as they return in nearly pre-pandemic numbers. We have no lazy days of summer around here. There's so much exciting news to share with you this month! —Cynthia Guidry

Director’s Message

Southwest Adds Nonstop Service to New Orleans

Here we come, New Orleans! Southwest Airlines recently announced it will launch weekly nonstop flights from LGB to Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) on a seasonal basis from January 8 through March 8, 2023, just in time for Mardi Gras season. Utilizing the airline’s Boeing 737 fleet, flights will depart LGB at 12:30 p.m. on Sundays and arrive at MSY at 6 p.m. The return flight departs MSY at 4:55 p.m. and arrives back at LGB at 7:15 p.m. In addition to the new Sunday flights, Southwest offers daily service throughout the year between Long Beach and New Orleans through the airline’s point-to-point network. Laissez les bon temps rouler – let the good times roll!
FAA Awards LGB More Than $10M for Improvements

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) selected LGB as one of only four airports in the state of California to receive funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Airport Terminal Program. The $10.6 million sum will go towards LGB’s Terminal Roadway Improvements project. The project is one of nine that comprise LGB’s ongoing Phase II Terminal Area Improvement Program to make strategic pre-security enhancements. Slated to begin construction in early 2023, the roadway improvements include realignment and repaving of the terminal loop (Donald Douglas Drive) to improve passenger flow and provide critical Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) enhancements. This $10.6 million is in addition to the $6.1 million in future entitlement BIL funding which was announced by the FAA in December 2021.

Ross Aviation Now Atlantic Aviation

The Fixed Base Operator (FBO) formerly known as Ross Aviation is now Atlantic Aviation – with the same great customer service and familiar team to help with private and general aviation needs at LGB. Atlantic Aviation is now one of the largest networks of FBOs in North America. For details about the Long Beach location at 3250 Airflite Way, visit atlanticaviation.com/location/LGB.
Airport Security Plan Complete
The Long Beach Safety and Security Division recently completed an updated version of the Airport Security Plan (ASP), approved by the Transportation Security Administration. The purpose of the ASP is to create a security standard for the Airport and assist in preventing and deterring constant threats that the aviation industry, and Long Beach Airport, face. The ASP makes Long Beach Airport safer for our flying public and our campus. We’re grateful to all our partners for their support in reaching this milestone.

Able ARTS Exhibit on Display
An exhibit showcasing talented local artists is on display, brightening the way for LGB travelers through a collaboration with Able ARTS Work. CORE 2021 contains 14 pieces in a variety of mediums curated by Able ARTS Work, a nonprofit that provides inclusive services for individuals with developmental disabilities, autism and all people through creative arts therapies and education. The artwork was printed and installed on large construction barriers near 4th Street Vine and will remain on display through December.
Phase II Construction Update

Summer travelers are enjoying the new Ticketing Lobby which is now entering its fourth month of operation. Soil removal is almost complete in the Plaza area where the old Checked Baggage Inspection System (CBIS) facility once stood, and underground electrical duct bank installation and storm drain work are moving forward. Grading activity started last month and the architectural concrete formwork in this area should be completed in August. Historic preservation of the terminal during its upcoming renovation is a top priority. As such, experts in historic preservation have joined our team to ensure the Preservation Protection Plan is incorporated into the project.
Construction of the new Baggage Claim facility continues to move forward. Significant work has been completed including exterior sheathing, insulation and lath installation. And dry wall placement, duct work for the exhaust fans and natural ventilation, plaster installation and fireproofing are underway in this area.

**Taxiway L Construction Update**

Once completed, the reconstruction of Taxiway L, which serves as the primary taxiway for all departing commercial aircraft, will improve traffic safety on the airfield. Last month, all work was completed in the Phase II area and Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) was placed in Phase I and V areas. Work continues to progress steadily in two of the five phase areas, Phase I and Phase V. In those areas, demolition of existing electrical lines, installation of duct banks and edge light cans, subgrade and subbase work for the shoulders and asphalt placement remain ongoing.
The project is comprised of five Phase areas (marked P1 through P5 in this image). PCC placement in Phase I area and subbase compaction is underway in Phase V area.
Asphalt paving in Phase I and V areas

Seen at the Scene

Wearing “Many Voices, One Spirit!” theme shirts, about 50 employees, volunteers and friends of Long Beach Airport walked with our float in the Long Beach Pride Parade last month.
These “beary” delicious cupcakes were spotted at a recent Airport employee bake sale to benefit Long Beach Animal Care Services. The sale raised more than $70 in donations to specifically help cover veterinary costs for shelter animals that need extra care and pets needing to be spayed or neutered. LGB also supported the inaugural Pet Adoption Bonanza and Craft Fair, which helped place 44 pets into homes, by donating LGB-branded hand sanitizers and a gift basket that included an Airport historical/perimeter tour.

Dun Dun, Dun Dun, Dun Dun … Some blimp-sized jaws recently landed in Long Beach to promote the Discovery Channel’s Shark Week! The A-170 shark blimp measures 178 feet and cruises at 35 knots – you might say, “we’re gonna need a bigger boat” to escape this monster!

Meet Our Los Alamitos High School Volunteers

Three Los Alamitos High School seniors have been welcoming travelers here at Long Beach Airport this summer. They’re part of our Public Affairs team’s new short-term volunteer program. Timothy wants to be a commercial airline pilot; he has flown with the Young Eagles; earned the Aviation Merit Badge through Boy Scouts of America; and served as president of their school’s Aviation Club. Joshua is planning to earn his private pilot’s license someday and wants to become an officer in the Navy. And Alexander is interested in a career in engineering. These volunteers receive community service hours and are assigned to pre-security customer experience duties in the Ticketing Lobby and at Baggage Claim areas. We appreciate their assistance and are glad they’ve taken an interest in learning more about aviation!
City Launches New Online Purchasing Portal

Long Beach Buys, the City’s new online purchasing platform and marketplace, offers a more efficient, equitable approach for local businesses to contract with the City of Long Beach. Business owners can easily view contracting opportunities, register as a vendor for free and submit proposals for current listings. The City purchases hundreds of millions of dollars in goods and services every year, ranging from vehicle parts and construction contracts to professional services. The City posts contract options both big and small, so there are opportunities for a variety of businesses.

Registered vendors in Long Beach Buys can submit proposals for large purchase opportunities, over $25,000, through a transparent and competitive proposal process. Registered businesses and organizations can also access and compete for small purchases (those under $25,000), where the City consults the registered vendor directory and approaches vendors directly for quotes.

Long Beach Buys is partly funded by the Long Beach Recovery Act, a plan to fund economic and public health initiatives for Long Beach residents, workers and businesses critically impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information about how local businesses and organizations can access Long Beach Buys, visit longbeach.gov/purchasing.

We want to do business with you!
Long Beach Buys
June Flight Activity Nears Pre-Pandemic Levels

Long Beach Airport passenger activity in June 2022 was significantly closer to pre-pandemic levels – just 4% shy of the same time period in 2019 - with LGB serving 306,937 passengers. Commercial airline passenger traffic increased 47.8% in June 2022 compared with the same time in 2021.

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Airport Director