

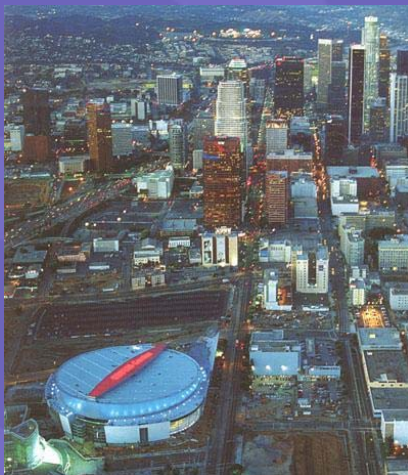


Breathing Easier in the Flight Path: LAX Environmental Benefits



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Staples Center Expansion



- First Major Community Benefits Agreement
- LA Times called it “the first of its kind nationwide in its scope” (June 2, 2001)
- Investment in neighborhood parks
- Solid waste plan
- Affordable Housing
- Job Training

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ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE

LAX Expansion

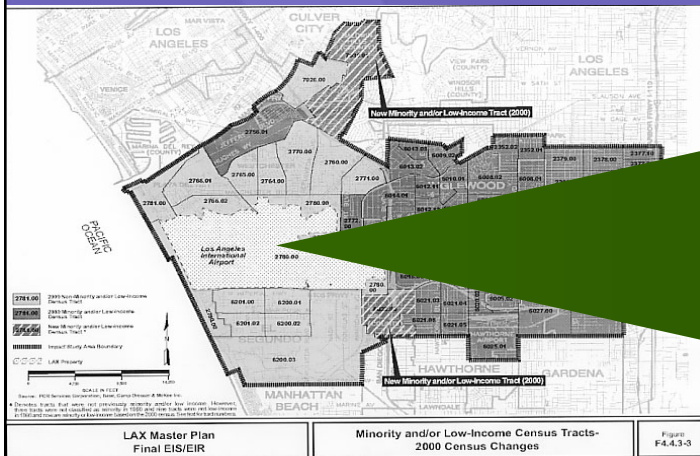
- Developed after 9/11, increases capacity to 78 million annual passengers
- Runway modification, elimination of existing terminals
- Projected Time of Project: 10-15 years of demolition and construction
- Projected Cost of Project: \$9-12 Billion



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ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE

People of Color and Low Income Communities Impacted (2000 census)



Air and noise pollution from flight path into LAX

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LAX Pollution and Children



“Children within minority communities may be particularly susceptible to health effects of PM₁₀, ozone and NO₂ and thus may be more severely affected than others.”



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Three Steps to Success at LAX

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- Common Goals Identified
- Negotiated Agreement

- Environmental Groups
- School Districts
- Faith-based Groups
- Community Groups
- Unions

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- **Air Pollution Reduction**
- **Health and Air Studies**
- **Environmental Justice**
- **Green Building**
- **Soundproofing of Homes and Schools**

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- **Started with 70+ negotiation points**
- **Ten-month process**
- **Final agreement worth half-billion dollars**

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Allies - LAX Coalition

School Districts

- Inglewood Unified School District
- Lennox Unified School District

Community Organizations

- AGENDA
- Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice (CLUE)
- Community Coalition for Change
- Inglewood Coalition for Drug and Violence Prevention
- Inglewood Democratic Club
- Inglewood Ministerial Alliance
- Lennox Coordinating Council
- Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy
- Los Angeles Council of Churches Los Angeles Metropolitan Churches
- Nation of Islam

Environmental Organizations

- California Environmental Rights Alliance
- Coalition for Clean Air
- Community Coalition
- Communities for a Better Environment
- Environmental Defense - Environmental Justice Project
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Physicians for Social Responsibility - Los Angeles

Labor Unions

- Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Local 11
- Service Employees International Union Local 1877
- Service Employees International Union Local 347
- Teamsters Local 911

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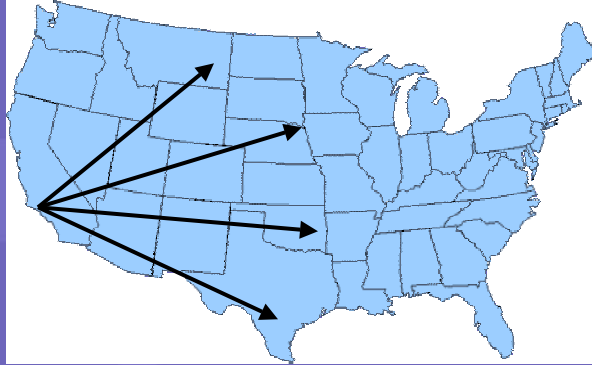
A Less-Polluting Airport



- **Diesel Emission Reductions from On and Off Road Sources**
- **Improved Soundproofing Programs for Homes and Schools**
- **Commitment to Green Building Principles**
- **Public Access to Better and More Information**
- **Community Accountability Through Meetings and Written Reports**

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The Replication Question

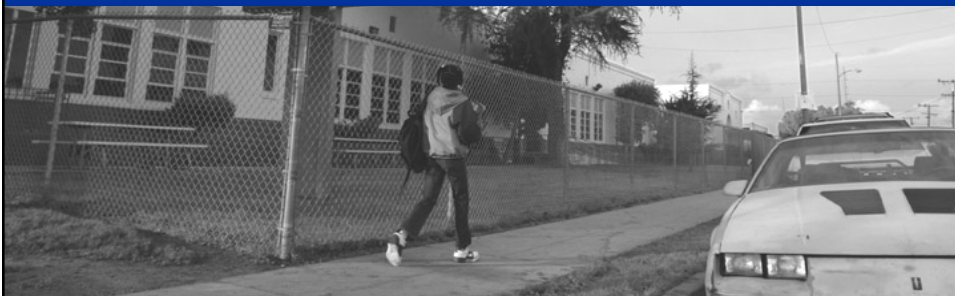


How do we take what we learned in the LAX process and apply it in other situations and other cities?

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Questions & Comments



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