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As the end of summer is in sight we are so thankful to have all of our seasonal carriers back, and to see all the flights our year round carriers have added. The airport still has a certain energy in the air that only the

rush of tourists eagerly anticipating their adventures can bring. Lake Hood is as busy as ever, with its air operations reaching far into the thousands during the summer months. It is good to remember that this increase in traffic will also increase your check-in and security processing times, so be sure to show up a littler earlier to your flights.

Whether you're on your next trip, or just dropping someone off, don't forget to carve out some extra time to eat at one of our excellent restaurants or maybe even do some shopping. The airport continues to strive to make your travel experience the best possible, so please stop by!

Have a great summer,

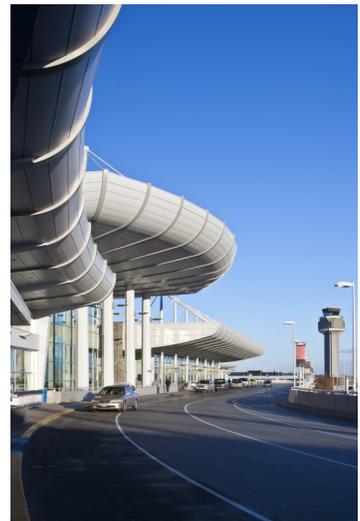
Cheers!
John Parrott

HIGHLIGHTS:

ANC STAFF EXCLUSIVE:

- AIRFIELD MAINTENANCE
- AIRPORT POLICE AND FIRE

Business at the airport is stable as usual, but we are constantly looking at ways to grow. We are excited about this year's Alaska Cargo Summit, which will take place for the first time ever in China. With the Asian cargo market as strong as ever we recognize that it is critical that we are proactive in pursuing their business. Alaska still makes the most "cents" when it comes to cargo from Asia to the U.S.; we just need to continue to get the word out.



AIRPORT PROJECTS

Certain signs are a sure indication that summer in Anchorage. Longer daylight hours, warmer temperatures, fishing, the return of seasonal airlines and.....orange and white barricades everywhere throughout ANC. This summer is no different as several major construction projects are underway.

Two general aviation parking ramps are being rebuilt. Ramps A/B are located across Postmark Dr. from the North Terminal. Work began on this project several weeks ago and is scheduled to be complete the end of September. Both parking ramps will have new structural sections, new asphalt and electricity in each spot when complete.



The largest project this summer is the reconstruction of Runway 7L/25R. This project was started last year with the western third of the runway. This year the remaining two thirds are currently underway with a completion date of [October 31](#).

The last of our major projects scheduled for this season is the Taxiway Y/K safety area widening. Construction began on [July 22](#) and is scheduled to be complete [September 30](#).

Lastly, another sure sign of summer at TSAIA is the endless list of preventive maintenance items our Airfield Maintenance department accomplishes every year. To name just a few, such things as asphalt repair and sealing and painting all airfield markings are critical to safe aircraft operations. As mentioned earlier, the list is endless and everything must be repaired, replaced or renewed in a very short summer season.



The next time you drive through the airport or look out your window, take note of the many tasks and projects that are underway so that ANC can continue to be a safe, reliable and efficient airport for our customers and the traveling public.



Article by Tim Lufkin—Airport Operations

LAKE HOOD ELODEA UPDATE

Lake Hood Elodea Response:

As is already evident to our floatplane users, there is abundant native vegetation at Lake Hood right now, probably due to a number of different factors like the early spring and hot sunny days. Although this native vegetation presents its own significant challenges for floatplane use (which we are attempting to find ways to address), if there's any good news in this, the native vegetation does seem to be out-competing the Elodea right now.



The Elodea that was detected was very patchy, didn't reach the surface, and was found sporadically throughout the lake. The largest patches were found in the "fingers". Of course, there may be Elodea yet undiscovered, and it is possible that some Elodea may be covered up native vegetation, so we need to remain watchful and aware.

Emergency herbicide application authorization has been issued for Lake Hood/Spenard. The first application was completed on Friday, July 24th, by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR). DNR will continue to coordinate further application as needed; they will continue to manage the response to this issue.

We're very grateful for the quick response and leadership from within DOT&PF and from DNR & DEC, taking the lead in helping us address this unwanted situation. We're also very grateful for the patience and professionalism displayed by all members of the Lake Hood Seaplane Base community.



Article by Tim Coons, Lake Hood Manager

LAND TRADE FACTS



- Airport owns: Kloop Snow Disposal Facility, Connors Bog Dog Park, Little Campbell Lake, 2 miles of the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail, Point Woronzof Overlook Parking Lot (Not to be confused with the MOA-owned Point Woronzof Park), and Sisson Loop Trails.
- Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Owns: Point Woronzof Park and other land south of the AWWU sewage treatment plant.
- The comprehensive land trade was developed by the West Anchorage Land Trade Task Force, organized by the MOA.
- The land trade discussions in the West Anchorage District Plan and West Anchorage Land Trade Task Force have been a transparent process. Public input, participation, and attendance have always been encouraged.
- The Airport permitted the MOA use of airport land for recreation and snow disposal through Maintenance Agreements at no cost. Those agreements are expired and are in month-to-month hold-over status.
- The Snow Disposal Facility is used only by the MOA; neither the Airport nor DOT utilizes this facility.
- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant Assurances are requirements by the Federal Government to ensure the land supports aeronautical activities
- The FAA continues to emphasize airport self-sustainability, and is insisting that airports across the nation charge fair market value rent for non-aeronautical land use.
- FAA Grant Assurances restrict the use of Airport property for non-aeronautical use without Fair Market Value Rent.
- FAA Grant Assurances do provide for recreational use of airport property, under certain conditions, for less than fair market value rent, provided the rent is equal to what the Airport could otherwise receive from a tenant.
- The FAA recognizes that the MOA's use of airport land is not compliant with Grant Assurances, but is giving the Airport the opportunity to resolve the issue through the comprehensive land trade.
- If a land trade does not move forward the FAA will require the Airport to charge the MOA for use of airport land for recreational and Maintenance properties.
- Grant Assurances dictate that any Airport Land currently used for recreation and maintenance must be considered for lease to a commercial entity if it supports aviation or non-aeronautical revenue generation for the Airport.
- MOA acquisition of Airport Land currently used for recreation and maintenance would ensure that the MOA is able to maintain these properties for public use free of charge.
- Through its Master Plan process, the Airport has identified a long-term need for Point Woronzof Park and land between there and AWWU for a new north-south runway if and when airport growth causes aircraft congestion and delay.
- Should a new runway be needed, Federal requirements mandate an Environment Impact Study (EIS) to review the potential impacts. An EIS would seek alternatives and measures to mitigate these impacts, including various options for any affected areas of the coastal trail and cultural resources.
- An EIS is a highly public process that would involve significant input from the community, natural resource groups, and other interested groups.
- The recent MOA ordinance, Appendix A Land Exchange Agreement, includes a comprehensive goal to provide for a continuous Coastal Trail with greenbelt buffer under permanent MOA control. Any relocation and reconstruction of the Coastal Trail requires review and approval of the MOA, including public input.

ANC STAFF EXCLUSIVE

Sam Baldessari Receives Certified Safety Professional Certification -

Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport would like to congratulate Sam Baldessari, Safety Officer at ANC, recently completed the Certified Safety Professional (CSP) program through the Board of Certified Safety Professionals.

Candidates are required to hold a Bachelor’s degree and have at least 4 years of experience in the field of Occupational Safety and Health to qualify for the program. In addition, the candidate must acquire the Associate Safety Professional (ASP) prerequisite credential through experience and successful completion of a 5 hour safety fundamentals examination. Finally, the candidate must pass the comprehensive 5.5 hour CSP exam. The exam is designed to test the professional’s knowledge of assessing hazards and controls, industrial hygiene, statistics and probabilities, cost-benefit analysis, regulatory compliance, training methods, hazardous chemical management, and managing safety programs.

The CSP certification program is internationally accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA).



— Article by Zaramie Lindseth, Airfield Maintenance Manager

ANC STAFF EXCLUSIVE

Airport Police & Fire Participate in the 4th of July Parade

The Airport Police and Fire Honor Guard took part in the City of Anchorage's annual 4th of July Parade. The Honor Guard looked sharp in their dress uniforms, reflecting great credit upon the airport and its highly trained emergency response professionals. The Airport Police and Fire has been participating in the parade for the last several years; its members are Officers Dan Juarez, Brandon Lewis, Zach Stone, and Casey Meade. Officer Brad Skupnik has coordinated the Honor Guard's participation over the last several years and is dedicated to making this event an incredible success.



Additionally, Officer Brandon Lewis spontaneously decided to try out the Scott Firefighter Challenge, a national event to test and demonstrate the skills of firefighting professionals around the country. The challenge includes several events that require competitors to test their physical and mental commitment while in full firefighting gear. Officer Lewis not only participated, but finished in the top 15 competitors, representing Airport Police and Fire with pride, while making it look easy. More information about the Scott Firefighter challenge can be found at: www.firefighterchallenge.com.



— Contributed by David Schulling, Deputy Chief Airport Police & Fire