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ARCATA/EUREKA AIRPORT RUNWAY CLOSURE SCHEDULED.

The Humboldt County Department of Public Works-Aviation Division is starting the Arcata/Eureka Airport's (ACV) Runway Safety Area (RSA) Enhancement Project May 1, 2010.

Phase-One of the RSA project will require closing both ACV's runways for a three-day period. The closure is to ensure safety for the numerous aviation stakeholders and the construction crews who will be required to work on the runways.

Airport staff worked with Horizon and United Express airlines to choose a closure date that best fit their schedule to minimize the impact to the traveling public. Both airlines agreed that **closing the airport runways starting Thursday night 11:00 PM on July 1, 2010 through Monday morning 6:00 AM on July 5, 2010 will minimize the number of travelers impacted by this project.** This will be a complete closure of both runways.

Local passengers who may have travel plans from the Arcata/Eureka airport during this specific three-day period and who have not been notified by an airline agent, are asked to contact their respective airline's customer service number for rescheduling:

Alaska/Horizon 1-800- 547-9308,or
United Express 1-800-241-6522

We apologize ahead of time for any inconvenience this may cause our passengers and the aviation community.

During the closure Mercer-Fraser will be working around the clock to complete the relocation of the Runway 14/32 thresholds, resurface the main runway, complete runway marking removal and repainting, upgrade high intensity runway edge lighting, and coordinate with FAA to install and relocate their equipment such as the approach lights and navigational aids.

All other required Phase-One work within the runway safety area will be completed at night.

Mead and Hunt, Airport Consultants, reported that Phase-One, the threshold relocation for Runway 14/32 and 01/19, is scheduled for completion in mid-August 2010. Phase-Two, installation of the Emergency Material Arrest System (EMAS), is tentatively scheduled for installation between mid-July and mid-August 2010. Following the EMAS, the Runway-01 safety area grading is tentatively scheduled from mid-August to completion in early September 2010. The final portion of this project, to stabilize the bluff located near Runway 14, is in the design and permitting phase for construction in 2011. With the bluff stabilization, the runway safety areas at ACV will be in compliance with new FAA safety standards.

These projects are being 95% funded by the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program Grant and 5% by the Aviation Division. Mercer-Fraser, inc. was awarded the Phase-One RSA project as the responsive low bidder by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors.

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UPDATE OF THE ARCATA/EUREKA AIRPORT RUNWAY CLOSURE SCHEDULE

The Humboldt County Department of Public Works-Aviation Division began the Arcata/Eureka Airport's (ACV) Runway Safety Area (RSA) Enhancement Project May 1, 2010.

This is a reminder that ACV's three day runway closure starts Thursday night 11:00 PM on July 1, 2010 through Monday morning 6:00 AM on July 5, 2010. This will be a complete closure of both runways.

The Arcata/Eureka Airport business schedules for the closure is as follows:

Airport Terminal	Open daily from 7:00 AM until 9:00 PM
Avis Rent-a-Car	Counter will be open daily from 9:00 AM until 4 PM
Hertz Rent-a-Car	Counter will be open on the 2 nd from 7:00 AM until 6:00 PM, open the 3 rd from 7:00AM until 1:00PM, and closed on the 4 th .
National Rent-a-car	Counter will be open July 2 nd from 7:30 Am until 4:00PM and closed on the 3 rd and 4 th of July.
Horizon Airlines	Closed all three days
United Express	Counter will be open daily from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM
Silver Lining Restaurant	Closed all three days

Additional Runway 14/32 and 01/19 closures are expected on Saturday June 19 and Saturday June 26, 2010 from 6:00 PM until 11:00 PM. The electrical contractor will be working in close proximity to the area where both runways intersect. To preserve the existing in-ground electrical service, it is critical that this phase of adding new in-ground service is completed during daylight hours. No commercial flights will be affected while both runway are closed.

All other construction work in proximity of Runway 14/32 and 01/19 is scheduled Sunday through Saturday from Midnight until 5:15 A.M. the next morning. The runways are closed to air traffic during this time to ensure the safety of all concerned. This allows the last commercial flight to arrive each night and depart as scheduled each morning. Construction along the main runway will continue on this schedule through mid-September.

Pilots are asked to be aware that from June 19, 2010 through July 9, 2010, the approach lighting system (MALSR) will be shut down to remove and replace light-bars located closest to Runway 32. This phase will affect Runway 32 minimum visibility approach procedures as follows:

Minimums will change from 3/8th mile, 200' with Runway Visual Range (RVR) of 1800' to 3/4th mile, 400' with RVR of 4,000' for instrument approaches.

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ACV RSA Project Schedule Update:

The following schedule update was presented to Aviation Division for the EMAS Phase of the ACV Runway Safety Area project.

This portion of the project is located in close proximity to the localizer located prior to the Runway 14 approach. The work scheduled will require FAA to take the instrument landing system (ILS) out of service. The FAA will be deactivating the ILS based on the schedule below due to surface grade changes forward of the Localizer Antennas. The soonest the outage will begin is August 9, 2010 through September 24, 2010 based on FAA's scheduled Flight Check. **VOR and RNAV (GPS) approaches will continue to be available for ACV.**

A project layout for the RWY 14 is included for reference.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE FOR THE ACV RSA IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:

- 1) Phase 1 July 30, 2010: Scheduled completion date.
- 2) Phase 2A –August 9 thru August 28, 2010:
Construction of the base pad and drainage for the EMAS blocks, relocating Taxiway A entrance and RWY 14 Threshold relocation . **This phase requires de-activating the ILS. This work will be night work. Residents near Kjerr Road in McKinleyville will notice night work on Runway 14 starting on this date**
- 3) Phase 2B - August 30 thru September 24, 2010:
Installation of the EMAS blocks. The ILS will be re-activated once FAA Flight Standards performs a flight check. The flight check will follow the completion of the EMAS blocks. **This will be a continuation of night work in the same area. ILS will be re-activated by FAA once an FAA flight check is completed.**
- 4) Phase 3A – July 26 thru August 16, 2010: Relocating RWY 01-19 thresholds and remarking the runways. This will be daytime work.
- 5) Phase 3B - July 26, thru September 28, 2010: RWY 1 Safety Area grading Improvements. This will be daytime work

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ACV RSA Project Update:

Last week the Aviation Division issued the schedule for the temporary shut down of the Arcata-Eureka Airport (ACV) Instrument Landing system. This system is an important component to pilots who are instrument rated enabling them to land and/or take off during inclement, or foggy, days at any airport..

Information provided by the local National Weather Service Bureau indicates that, historically, during the months of August and September:

- There is a 50% chance that Fog will cause IFR conditions during morning hours
- Then it drops to 25% chance of IFR conditions after 3:00 PM.

As the project moves forward, the Aviation Division would like to provide the traveling public with the airline contact numbers. Current contact numbers are:

- Alaska/Horizon Airline 800-547-9308
- United Airlines 800-241-6522

Again, the reason for the ILS shutdown is the EMAS platform and block installation in close proximity to the localizer. The Localizer is located prior to the Runway 14 approach. FAA will deactivate the ILS based on the schedule below due to surface grade changes forward of the Localizer Antennas. The outage will begin is August 9, 2010 until September 24, 2010 based on FAA's scheduled Flight Check. **VOR and RNAV (GPS) approaches will continue to be available for ACV.**

FAA's deadline to airports nationally is 2011 for required runway safety area upgrades. ACV will maintain its commercial service certificate by completing the project in 2010. While the numerous aviation stakeholders may experience a short term impact ,if the FAA's RSA deadline is not met, the economic impact would be much greater to the Humboldt County Region. Currently all funding of the RSA work, approximately \$11,000,000, is being provided by the FAA grant program

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ACV RSA Project Update:

The Instrument Landing System (ILS) outage for the Arcata/Eureka Airport (ACV) is scheduled to start Monday, August 16, 2010 at 12:30 AM.

Construction work in front of the Localizer requires the temporary shut down of ACV's Instrument Landing system. This system is an important component to pilots who are instrument rated enabling them to land and/or take off during inclement weather or foggy days at any airport.

During the week of August 9, 2010 FAA installed and replaced Medium Approach lighting System (MALSR) components. The contractor, Mercer-Fraser, completed the necessary installation of lighting and paving to complete Phase One and Two of the project. On Monday morning at 12:30 AM they will move to Phase Three which is the construction of the EMAS base followed by installation of the EMAS blocks. This work is scheduled to be completed the later part of September.

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