

## Work Begins On Field Maintenance Complex

Airfield snow removal crews at Kansas City International Airport will soon be better equipped to handle almost anything Mother Nature cares to throw their way. Construction has begun for a new sand and de-ice storage facility for the Field Maintenance division at KCI Airport. Once completed, the facility will hold enough materials and equipment to combat most severe Midwest winter weather typically received at the airport.

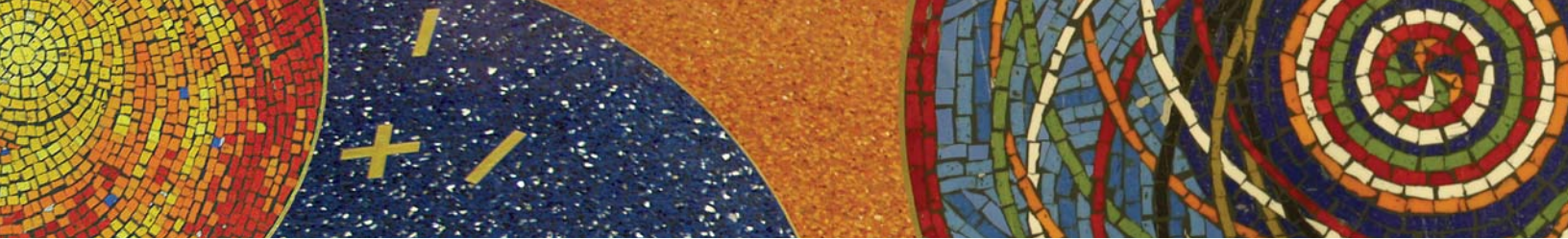


Ice storms and freezing pavement conditions have become more prevalent now than in previous years, and special, non-corrosive de-icing materials are now used to prevent precipitation from bonding to the runways' pavement. The new facility will be able to hold 120,000 gallons of liquid de-icing fluid, exceeding the old facility's capacity by almost thirty percent. It will also accommodate 1,000 tons of "airfield category" sand, which is used to maintain traction on aircraft movement areas and service roads, compared to the 200 tons currently held. The current facility has no capacity for solid, granular de-icer. The new building will allow space for 200 tons of the solid de-icer. It is unique in that it can be used in extremely frigid temperatures. The granules chemically react to available moisture and bore through compacted snow and ice in order to break the bond to the pavement. Ice and hard-packed snow loosened from the pavement is then plowed and brushed from the surfaces by the division's fleet of specialized, airfield-specific snow removal trucks.



Also new will be having a year's supply of snow and ice removal materials stored all at once. The materials would be available to be used at a moment's notice when rain all too frequently changes over to ice. Furthermore, the facility would accommodate storage of the recently upgraded fleet of airfield chemical applicator trucks. Trucks will be kept filled and stored in a location central to the facility's loading station and be ready to go throughout the winter season. All of this also translates into faster snow and ice removal time, which means fewer flight delays for travelers.

This new facility is projected to be completed early next year and is in the first phase of a three phase plan. The second phase will begin next spring and will include work on an equipment storage building. The third and final phase will be interior improvements to the existing Field Maintenance building.



## New Bus Maintenance Facility Under Construction

The opening of KCI's new Rental Car Facility has prompted the beginning of a new project. Last May, the RCF consolidated all rental car companies into one area for convenience of KCI travelers. This, in turn, consolidated their transportation operations into one Rental Car Shuttle Bus system. Now, a new bus maintenance facility is being constructed between Brasilia and Mexico City avenues, not far from the RCF. Once completed, it will be a four-part building. An administration area, a maintenance bay, a bus wash and a fuel island will all be included in this \$6 million project on 16,425 square feet of land. In addition, there will be three driveways through which to enter, 26 bus parking spaces and an employee lot.

First Transit provides the drivers and maintenance upkeep for the new bus system. Currently, the company's operation is spread out throughout airport property. Administration is in the Rental Car Facility, the buses are being held in an old rental car lot and repairs are done in the fleet maintenance facility at the former fire station.

The 24 new, clean-diesel buses are 40 feet long and disabled-accessible with chair lifts. The RCF buses are a dedicated bus service, which means that if a passenger is departing from Terminal A, they will ride on the Terminal A bus; if a passenger is departing from Terminal B, they will ride on the Terminal B bus, and so forth. Each terminal has three bus stops. The facility is scheduled to be completed the end of 2007.



## Semi-Annual Recycling Report Shows Green Results

Kansas City International Airport has exceeded last year's semi-annual count for picking up recyclable materials. From January through May, the airport has collected over 75 tons of recyclables. For the same period in 2006, 71 tons of recyclable materials were collected. Of that total, more than 35 tons came from the efforts made by Southwest, United, Delta and American airlines. Those airlines collected in-flight magazines, newspaper, and office paper within their leased office areas. While keeping tons of materials from landfills, each individual airline receives rebates for its recyclables while the Kansas City Aviation Department benefits from a reduction in trash removal costs.

The recycling program began in 2005 when recycling bins were placed along terminal corridors and in surrounding office buildings. Materials collected at the airport include newspapers, office paper, aluminum cans, plastic bottles and cardboard.



## Summertime Brings New Developments in Air Service

Between August 2006 and August 2007, KCI has added 16 new routes, which is more than any other airport in the United States. New destinations included New Orleans, Los Angeles, Jacksonville, Colorado Springs and Cabo San Lucas. "The Aviation Department has taken a proactive approach to air service development in the last year and a half and the return on those efforts has been remarkable," said Director of Aviation Mark VanLoh. "The ongoing growth in business and leisure traffic to Kansas City and the surrounding region have bolstered traffic on routes that were previously unattainable."

Southwest Airlines announced a new initiative to establish additional revenue with a target of more than \$1 billion. The airline plans to slow its fourth quarter in 2007 to optimize its flight schedule. This plan will eliminate 39 existing roundtrip flights from its current flight schedule, but added 46 new roundtrip flights in key growth market cities. Kansas City will benefit from the changes by having an additional flight added in November from Kansas City to Chicago Midway, establishing a total of 12 daily departures.

Midwest Airlines will begin two daily nonstop flights between KCI and Austin, Texas mid-September.

## Second Open House Held for Master Plan Input

The second of a series of public meetings for the combined studies was held on July 19, 2007. Attendees viewed project displays, talked directly with project team members, and received information on study progress, planning alternatives, and future meetings.

"Public input is very key to determining optimal plans which will balance needs and interests of KCI and the surrounding area," said Mark VanLoh, Director of Aviation. "The best plan will be efficient and economical and have enough flexibility to respond to changes and future dynamics."

The Airport Master Plan will examine existing and future facility requirements at KCI, and provide a vision of growth and development of the airport over the next 20 years. The Noise Compatibility Study will describe existing noise conditions and make an assessment of noise mitigation alternatives. The KCI Area Plan will explore land use and growth issues in the KCI area, and provide a plan that attempts to balance needs of the airport, residents, and business communities.

This is the first time anywhere that an Airport Master Plan and Noise Compatibility Study have been combined with a general land use plan for the surrounding area. For general information and upcoming meeting dates, check the project website [www.flykci.com/kcistudies](http://www.flykci.com/kcistudies).

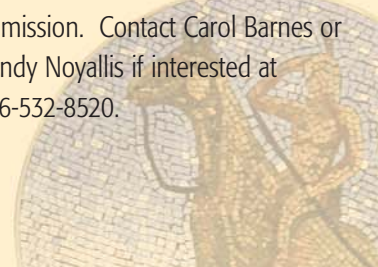
## MYAA Hosts Air Show at Downtown Airport

The Charles B. Wheeler Downtown Airport is this year's site for the KC Aviation Expo and Airshow, presented by Mid-America Youth Aviation Association.

The event, to be held August 25-26, will include the U.S. Army Golden Knights, the Army's award-winning competitive parachuting team, and the F-15 Strike Eagle TAC Demo Team, the fighter jet performance team that maneuvers F-15's at low altitudes. The show will also feature aerobatics pilot Jill "Raggz" Long flying her Pitts S2B in a hair-raising performance, the U.S. Air Force's B2 stealth-bomber and many, many more.

General admission tickets will be available in advance for \$12 online at [www.kcairshow.com](http://www.kcairshow.com) and \$15 at the gate. Ages 12 and under get in free. Tickets are also available at Briarcliff Village Green Acres store or at the Best of Kansas City stores.

MYAA's airshow has been in existence for 13 years with an average total attendance of 50,000. Volunteers are needed to work the event and will receive free airshow admission. Contact Carol Barnes or Sandy Noyallis if interested at 816-532-8520.



## TSA Relaxes Lighter Rule

The Transportation Security Administration recently announced that common lighters are now allowed in carry-on luggage. Torch lighters are still banned in carry-ons. For more information, visit [www.tsa.gov](http://www.tsa.gov).

## Department Promotes Two Employees

The Kansas City Aviation Department has promoted two employees; Eric Clevenger to Director of Finance and David Long to Deputy Director of Commercial Development.

Clevenger, a 8-year veteran to the Aviation Department, will be responsible for all financial practices within the Aviation Department, including accounting and procurement activities, financial reporting, and debt management for all airport financing and budget administration.

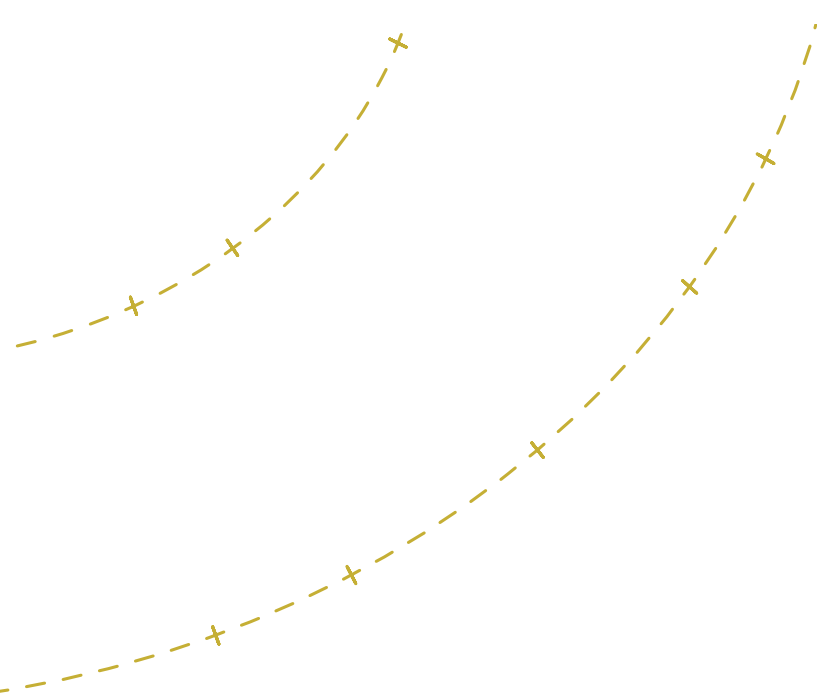
Long's new responsibilities will include parking into properties and commercial development, which accumulates 47 percent of all revenue generated by the airport. Long's other duties involve negotiating, executing and administrating over 200 commercial leases, concessions and other agreements. Long has been with the department since 1995.

## Aviation Department Arrivals

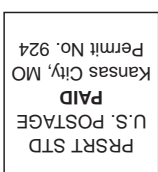
The Kansas City Aviation Department salutes these new, transferred and promoted employees...

Theresa Bealmear - Administrative Assistant II, Fleet Maintenance  
Colby Biswell - Maintenance Repairer, Facilities-Structural  
Richard Booker - Bus Operator, Parking and Bus Service  
David Bowen - Aviation Manager III, Airport Management  
Stella Costa - Bus Operator, Parking and Bus Service  
Deril Gray - Engineering Technician Lead, Planning and Development  
Ronald Greathouse - Security Officer, Airport Police  
James Johnson - Bus Operator, Parking and Bus Service  
Charles Jones - Airport Police Sergeant, Airport Police  
John Kilgore - Senior Fleet Maintenance Technician, Fleet Maintenance  
Collin Love - Airport Police Officer, Airport Police  
Gary McCrea - Airport Police Sergeant, Airport Police  
Paul Ortiz - Garage Supervisor, Fleet Maintenance  
Karla Sanders - Administrative Assistant, Personnel  
Karen Taylor - Bus Operator, Parking and Bus Service  
Lyndon Taylor - Airport Police Officer, Airport Police  
Clarence Worsham Jr. - Bus Operator, Parking and Bus Service

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