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Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee Shortlists Preliminary Alternatives for Lindbergh Field

SAN DIEGO – August 5, 2008 – The Ad Hoc Regional Airport Policy Committee reached a major milestone in the Destination Lindbergh planning process at a public workshop Saturday when the committee developed a short-list of build-out alternatives for further technical study.

Saturday's half-day workshop brought together committee members and technical consultants to evaluate various passenger terminal configurations integrated with an Inter-modal Transit Center (ITC) and airfield concepts. The consultants introduced the concepts, and the committee integrated them into possible alternatives. The committee then narrowed down the alternatives to a short-list of three.

“The Ad Hoc Committee took this opportunity to really roll up our sleeves and take a hard look at a range of alternatives for the future of Lindbergh Field,” said City of San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders, Committee Chair. “This is a good next step as we move forward to the ultimate goal of selecting a final alternative by next February.”

One alternative selected by the committee envisions locating all terminal and ITC facilities on the north side of the runway, while the other two alternatives locate passenger facilities on both sides of the runway with the ITC on the north side. The committee rejected the alternative that envisioned locating all facilities on the south side of the runway.

The alternatives will be refined within the context of a range of metrics, such as capacity impacts, traffic impacts, inter-modal transportation function and financial considerations, among others. The location of general aviation, the Air Traffic Control Tower and air cargo will all be looked at in the coming months. A final concept will be developed and presented to all stakeholders by February 2009.



About the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee

The Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee, chaired by Mayor Jerry Sanders, was formed to lead an unprecedented effort to determine, “What is the ultimate build-out for Lindbergh Field,” addressing transportation linkages, economic benefits and community interest. Its goal is to address the region’s air and ground transportation challenges by optimizing the existing airport location.

The Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee includes representatives from the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, the City of San Diego, San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), Port of San Diego, County of San Diego, Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), North County Transit District (NCTD) and U.S. Department of Defense. Find out more about the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee and Destination Lindbergh at http://www.sanplan.com/Destination_Lindbergh/index.asp.

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