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**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

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PROPOSED RUNWAY 6L-24R AND RUNWAY 6R-24L RUNWAY  
SAFETY AREA (RSA) AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

(RUNWAY SAFETY AREA IMPROVEMENTS OF RUNWAY 6L-24R AND RUNWAY 6R-24L AND  
PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION OF PORTIONS OF RUNWAY 6L-24R AND TAXIWAY AA)

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## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

**WHAT'S IN THIS DOCUMENT?** This document contains a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) proposed Runway 6L-24R and Runway 6R-24L Runway Safety Areas (RSA) and Associated Improvements Project (Proposed Action), which includes improvements to the RSAs of Runway 6L-24R and Runway 6R-24L and pavement reconstruction of the eastern portion of Runway 6L-24R and Taxiway AA at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX). This document discloses the analysis and findings of the potential impacts associated with the City of Los Angeles proposal, the No Action Alternative, and other reasonable alternatives.

**BACKGROUND.** *The Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006* (Public Law [P.L.] 109-115), requires completion of Runway Safety Area improvements by airports in the United States that hold a certificate issued by the FAA, under Title 49 of the *United States Code*, Section 44706, to meet FAA airport design standards for RSA required by Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 139 by December 31, 2015. The City of Los Angeles, as owner and operator of Los Angeles International Airport, has developed its Proposed Action to meet the requirements of P.L. 109-115 for Runway 6L-24R and has proposed improvements that can be implemented by the December 31, 2015 deadline for Runway 6R-24L.

**WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?** Read this Draft EA and provide comments, if applicable. Copies of this document are available for review at libraries in Los Angeles and other communities around LAX; the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) office in Hawthorne, California; and the LAWA administrative offices. Addresses of these and other locations where the Draft EA is available for review are provided in Chapter 5 of this document. If you have relevant information you believe has **not** been considered in this Draft EA, or if you have comments about the conclusions, you may submit your written comments by letter to the following address:

Los Angeles World Airports  
Land Use and Entitlement Section  
Attention: Evelyn Quintanilla, Chief of Airport Planning I  
1 World Way, Room 218  
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Comments are due no later than 5:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time on June 16, 2014. Please allow sufficient time for mailing. LAWA must **receive** your comments by the deadline, not simply postmarked by that date.

**WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THIS?** The City of Los Angeles will prepare written responses to comments received on the adequacy of the information presented in this Draft EA and prepare a Final EA for transmittal to the FAA for the agency's review and acceptance. Following review of the Final EA, the FAA will either issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or decide to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Before including your name, address and telephone number, email or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information - may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

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