



ARLINGTON AIRPORT NEWSLETTER – 1ST QUARTER 2011

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Projects Update

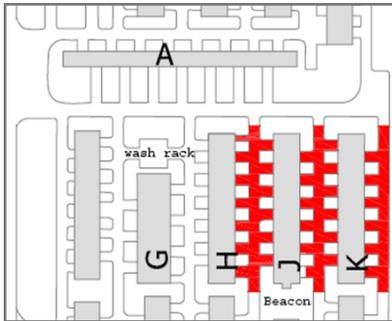
Master Plan Update

Some of you may be wondering what the status of the Master Plan update is following the resolution of the glider issue. Since that time Barnard Dunkelberg has been finishing up the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and putting costs to those projects. Part of the Master Plan update was to look at the airfield's historic district boundary for potential modifications. We also had to evaluate the projects within those boundaries to see if they would have an affect on the historical designation. Currently the boundary recommendation is being reviewed by the Department of Archeological and Historical Program (DAHP). DAHP has to make a determination on the district boundaries before the FAA will address the projects within the boundary.

One outcome of the glider operation review will result in the relocation of the piston aircraft grass landing area adjacent to runway 34. This grass strip will be relocated to the west side of runway 16/34 between taxiway connectors B-2 and B-3. The work on this strip has already begun. Last week the contractor sprayed the field to kill the grass. Once the grass has been killed the contractor will come in to plow, grade and seed. This part of the operation will depend on the ground temperature getting warm enough for the seed to take root. Sometime in the fall the contractor will return to go over the area one final time with a roller. If the strip is firm enough at that time it will be put into operation, if not we will continue to use the existing strip until late Spring or early Summer of 2012.

Frequency

The airport has a request to change the Common Traffic Advisory Frequency due to congestion on the current frequency. The airport's best option would be to change the frequency to 122.725. We would like to hear your thoughts and feeling on this proposed change. Please send responses by Friday, April 1st to tmensonides@arlingtonwa.gov or call 360-403-3471.



East K, East & West J Taxilane Reconstruction

As part of the airport's pavement maintenance program and 2011 budget, airport staff has dedicated funds to reconstruct three existing taxilanes on the south end of the airport. The taxilanes being reconstructed include the taxilane East of City Hangar K, the taxilane between City Hangars K and J, and the taxilane East of City Hangar H. All ramps leading up to the hangars are being reconstructed as well. The project is currently out to bid. Construction is likely to begin sometime in April and is anticipated to last approximately 45 days, weather dependent.

Vote for the Next Painting On Airport Appreciation Day

At airport appreciation day on May 7th local painter Harry Engstrom will be painting a subject related to the airport. Now is your chance to vote on the theme of Harry's painting.

Cast your votes via email to tmensonides@arlingtonwa.gov.

The four themes on this year's ballot are as follows:

- Gliders
- Helicopters
- Ultralights
- Black Jack Squadron

The last day to submit your vote will be Thursday, April 28th. Currently the airport has paintings of a Corsair and a Sportsman. All three paintings will be relocated to more noticeable display areas around the airport.



Security Lighting

You may have noticed the security lighting project for the city hangars and west ramp has not been completed. Unfortunately the electrical company who originally started the project went out of business and was unable to finish the installation. The airport rebid the remaining portion of the project, Smokey Point Electric, Inc. was awarded the project. The project is anticipated to be completed by the end of April.

Personnel and Vehicles on the Airport

There has been an increase in pedestrians and bicycles using the taxiways. Some people have even ventured off to the edge of the runway. Other than aircraft, only those individuals authorized by the airport manager to be in the aircraft operating area should be on the runways and taxiways. We have also had numerous vehicles use the taxiway and cross the runway. All vehicles (unless towing a plane) need to use the road system to get to their destination. We do not want pilots operating on the taxiways and runways to worry about what pedestrian or vehicles are actually going to do.

Pilots: We have received complaints about aircraft blocking the taxilanes between hangars. When parking your aircraft, even if it is just for a few minutes please be courteous and provide enough room for other aircraft to safely taxi by. Thank you.

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Be sure to check out the airport's new website at: www.arlingtonwa.gov

Airport Appreciation Day

This year's Airport Appreciation Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 7th. We are planning many exciting activities to display the Airport and its tenants. If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer for the event or showcase an aircraft please contact Tim Mensonides at tmensonides@arlingtonwa.gov or call 360-403-3471.

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