

## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

### FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

#### SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCH NO. 2017011053 – SDCRAA # EIR-18-01

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (SDCRAA or Authority), as the Lead Agency, has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the San Diego International Airport Development Plan (the proposed project). The proposed project would result in the following significant and unavoidable impacts during construction and/or operation of the project: air quality, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, cultural resources, hazards and hazardous materials, land use and planning, noise, and traffic and circulation.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** San Diego International Airport (SDIA or Airport) is located in the northwest portion of the downtown area within the City of San Diego. The Airport is generally bounded by North Harbor Drive and San Diego Bay to the south, the Navy Boat Channel and Liberty Station mixed-use development to the west, the Marine Corps Recruit Depot to the north, and Pacific Highway and Interstate 5 to the east.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The SDCRAA is proposing the next master planning phase for SDIA, in accordance with a new Airport Development Plan (ADP). The ADP provides a development framework to implement improvements that will enable SDCRAA to accommodate future demand for air travel anticipated to occur at SDIA with more modern, efficient, and comfortable facilities. The primary elements of the ADP include: (1) replacement of Terminal 1 with a new terminal of up to 30 gates; (2) development of circulation and roadway improvements to enhance mobility to the existing and proposed terminals from North Harbor Drive, including a new multi-use pedestrian and bicycle pathway and airport entry road for inbound vehicle traffic; (3) modifications to Terminal 2, including the addition of a new west concourse and replacement of Terminal 2 East with a linear concourse connector between Terminal 2 West and the new Terminal 1; (4) airfield taxiway improvements and reconfigured remain overnight (RON) aircraft parking areas; (5) a potential commercial development opportunity to complement the terminal function of the replacement Terminal 1 facility; (6) development of a five-story parking structure adjacent to the new Terminal 1; and, (7) other related improvements, such as replacement of SDCRAA's administrative offices that would be displaced by the new Terminal 1, and various infrastructure improvements.

**ALTERNATIVES:** The FEIR includes the evaluation of four alternatives to the proposed project, including: Alternative 1-No Project; Alternative 2-Reduced Scale of Development; Alternative 3-Revised Implementation Phasing; and, Alternative 4-T1 Replacement and Transportation Improvements. Alternative 4 is feasible, meets all the project objectives, and would have reduced

environmental impacts compared to the proposed project. SDCRAA staff is recommending Alternative 4 over the proposed project. The main differences between Alternative 4 and the proposed project, which is described above, are summarized as follows:

- Reduction in Size, Scope, and Construction Period of ADP Improvements
  - Only the replacement of the existing Terminal 1 would occur; no addition to Terminal 2 West and no replacement of Terminal 2 East.
  - No 400,000 square foot commercial development opportunity area.
  - Completion of construction by 2026, instead of 2035.
- Transit Service Improvements
  - Provide for near-term transit service improvements at SDIA, including an airport shuttle service to and from the Old Town Transit Center, and measures to encourage increased use of public transit to/from the Airport.
  - Designate an area mid-way between the new (replacement) Terminal 1 and the existing Terminal 2 for a potential future transit station that would connect SDIA directly to off-airport transit system improvements.
- Roadway System Improvements
  - Retain the proposed project's new on-airport three-lane access road and reserve right-of-way for a future three-lane roadway for outbound traffic.
- Reduced Size Terminal 1 Parking Structure
- Reduced Height Airport Administrative Offices Building

**PUBLIC REVIEW:** The FEIR is available for general public review on the website [www.san.org](http://www.san.org) (under link to Airport Projects/Environmental Affairs/CEQA & NEPA) or [www.san.org/plan](http://www.san.org/plan), and at the Airport Authority Administration Building (former Commuter Terminal) at San Diego International Airport, 3225 North Harbor Drive, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, San Diego, CA 92101, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Please contact Ted Anasis, Manager, Airport Planning, at (619) 400-2478, if you have any questions.