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787 First Flight—December 17, 2009



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First Flight of Second 787



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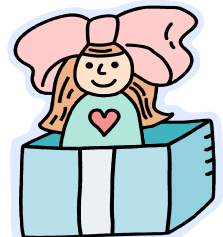
There have been two incidents in recent weeks which suggest a lack of understanding about Paine Field's fenced Air Operations Area (AOA). In the first one, a tenant invited friends to his hangar inside the AOA, but did not ensure the guests got to the exit gate safely on their departure. The second incident was during the flight of the first 787. Several tenants allowed guests access to the AOA to view the flight and a few of the guests strayed from the tenant's leased area. Airside tenants are totally responsible for guests for the entire time they are in the AOA. For special airfield events, such as first flights and warbird flyovers, tenants and guests must stay within tenant leased areas. Contact Bruce Goetz at 425 388 5110 with any questions you may have.



THANKS to Airport Staff, Tenants, WPA, and our Airport friends that contributed this year to the VOA-Everett Food Bank and/or the Christmas House Toy Collection Program.

VOA – Everett Food Bank: This year, the Airport collected \$800 in cash donations and almost 1,100 pounds of food to help the Everett Food Bank.

Christmas House Toy Collection Program: Toys were collected at the Airport offices and at the Future of Flight Airport Open House. The Airport Fire Department delivered the toys on Saturday, December 19.



It's a wonderful message when personal time and dollars are used to assist those less fortunate. **Thanks again!**

FAA agrees to third Public Hearing on Commercial Air Service

The Federal Aviation Administration has scheduled three public hearings to accept comments on the draft environmental assessment pertaining to two proposals to initiate commercial air service at Snohomish County's Paine Field Airport. The draft environmental assessment is available for review at the Paine Field Airport office, in local public libraries, on the Paine Field Web site www.paineairport.com/airserviceea.html, and at www.snoco.org/departments/airport.

The public hearings will begin at 6:30 pm on January 4 at Meadowdale High School in Lynnwood, on January 5 at Snohomish County PUD Auditorium in Everett and on January 21 at the Lynnwood Convention Center.

Exhibits from the EA will be available for viewing at 6 p.m each night at each location. The public comment period is open until Feb. 5, 2010.

Comments can be submitted in person during the three scheduled public hearings. Comments also may be submitted by e-mail to cayla.morgan@faa.gov or airservicecomments@snoco.org.

Written comments should be addressed to: Cayla Morgan, Environmental Protection Specialist, Seattle Airports District Office, Federal Aviation Administration, 1601 Lind Avenue S.W., Renton, WA 98057-3356. Dave Waggoner, Director, Snohomish County Airport, 3220 100th Street S.W., Suite A, Everett, WA 98204.

The environmental review was conducted in response to two requests to begin commercial air service at Paine Field received by Snohomish County in 2008. Although Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon and some County Council members have said they do not support commercial air service at Paine Field, federal law obligates the county to accommodate commercial air service.

Federal law does not allow the county to prohibit or limit scheduled passenger air service. Instead, it requires that the county negotiate with the airlines in good faith to accommodate their proposed service.

Horizon Airlines has indicated it wants to operate flights four times a day to Portland and twice per day to Spokane, using 75-seat Bombardier Q400 turboprop airplanes on both routes. Allegiant Air has said it plans to operate twice a week to Las Vegas, using 150-seat MD83 jet aircraft.

Before airlines may begin commercial air service, the FAA must amend the county's operating certificate for Paine Field as well as the airlines' operation specifications. The environmental assessment was required by the FAA prior to making its determination on the amendments. The preparation of the environmental assessment was funded by an FAA grant and by the time reviews are finished is expected to have cost more than \$450,000.

WPA Awards



The Sponsor of the Year Award goes to ECC Aviation Maintenance Technology School for their support over the years with advice, expertise and facility, both on a regular basis as well as in the clutch when WPA needed a place to meet.

Sparkplug of the Year

Jan Kinnier has been a consistent help with the Christmas parties and this year has taken over the arrangements for General Meetings and events. For all her help, as well as her entertainment capabilities

Jan was awarded the **Sparkplug of the Year Award**



Pilot of the Year

Jim Morgan has become a fixture at WPA events. He perennially staffs the WPA tent on GA Day and he stepped up to organize the 2009 Owners Maintenance Seminars with EvCC. With gratitude and respect, Jim Morgan has been declared the **WPA 2009 Pilot of the Year**.



Christmas House

Pam Sorenson, of the Christmas House, picked up toys at the Paine Field Open House. The Airport Fire Department also delivered toys to them in the Airport Fire Truck.

