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Airport Authority offers travelers tips regarding airline merger

SAN DIEGO – June 29, 2009 With the summer travel season in full swing, the Airport Authority is reminding passengers of the recent Northwest Airlines and Delta Air Lines merger. This message is especially important for Northwest Airlines passengers, who must check in at the Delta Air Lines ticket counter in Terminal 2 West but whose gates may be in Terminal 2 East.

Since the two airlines merged earlier this year, Northwest planes have been rebranded as Delta and airport signage has been changed to reflect the merger. The airlines' ticket counters have merged as well, and all Northwest and Delta passengers must now check in at the Delta ticket counter, in Terminal 2 West.

The increase in passengers now using the Delta ticket counter may lead to additional wait time at the adjacent security checkpoint. Passengers should be aware that if their flight leaves from Terminal 2 East, they may use the security checkpoint in Terminal 2 East. Check Point Assistants will be on hand during the summer season to manage the queuing of lines, as well as to help with way-finding.

As always, travelers should arrive at least two hours before departure for domestic flights and three hours for international flights. Flight status can be checked at www.san.org/flights. Travel tips for parents, persons with special needs and the general public, lists of prohibited items and more is at the TSA Web site, www.tsa.gov.

The San Diego County Regional Airport Authority was established by state law in 2003 to operate San Diego International Airport and to address the region's long-term air transportation needs. The Airport Authority is governed by a twelve-member appointed Board representing all areas of the County. San Diego International Airport — funded through user fees and not local taxes — served 18.1 million passengers in 2008.

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