

## Airport Construction Update

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### Interim Skyport Connector Now Open

The new Skyport Connector now links the Airport's terminal roadway directly to Skyport Drive. Drivers should find the new road easier to navigate because it will cut off the long southern loop of the terminal road. You now can leave the Airport via Skyport to reach Highway 87 directly, and you can return to the terminals and parking by turning left, or exit the Airport south to Coleman Avenue and I-880.

Please drive carefully, and please slow down while on the Airport roads. As we continue to alter traffic patterns and parking during construction, you can expect some road congestion because of construction. We encourage all our travelers to add a little more time for getting around the Airport.

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### Northwest Airlines to be Relocated in Terminal C Next Week

Starting Monday morning, October 8, Northwest Airlines will be relocated to Gate C4, in the south end of Terminal C, after its 6:35 a.m. flight. This will add passenger traffic to the security checkpoint for that part of the terminal, but TSA is working with the Airport to manage the change.

Northwest's move to Gate C4 continues our realignment of aircraft "parking spots" at Terminal C so that we can consolidate operations in the reconfigured terminal. This is another step to prepare for the demolition of the north end of Terminal C in January that will clear the way for the start of construction on the new Terminal B.

### Consolidation of Terminal C Security Checkpoints Scheduled in November

A more efficient consolidated security checkpoint is currently scheduled to open in Terminal C next month. This will provide better customer service and reduce waiting for passengers, especially at peak times. By bringing three separate checkpoints together in Terminal C, security staff will have more flexibility screening passengers when traffic is greatest.

In addition, most food and beverage services and more restrooms now will be post-security, which will make it easier for travelers before boarding their flights. Coffee and snacks will be available pre-security near the baggage claim area.

After the consolidation, we will close off the north end of Terminal C to prepare it for demolition in January 2008 and clear the site for the construction of the new Terminal B.

### Reduction of Terminal C Short-term Parking Scheduled in November

We're also about to start construction on new roadways in front of Terminal C. This will require us to work in the Terminal C short-term parking area, and thus reduce the number of parking spaces in the west side (terminal side) of the parking lot. There will still be plenty of short-term parking available in the Terminal A garage, and it's very easy to catch a blue shuttle bus to get to Terminal C that runs every few minutes between the terminals.

### Relocation of Short-Term Parking Lot in Late November

After Thanksgiving, we are currently scheduled to open a temporary hourly parking lot on the south side of the Terminal C baggage claim building, and we will close the current lot in front of the terminal altogether.

The new temporary lot will be used mostly by drivers who park on hourly basis, generally those who are picking up and dropping off passengers. Daily parkers will be encouraged to use the Terminal A garage, and the long-term lot has plenty of room on the west side of the Airport. This parking lot change will be necessary for work to begin on our new 3350-space consolidated rental car and public parking garage that will go up where the surface lot now is.

### Construction Schedules Are Subject to Change

Because the \$1.3 billion project to replace and upgrade the SJC terminal area is complex and moving very fast, our construction schedules are subject to continuing revision. We will keep updating the public and our customers about the project details as they occur, but please bear with us as we adjust schedules for the project over the next three years. We appreciate your patience, and we thank you for flying San José while we build The New Airport.

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