Buchanan Field Airport has served an important niche in the general and business aviation markets for the past 50 years. Over 500 planes are based at the airport and its four runways support about 129,000 take-offs and landings a year. As Contra Costa County continues to grow, the Airport is being presented with increasing operational and facility demands.

PLANNING STUDY STARTS

To meet these demands, Contra Costa County will undertake a comprehensive Master Planning process to guide the Airport's development through the next 20 years.

The comprehensive Master Planning process is expected to take 24 to 30 months and includes an Airport Master Plan, a Strategic Business and Implementation Plan, and a Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study.

The Master Plan process will consider a variety of aviation and development possibilities to determine opportunities and constraints that will be presented in the updated Master Plan. The FAR Part 150 study will evaluate noise impacts associated with airport operations and will outline methods to lessen or mitigate any associated impacts. The Business Plan will prioritize projects, identify funding sources, and recommend and prioritize property development potential to assist the County in maximizing revenue generating opportunities for the Airport.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Community involvement is crucial to the successful development of a long-term airport management and development plan. The County has designed the Buchanan Field Master Planning Process to provide numerous opportunities for meaningful public involvement over the life of the project. These include a technical advisory committee, a steering committee, regular public meetings and open houses, and a project website.

The public is encouraged to attend meetings and contribute thoughts and ideas to help guide the long-term operation of the Buchanan Field Airport. The public will be provided the content, or element to be discussed, for each meeting.

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The Master Planning Process will define what actions should be taken to maximize the area's aviation needs in a manner that is compatible with the surrounding area and acceptable to the community.



COMMUNITY MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2005, 7:30 PM

CONCORD HOTEL (Soon To Be The Crowne Plaza)
45 JOHN GLEN DRIVE
WALNUT ROOM
CONCORD, CALIFORNIA

Hosted by: The Aviation Advisory Committee

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