

April 5, 2016—Special Notice to All VNY Users and Operators Regarding Runway Impacts, Beginning April 18, 2016

This is a follow up to the airport advisory we sent on March 17, 2016, and we are updating the VNY user community that the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) project is set to commence on April 11, 2016. This date represents when the MWD contractor expects to mobilize on the field to excavate the pit that will serve to accept the repair components for the water line that runs underneath VNY. This portion of the work is not expected to have any impacts on the airport's operational capability. As previously shared, beginning April 18, 2016, the placement of a crane at the excavation pit will be that aspect of the project which will cause operational impacts to our runway complex.

Both Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and the Van Nuys Airport Association (VNAA) continue to support a path to allow continued operation of the airport during nighttime hours. After collaborating with the VNAA, LAWA submitted a plan to the FAA for a shortened runway configuration that aims to eliminate closures and is acceptable to VNY operators. We have not yet received the FAA's determination, and LAWA must move ahead in preparation of the project's start date. If LAWA receives FAA's response and should it provide for a workable option to shorten the runway, we plan to move ahead as expeditiously as possible to maintain nighttime operational capability. If, however, we do not receive the FAA's response in time to prepare for the shortened runway configuration, we will enforce the nighttime closure (9 hours per night, exact times to be confirmed) of Runway 16R/34L until such time we receive the FAA determination and can complete any work needed to support the shortened runway in a safe manner.

The MWD project completion date remains the latter part of May 2016, and they are committed to completing the work as quickly and safely as possible.

We thank you in advance for your support and will continue to provide updates to all VNY stakeholders. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Flora Margheritis, Chief of Airport Operations, at (818) 442-6540, during normal business hours. As an alternative to nighttime runway closures, LAWA has identified and submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) a shortened runway configuration that aims to minimize closures and is that which is acceptable to VNY operators. We are awaiting FAA review and will keep you updated on our progress. In the event that our request for a shortened runway is not approved, the proposed nighttime closures of Runway 16R/34L will commence on or around April 18, 2016. The project is expected to be completed in late May 2016.

As we experienced with VNY's Runway 16R Rehabilitation Project, a process that combines advance planning with ongoing collaboration can dramatically reduce negative operational and economic impacts. We hope to achieve the same level of success with this pipeline replacement project. With a strong partnership in place, both LAWA and VNAA will ensure that project impacts are minimized to the greatest extent possible.

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