

Notice of Availability of Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for Rehabilitation of Runway 8R-26L and Associated Improvements at Ontario International Airport

Project Description: The Ontario International Airport Authority (OIAA), as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the proposed Rehabilitation of Runway 8R-26L and Associated Improvements (“Proposed Project”) at Ontario International Airport (ONT), located in the City of Ontario, San Bernardino, California. The Draft SEIR has been prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, (Public Resources Code 21000–21189) and the CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Sections 15000–15387). The Draft SEIR provides new information and analyzes the environmental effects of changes to the project reviewed in the 1991 “Certified ONT Final EIR (FEIR) for Terminals, Other Facilities and Operations to Support 12 Million Annual Passengers” (“1991 Certified FEIR”). The 1991 Certified FEIR studied, among other items, the potential impacts of various airfield improvements, including a runway extension and construction and reconstruction of several taxiways.

The Draft SEIR evaluates the potential environmental effects associated with the Proposed Project at ONT. Under CEQA, the OIAA finds that the Proposed Project would have temporary significant and unavoidable effects on the environment as analyzed in the Draft SEIR in the categories of noise and greenhouse gases (GHG). Temporary increases in noise exposure will occur during periods of construction when aircraft operations must use a single runway due to likely Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Air Traffic Control (ATC) imposed restrictions on the use of Contra Flow operations during nighttime hours. Temporary increases in GHG emissions will occur due to construction activities in 2023, 2024 and 2025. In addition to noise and GHG, the Draft SEIR analyzes the Proposed Project’s potential impacts to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, transportation/traffic, tribal cultural resources, human health risks associated with toxic air contaminants, and cumulative impacts. The Draft SEIR concludes impacts to these resources are less than significant, with mitigation proposed for biological resources and tribal cultural resources.

Report Availability: The Draft SEIR is available for review at <https://www.flyontario.com/corporate/environment/environment-reports> and in the following physical locations:

OIAA Administrative Offices
1923 East Avion Street
Ontario, CA 91761

**City of Ontario - Ovitt Family
Community Library**
215 East C Street
Ontario, CA 91764

Comment Period: OIAA released the Draft SEIR for public review on April 25, 2022 and it will be available for public comment until Thursday, June 9, 2022. OIAA invites you to provide comments on the Draft SEIR by emailing nwalker@flyontario.com or by mailing comments to OIAA at:

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Comments must be received by OIAA no later than **5:00 PM Pacific Time, Monday, June 9, 2022.**

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