

# **Specific Plan Amendment Study South Airfield Improvement Project Community Outreach Meeting**

**Los Angeles World Airports  
July 26, 2006**



# Agenda

- **Community Outreach**
- **Project Purpose**
- **Aircraft Operations**
- **Aircraft Noise**
- **Runway Construction**
- **Project Mitigation**
- **Contact Information**



# Community Outreach

## Tonight is the first in a series of three meetings regarding the SAIP

**First Meeting – Prior to Runway Closure July 06**

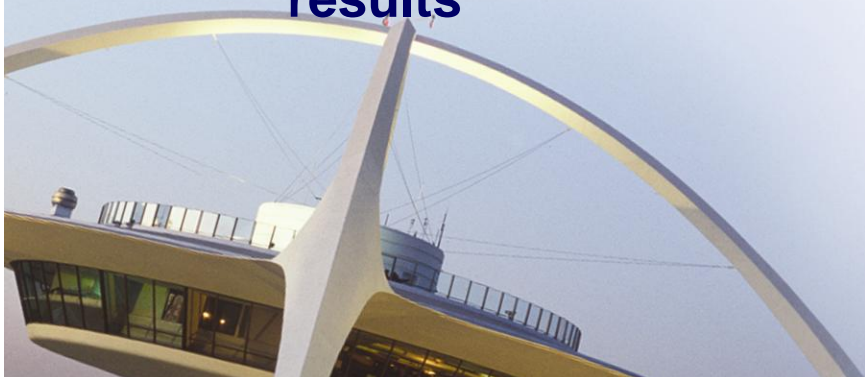
**Construction Schedule, Mitigation Measures, Noise Monitoring programs**

**Second Meeting – During Runway Closure July 06 – March 07**

**Updated Construction Schedule, Comments on Mitigation Measures effectiveness, Updated Noise Monitoring programs**

**Third Meeting – After reopening of Runway 25L**

**Comments on Mitigation Measures, Updated Noise Monitoring results**



# Project Purpose

**Safety- eliminate or reduce the number of runway incursions**

**Air Quality – Reduce the aircraft idle and taxi time**

***South Airfield project is not to accommodate new large aircraft (A380). The A380 could operate on the south side without the project***



# Roles and Responsibilities

- **Federal Aviation Administration**
  - **Control of aircraft on the ground and in the air**
    - Aircraft on ramps, taxiways and runways
    - Aircraft departure and arrival procedures (routes and altitudes) as well as enroute procedures
- **LAWA**
  - **Maintenance of airport facilities (landside and airside)**
    - Parking, terminals, leaseholds
    - Runways, taxiways, etc.
  - **Airport Planning**
  - **Airport Facilities Development**

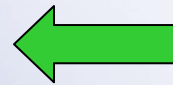
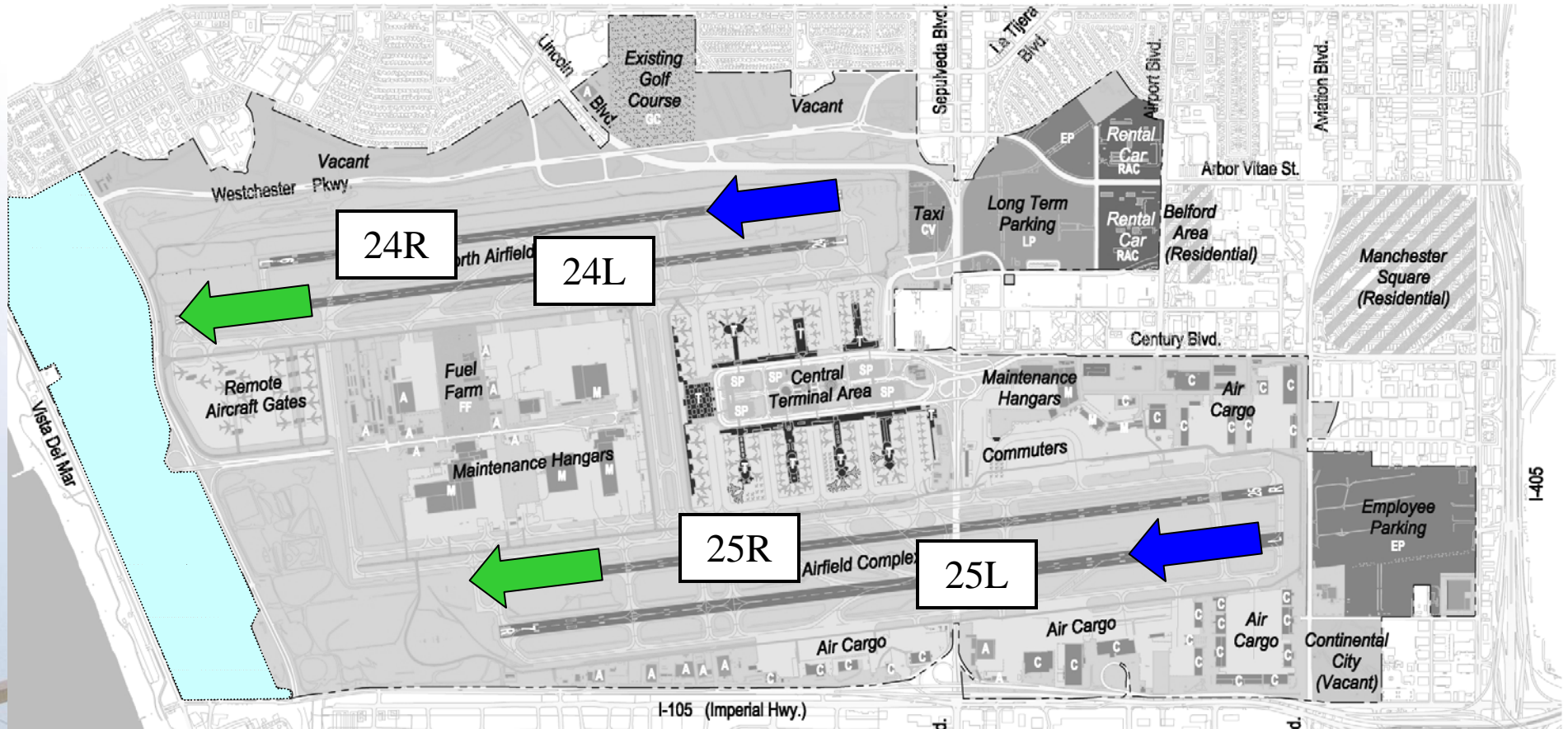


# LAX Airport Operations

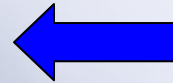
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    - Aircraft depart and arrive to the east
  - **Go-Arounds**



# Normal Aircraft Operations-Primary Uses

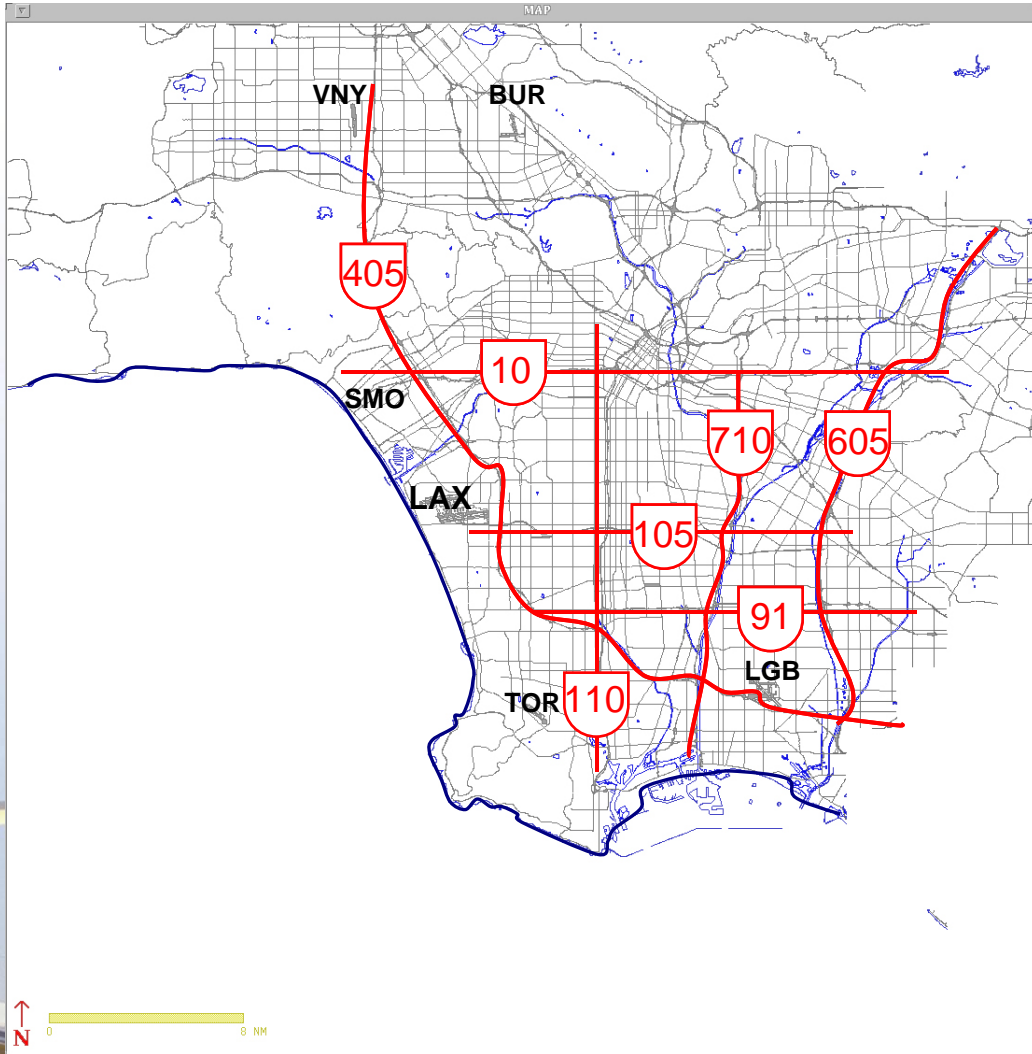


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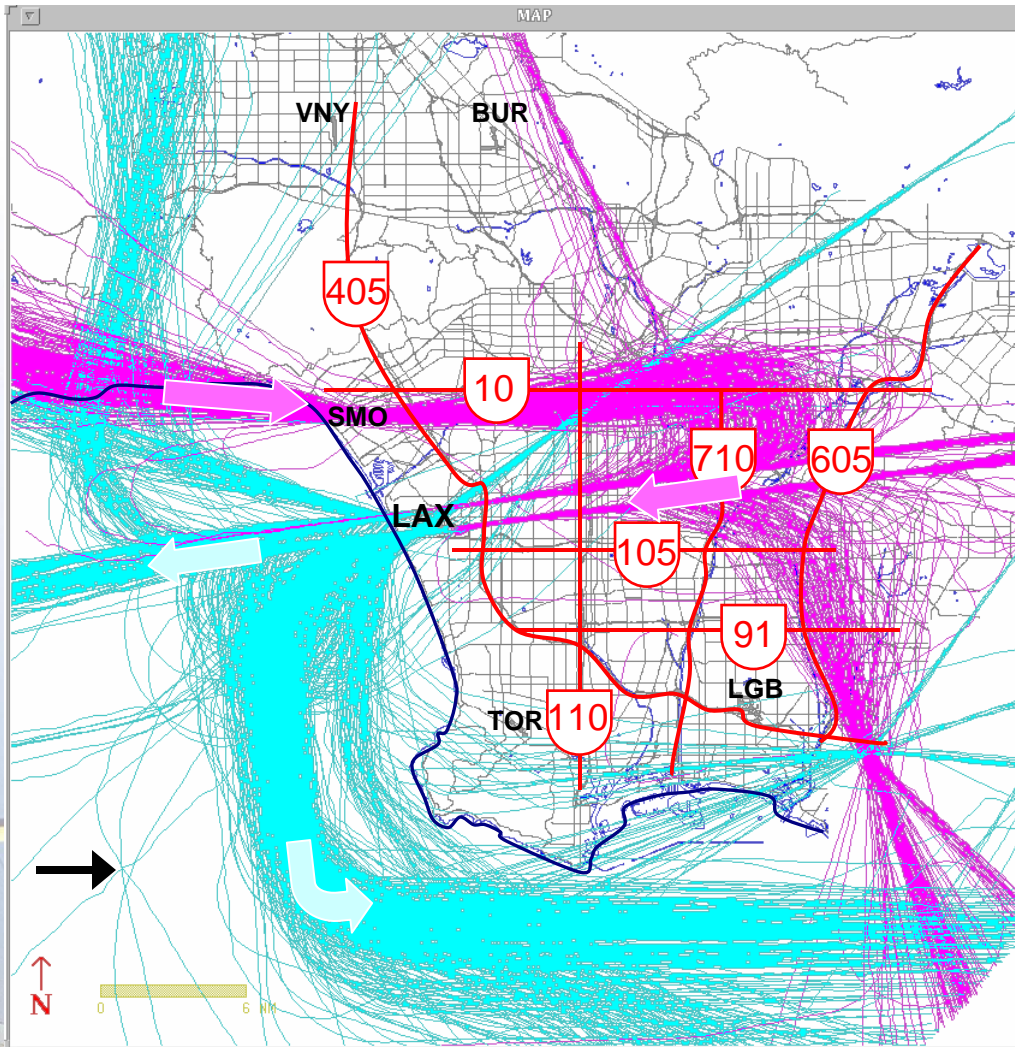
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# Westerly Operations





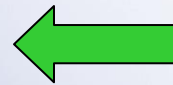
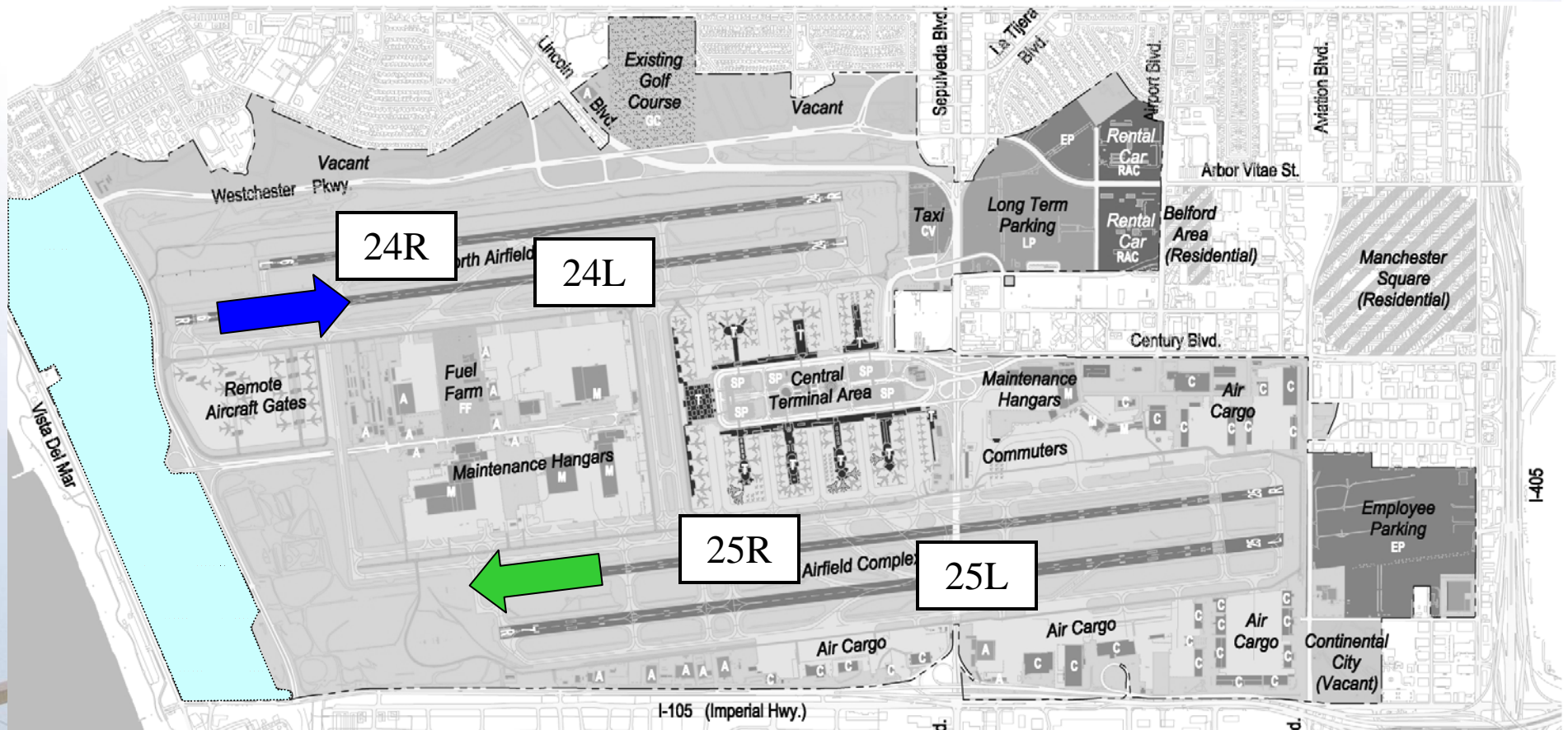
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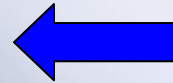
April 27, 2006  
(6:30 a.m. to Midnight)

Purple Tracks –  
Arrivals  
Blue Tracks -  
Departures

# Over Ocean Operations 12:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.

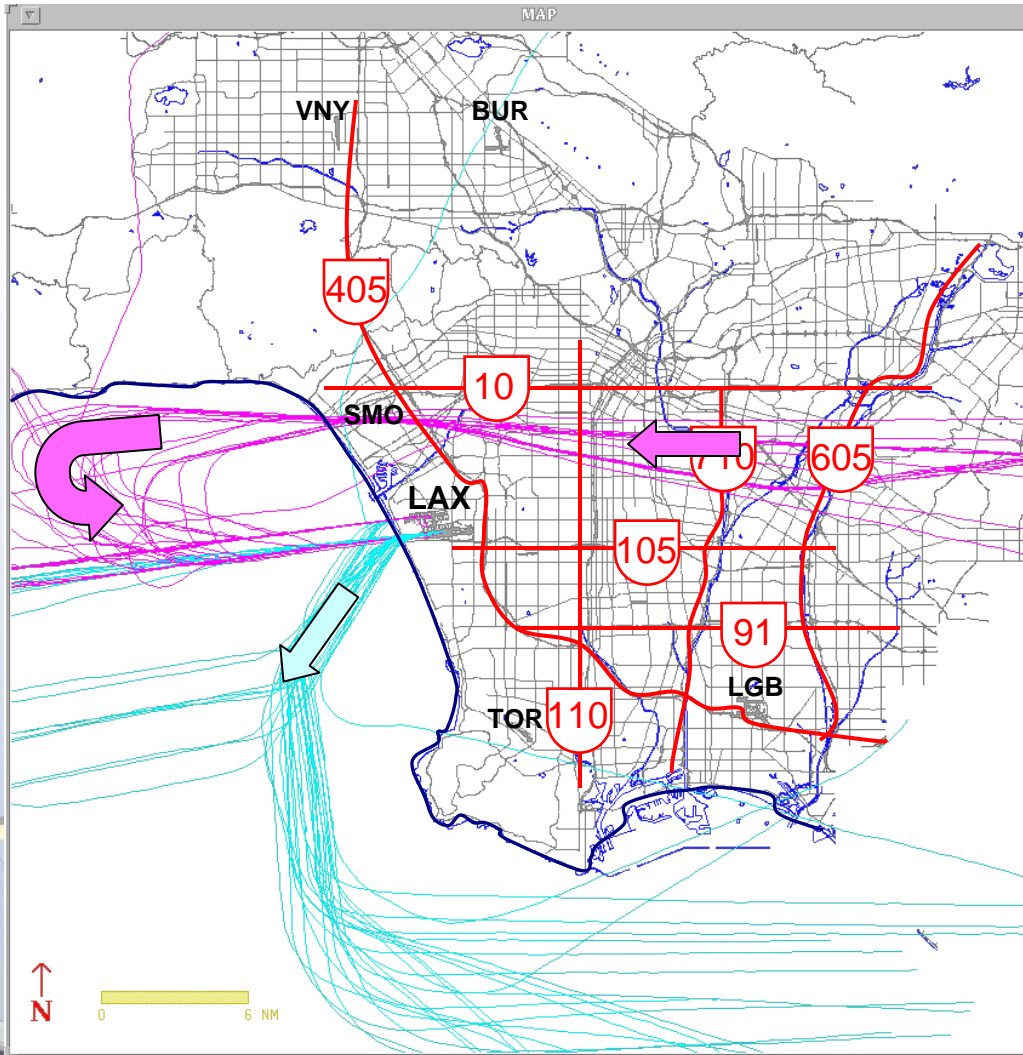


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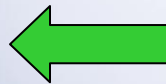
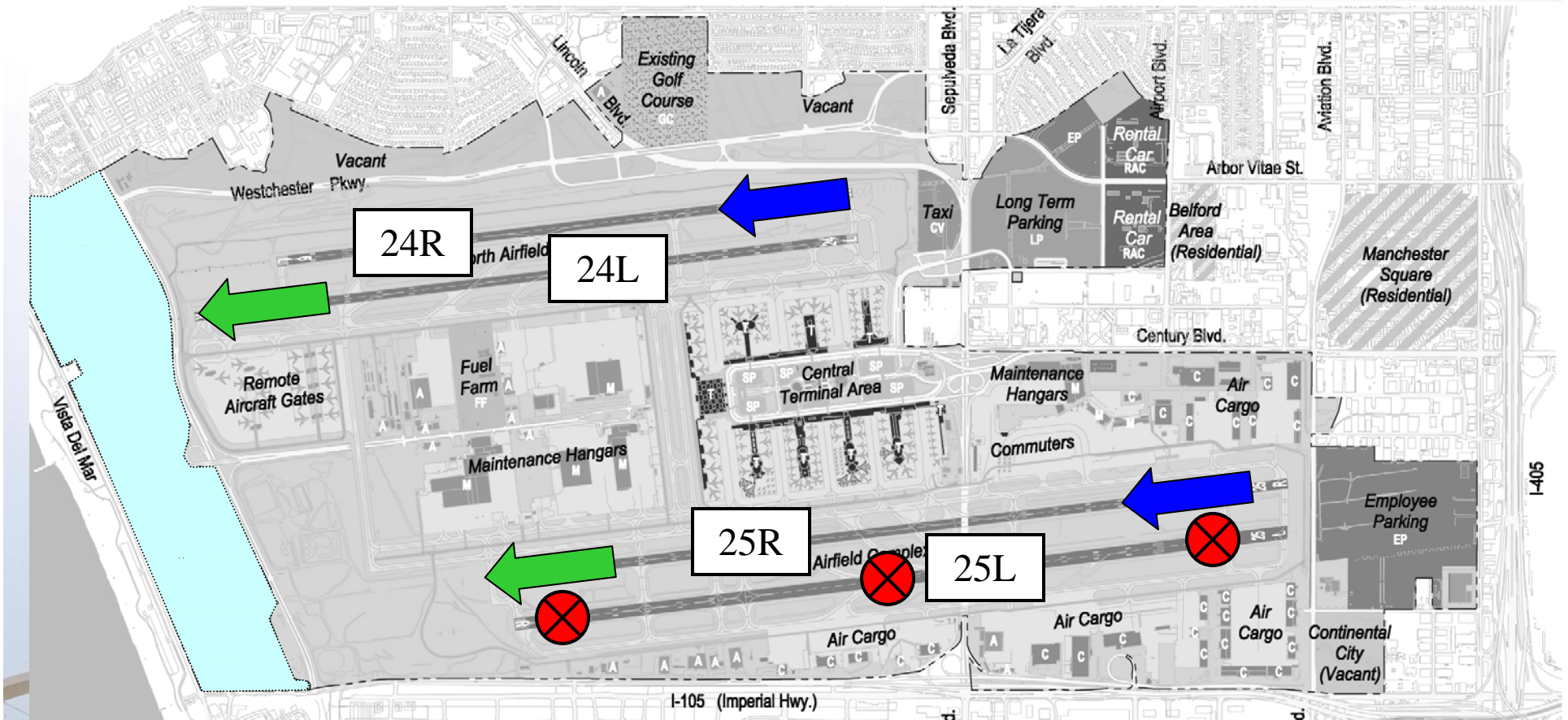
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# Operations During Runway 25L Closure



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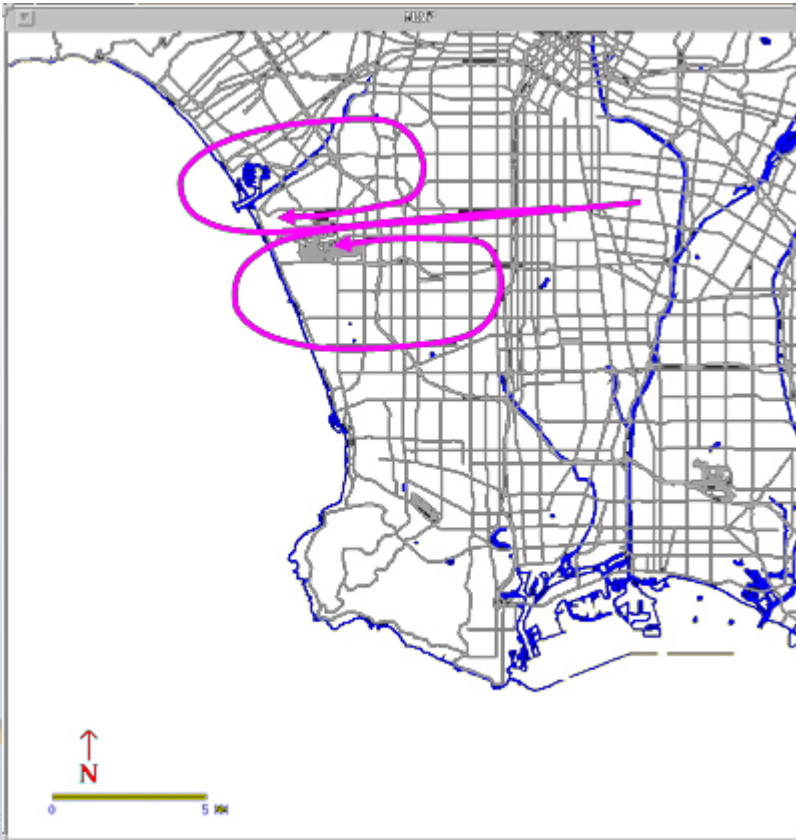
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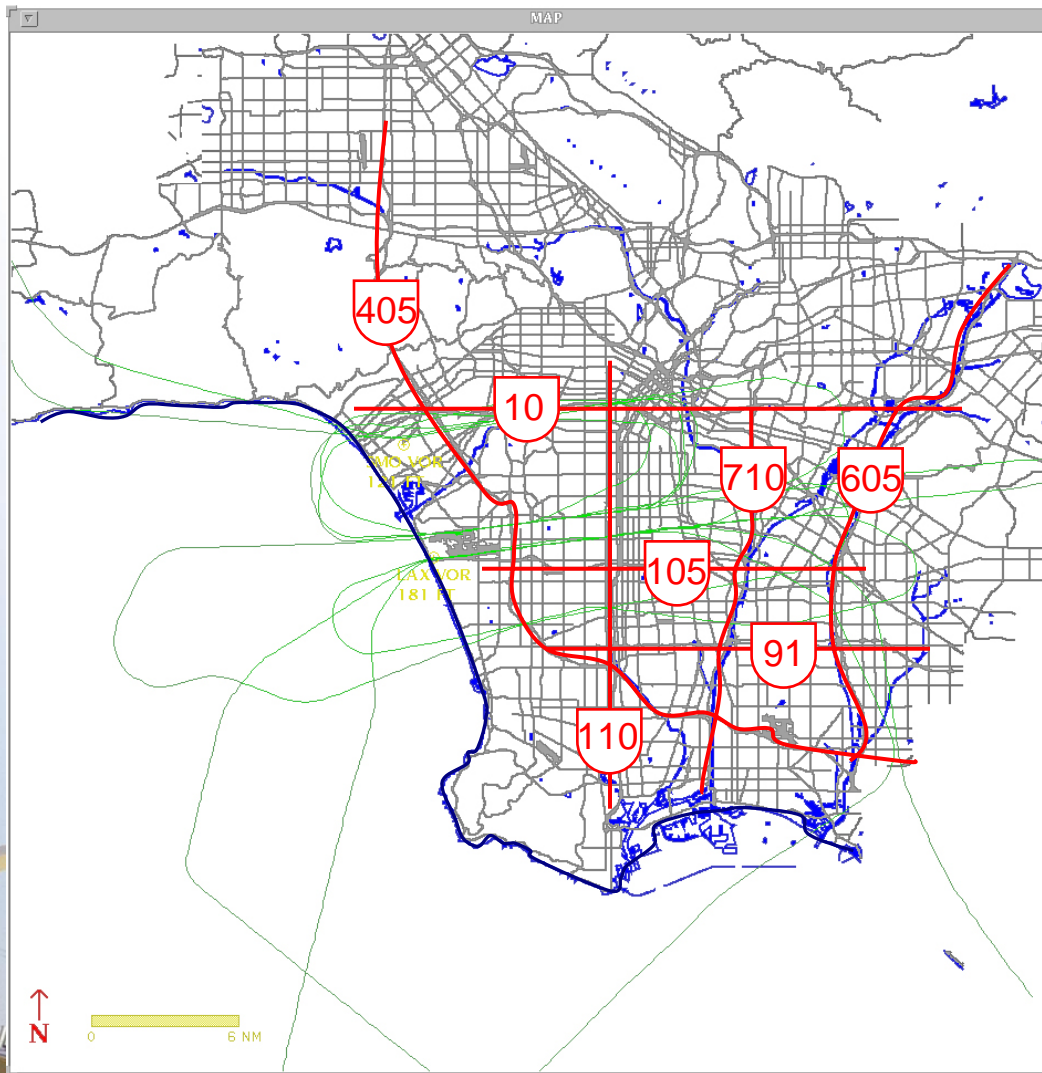


# Go-Arounds



- **Go-arounds or missed approaches occur when an aircraft cannot land and has to go back around and try again**
- **Causes or reasons for a go-around/missed approach is case specific**
  - Pilot initiated (too high or fast)
  - FAA initiated (previous arrival, etc)
- **Aircraft usually maintain runway heading until vectored (turned to a specified heading) by the FAA controller to make a U-turn to re-enter the arrival route**

# Go-Arounds



**April 3, 2006 – 6 Missed Approaches/Go Arouns**

**Runway 24R**

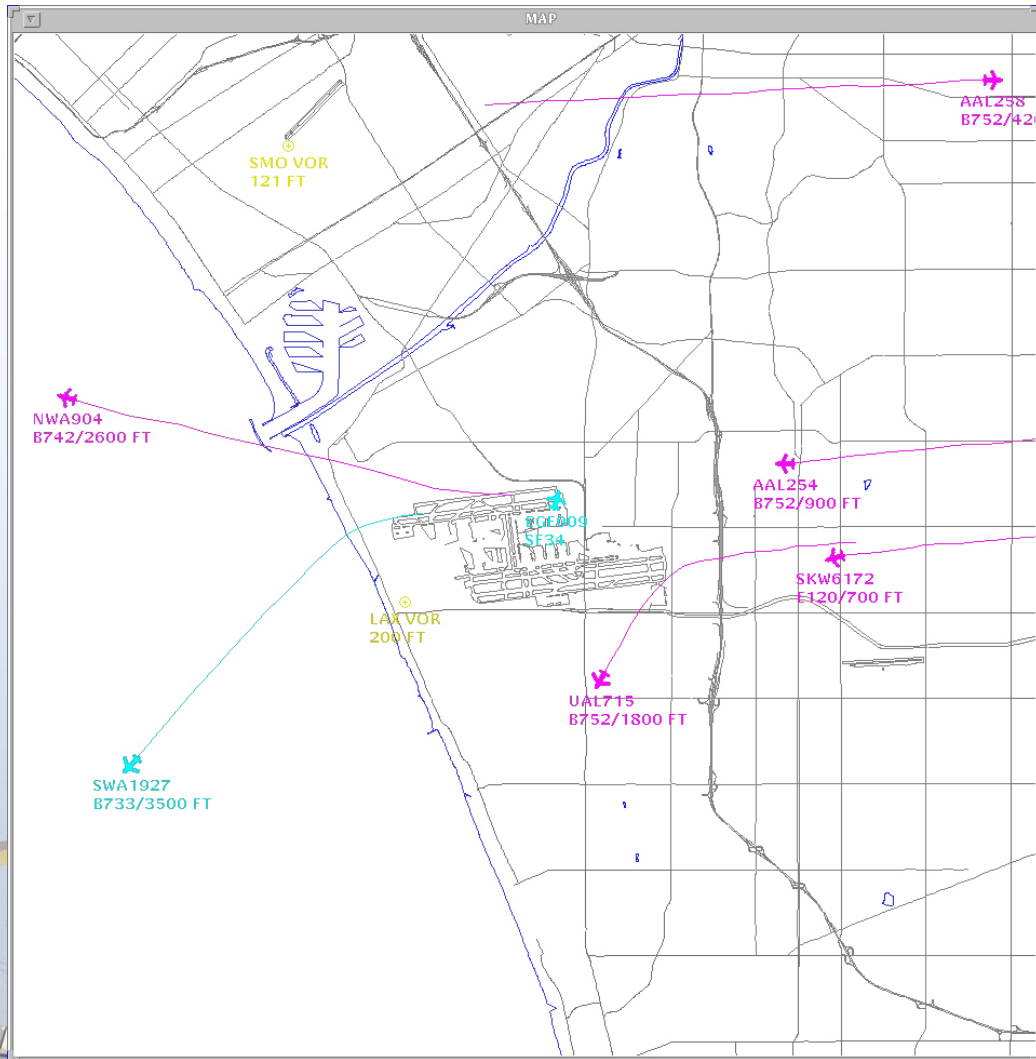
**1 Missed Approach (Pilot initiated)**

**2 Go Arouns (Controller initiated)**

**Runway 25L**

**3 Missed Approaches (Pilot initiated)**

# Go-Arounds



**March 17, 2006 9:28 p.m.**

**Missed Approach Runway 24R**

**NWA B747 – Pilot initiated due to Aircraft Equipment (gear) problem. Turn north due to previous departure on 24L.**

**Go Around Runway 25L**

**United B757 – Controller initiated (previous arrival lost radio contact crossing between runways). Turn south due to previous departure on 24L.**

**Purple Tracks – Arrivals**

**Blue Tracks - Departures**

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# Noise Monitoring

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# Basics of Sound

- ***Sound*** – minute vibrations that can be sensed by the human ear through air or water
- ***Noise*** – “unwanted” sound that disturbs our activities and/or quiet time
- ***Decibel (dB)*** – logarithmic unit of measure for sound (addition of sounds:  $70 \text{ dB} + 70 \text{ dB} = 73 \text{ dB}$ )



# Basics of Sound

- ***Intensity*** – a measure of acoustic energy of sound vibrations (Volume)
  - A 10 dB increase is a doubling of acoustic energy/volume
- ***Frequency*** – number of times per second the air vibrates (Pitch)
  - Lower frequency sounds go through walls and windows causing rattling
  - Higher frequency sounds usually stopped by walls and double paned/sound insulation type windows



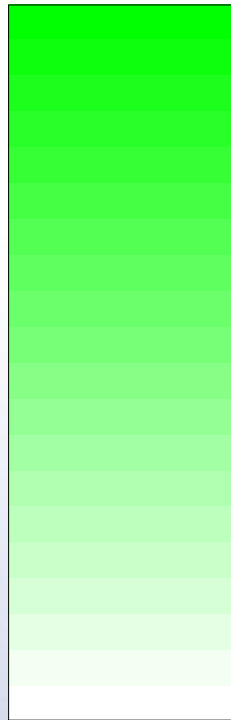
# Reaction to Changes in Sound

Change in Level, dB	Subjective Reaction
1	Imperceptible (except for tones)
3	Just barely noticeable
6	Clearly noticeable
10	About twice (or half) as loud



# Examples of Sound Levels

<i>Noise Source</i>	<i>Sound Level</i>	<i>Subjective Description</i>
<i>Amplified Rock &amp; Roll Jet Takeoff @ 200 ft</i>	120 dB	<i>Deafening</i>
<i>Busy Urban Street</i>	100 dB	<i>Very Loud</i>
<i>Freeway Traffic @ 50 ft</i>	80 dB	<i>Loud</i>
<i>Conversation @ 6 ft</i>	60 dB	<i>Moderate</i>
<i>Typical Office Interior</i>	40 dB	<i>Faint</i>
<i>Soft Radio Music</i>	20 dB	<i>Very Faint</i>
<i>Residential Interior</i>	0 dB	
<i>Whisper @ 6 ft</i>		
<i>Human Breathing</i>		

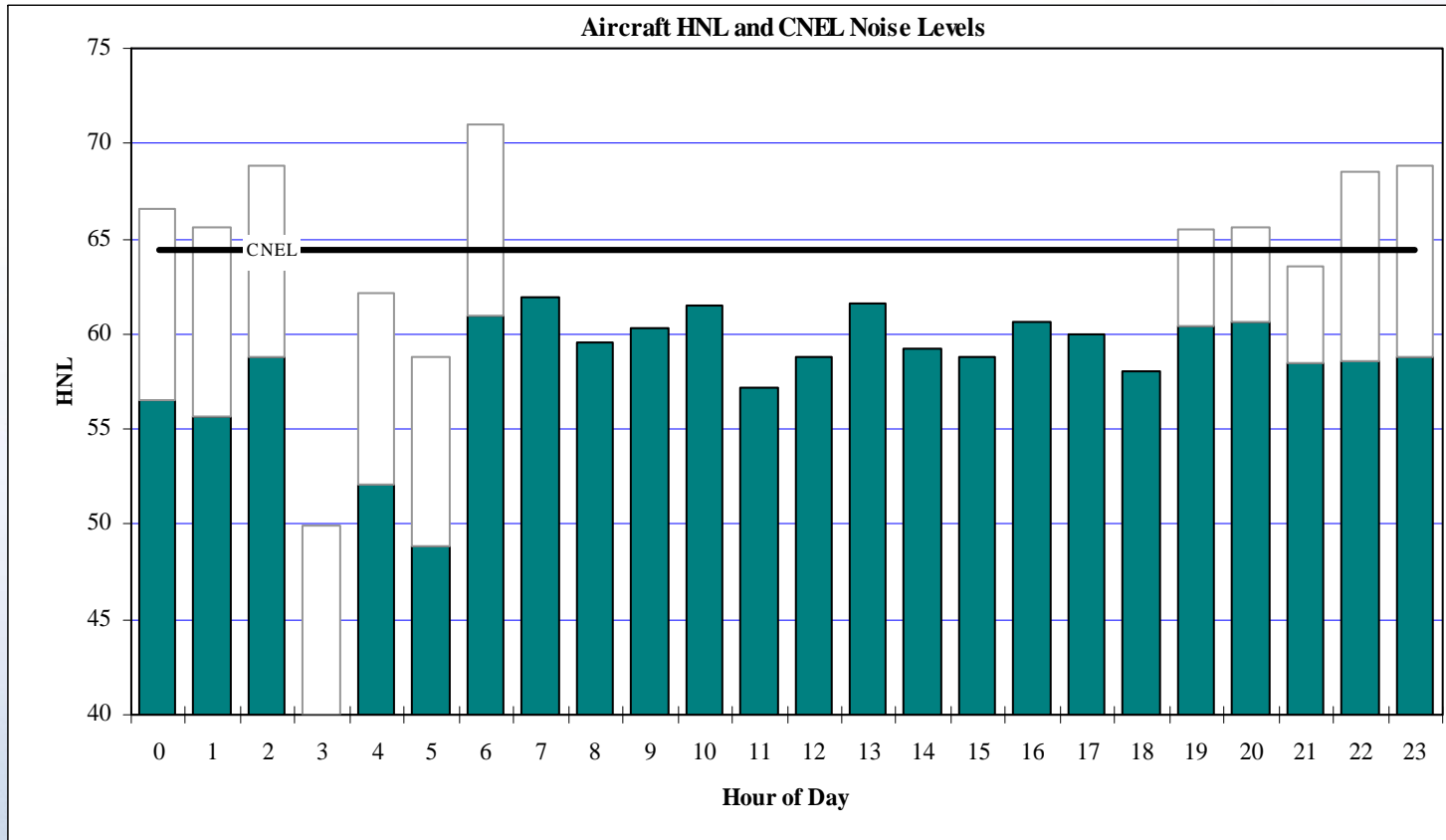


# Noise Metrics

- **Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL)**
  - 24 Hour Weighted Average
  - Weighting for Evening (x3) and Night (x10) where noise is perceived to be louder

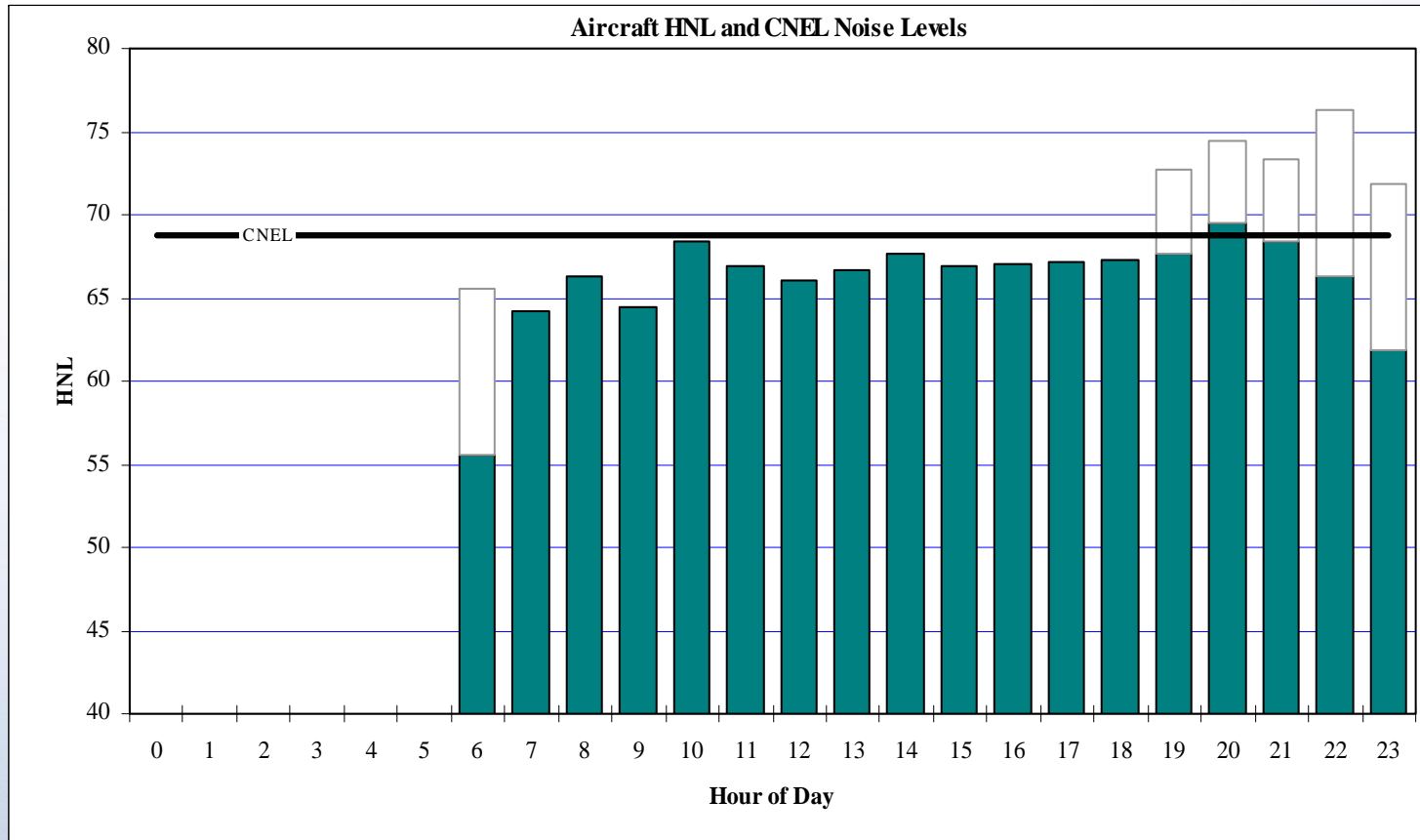


# Daily CNEL – ES3





# Daily CNEL – IN3



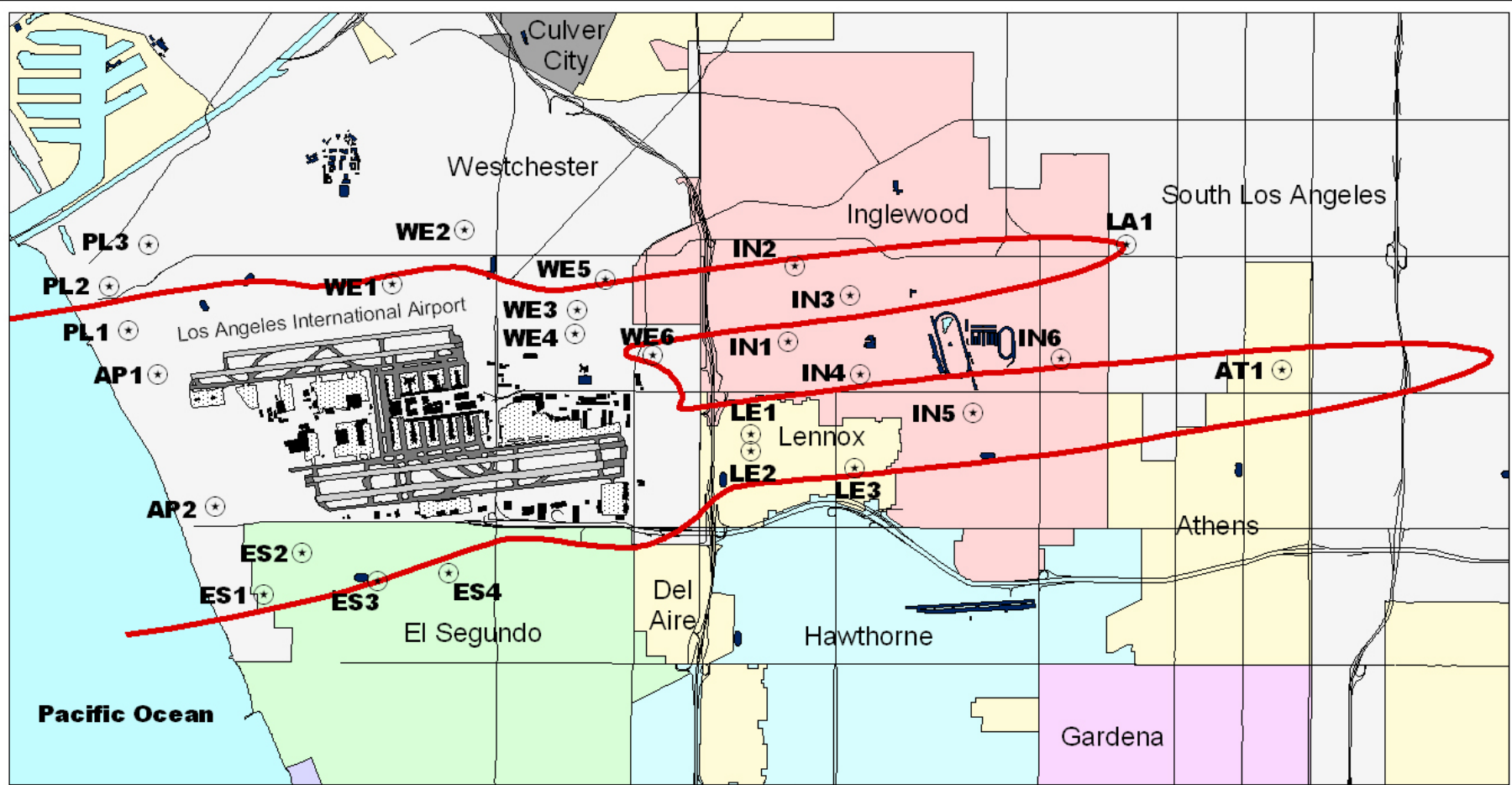
# Noise Monitoring

- LAX currently has 25 permanent noise monitors positioned around LAX collecting data 24 hrs per day, 365 days per year
- Noise Monitoring System correlates FAA radar flight track operation information to measured noise levels to determine aircraft noise
- Measured aircraft noise levels are used to adjust the Integrated Noise Model (INM) contours to depict the Annual Average 65 dB CNEL noise contour

# Existing Noise Monitoring Site

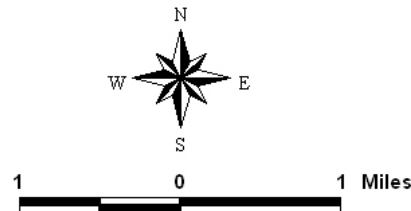


# Existing Noise Monitoring Site Location



## LEGEND

- ⊙ Noise Monitoring Site
- 4Q 2005 - 65 dB CNEL



## Noise Monitoring Site Location Map

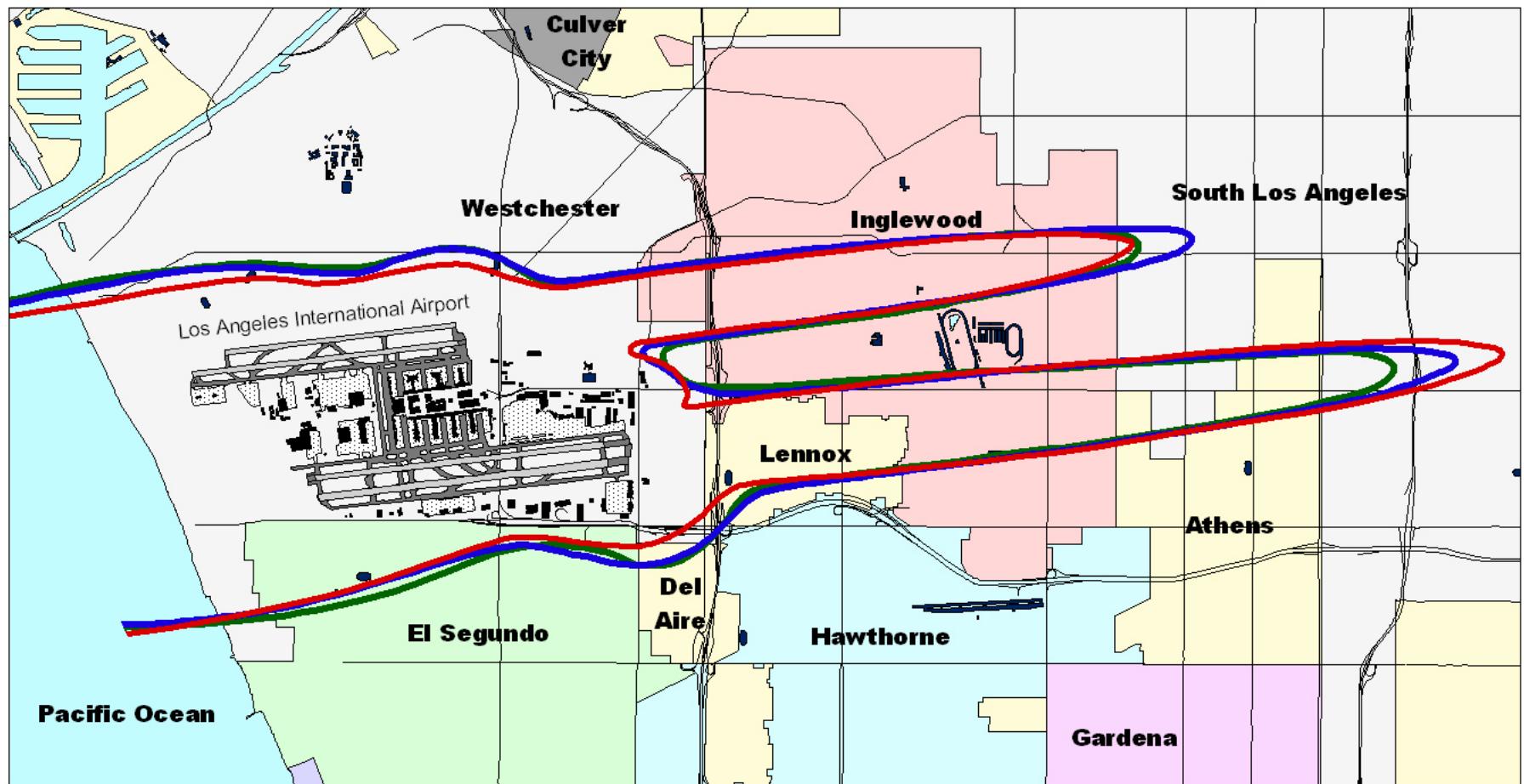


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 Report No.: May 01, 2006  
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# History of Noise Footprint



## LEGEND

-  4Q 1996 – 65 dB CNEL
-  4Q 2001 – 65 dB CNEL
-  4Q 2005 – 65 dB CNEL



1 0 1 Miles

## LAX 65 dB CNEL Comparison Map



### Noise Management Division

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Prepared On: *May 03, 2006*



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# 4Q1992 vs. 4Q2005 65CNEL



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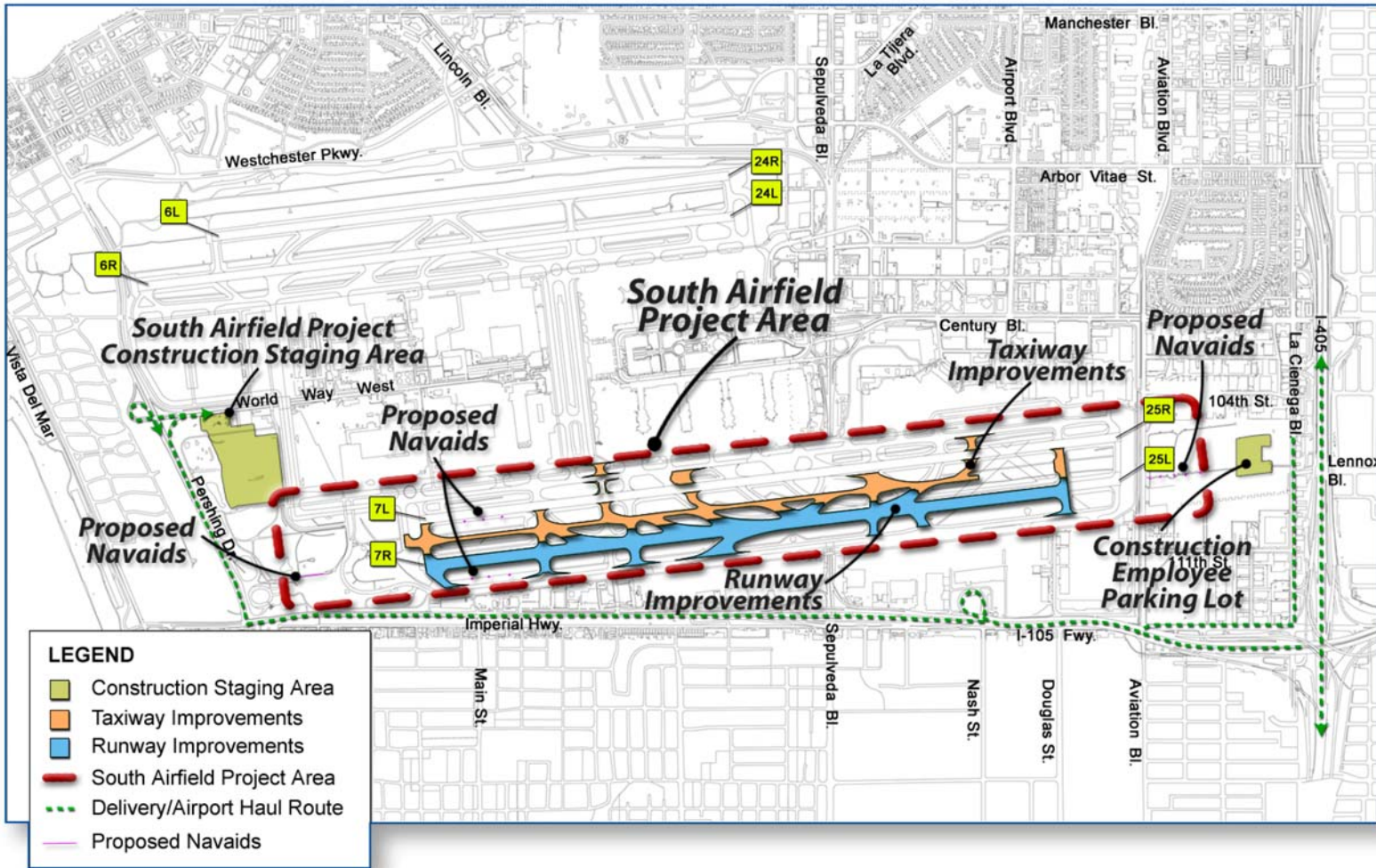
# **South Airfield Improvement Project Construction**

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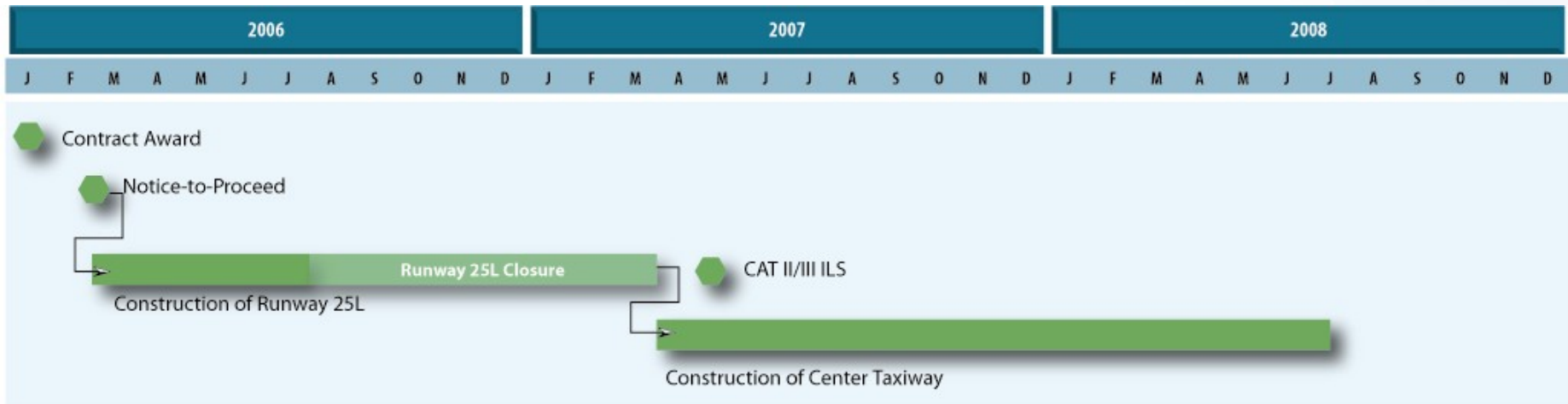




# SAIP – Project Elements/Setting



# SAIP Overall Project Schedule



# Phase 1 – Batch Plant



# Phase 1 – Test Strip



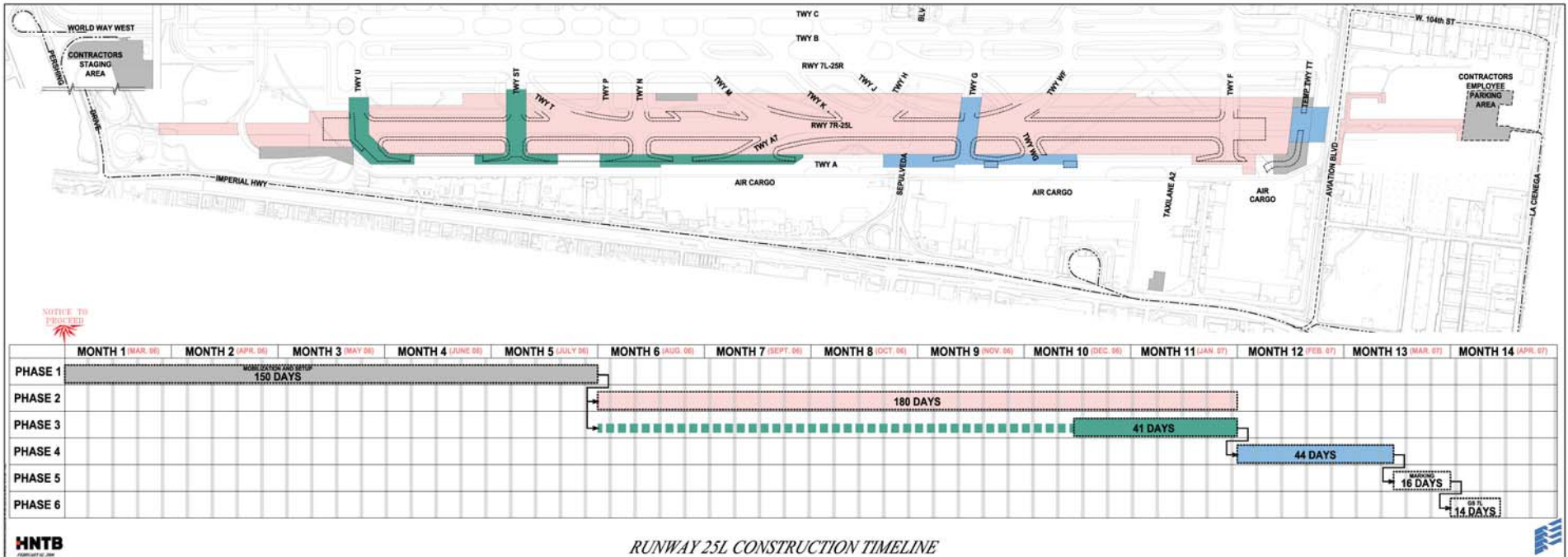
# Phase 1 – Utility Installations



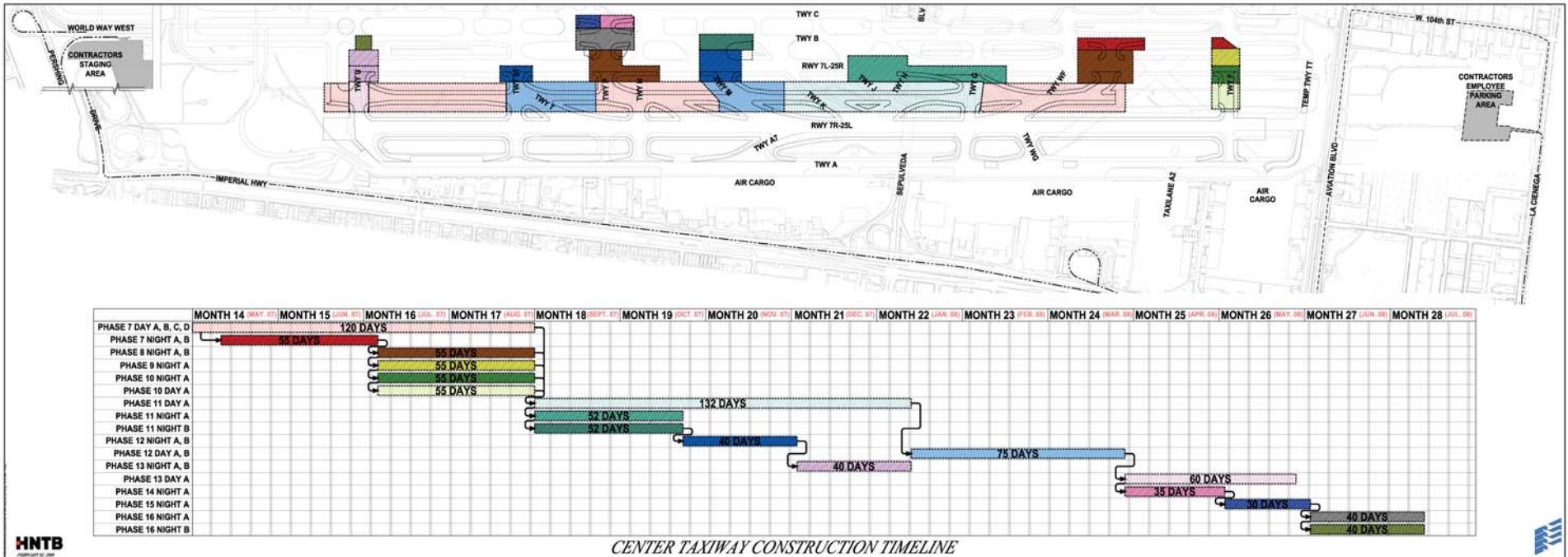
# Phase 1 – Temporary Taxiway



# Package 1 – Phase/Schedule



# Package 2 – Phasing/Schedule





# Basis for Development of SAIP MMRP

- **Settlement Agreement**
- **LAX Master Plan MMRP**
- **SAIP Project-Level Tiered Environmental Impact Report**
- **Other Mitigation Measures identified for SAIP Construction**
  - **Included as mandatory requirements in the construction contract.**
  - **Failure to meet requirements carry financial penalties (fines)**



# Specific Project Mitigation Measures

- **The SAIP MMRP focuses on:**
  - **Air Quality**
  - **Construction Noise**
  - **Construction Traffic**



# Air Quality Measures

- **Vehicle idling rules**



# Air Quality Measures

- **Proper maintenance of construction equipment**
- **Cleaner Burning Diesel Fuel – ULSD**
- **Diesel Emission Reduction – Where feasible, use of available BACT devices, for diesel equipment**
- **Replace older equipment**



# Air Quality Measures – BACT Devices



# Air Quality Measures – New Equipment



# Air Quality Measures


- **Fugitive Dust Control Plan – complies with AQMD Rule 403**
  - **Soil Stabilizers**
  - **Designated Stockpile locations and dust controls**
  - **15 mph speed limit on unpaved areas**
  - **Proper maintenance of haul and delivery routes**
  - **Street Sweeping and Vacuuming**
  - **Watering**

# Air Quality – Fugitive Dust





# Air Quality – Public Input



7800 WORLD WAY WEST  
Runway 25L Relocation & Center Taxiway Improvements  
IF YOU SEE DUST COMING FROM  
THIS PROJECT CALL:  
**Joshua Logan or David Saliba**  
**at 310 491-3100**  
If you do not receive a response, Please call  
The AQMD 1-800-CUT-SMOG

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# Construction Noise Measures

- **Mandatory Construction Noise Control Plan (CNCP)**
  - **Schedule noisiest construction activities outside noise sensitive times. (9pm-7am Weekdays; before 8am and after 9pm on Sat; anytime on Sundays or Holidays)**



# Construction Noise – Pavement Breaker



# Construction Noise – Hoe Ram

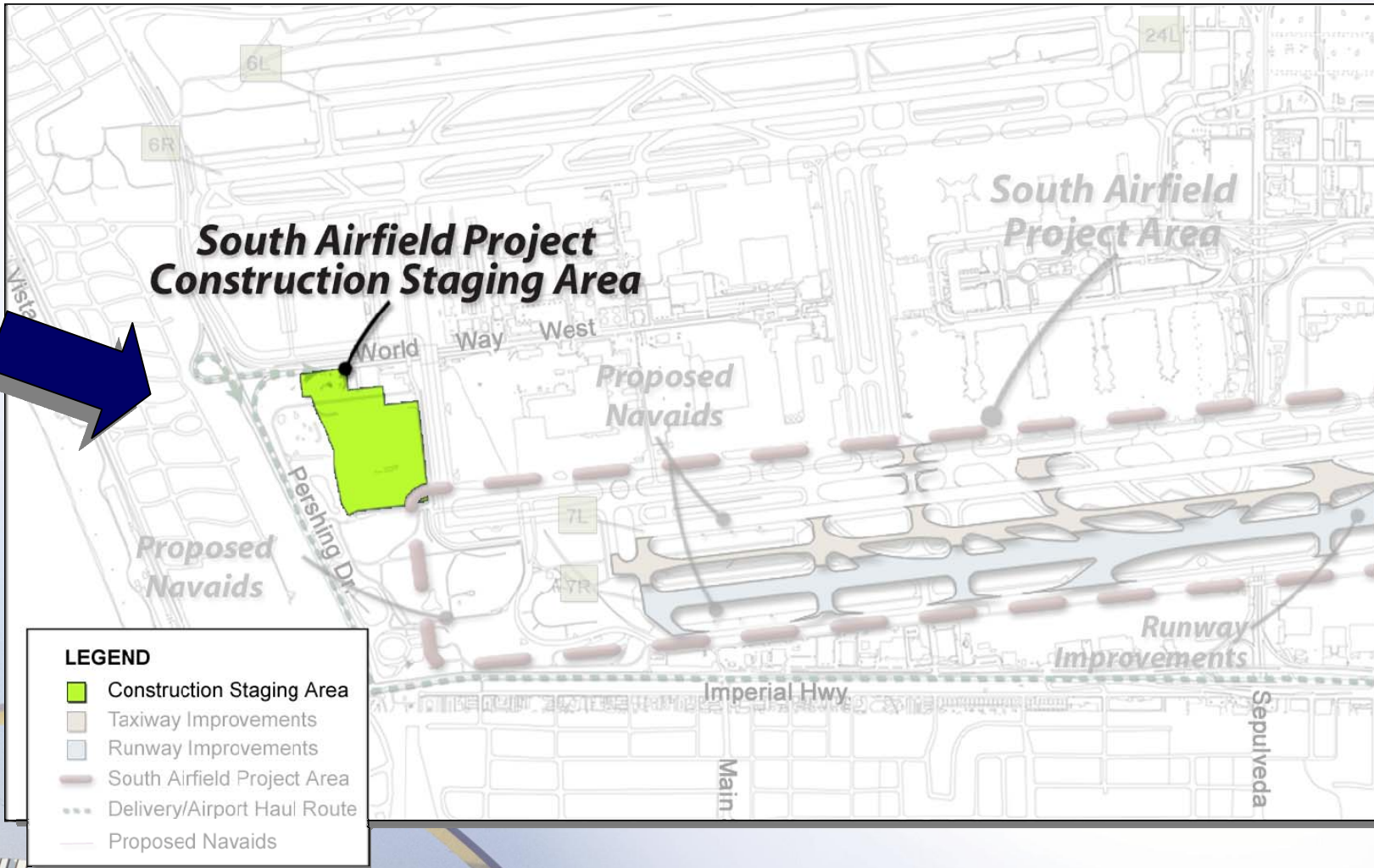


# Construction Noise Measures

- **Mandatory Construction Noise Control Plan (CNCP)**
  - **Locate staging areas and batch plant away from noise sensitive areas**



# Construction Noise – Staging Area



# Construction Noise Measures

- **Mandatory Construction Noise Control Plan (CNCP)**
  - **Monitoring construction noise levels at various locations in the City of El Segundo**



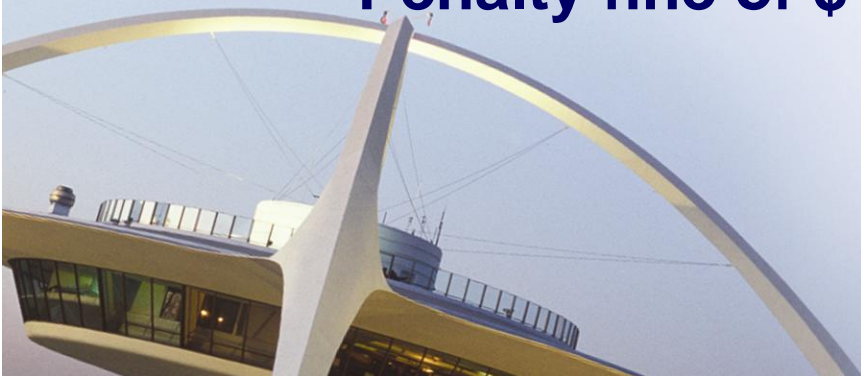
# Construction Noise – Sensitive Areas





# Construction Noise Measures

- **Mandatory Construction Noise Control Plan (CNCP)**
  - **Violations of the CNCP will subject the Contractor to corrective measures and penalty fines**
    - **Equipment Mufflers**
    - **Enclosures/Barriers**
    - **Rectify or replace noisy equipments**
    - **Penalty fine of \$1,000 per day per occurrence**



# Construction Traffic Measures

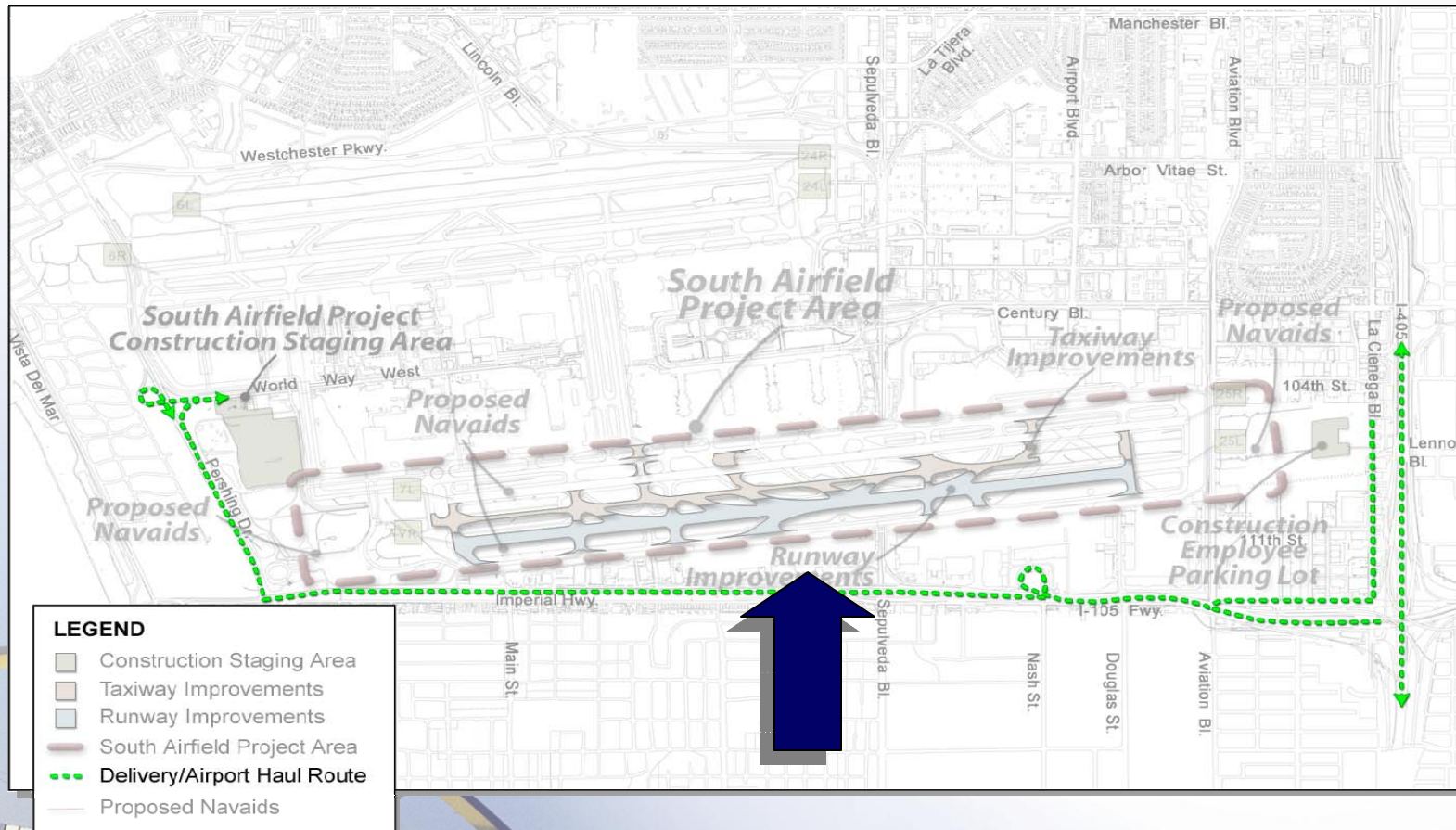
- **Mandatory Construction Traffic Management Plan.**
- **Additional Signage and Striping prior to construction**
- **Restrict Construction Delivery Times (avoid peak traffic periods of 7am-9am and 4:30pm-6:30pm)**
- **Construction employee shifts scheduled to avoid peak traffic periods.**
- **Construction employee parking offsite and shuttles to jobsite**

# Construction Traffic – Shuttle Bus



# Construction Traffic – Haul Routes

- Defined Haul Routes



# Contact Information for Public Comments

- **Dust Complaints – (310) 491-3100**

Active

- **Construction Noise – (866) 758-LAWA(5292)**

Will be activated on 7/28/06

- **Aircraft Noise - 310-646-9410 or 310-646-6473**

Active

- **Construction Traffic – (310) 417-2311**

Active

- **Website – [www.LAWA.org](http://www.LAWA.org)**

Click on “LAX” then

Click on “SAIP Construction” on left side of page

Site will be activated on 7/28/06



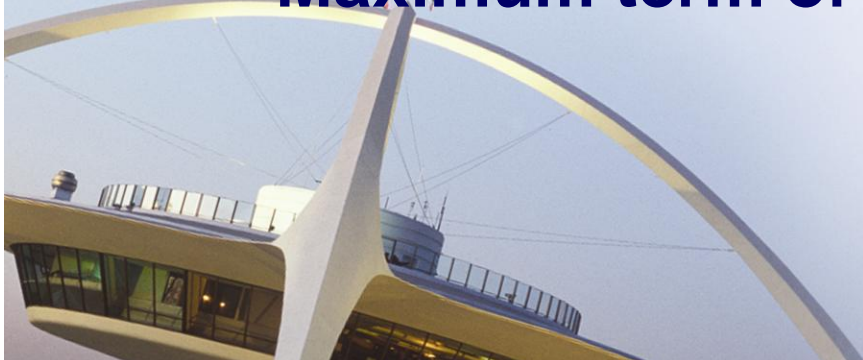
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# Airport Noise Standards

- **California Code of Regulations, Title 21, Subchapter 6**
  - **Noise Problem Airport**
  - **Standard metric for reporting: CNEL**
  - **Noise Impact Boundary: 65 dB CNEL noise contour**
  - **Noise Impact Area: Incompatible land uses within Noise Impact Boundary**
  - **Requires noise monitoring and submittal of quarterly reports**
  - **Variance requirements**

# State Noise Variance

- **Noise Problem airport required to apply for a Title 21 Variance to continue operating**
- **Process administered by State of California**
  - **Negotiation**
  - **Public Hearing**
    - **Legal procedure before Administrative Law Judge**
    - **Public represented by Intervenors**
  - **Maximum term of Variance is 3 years**





# State Noise Variance

## Current LAX Variance:

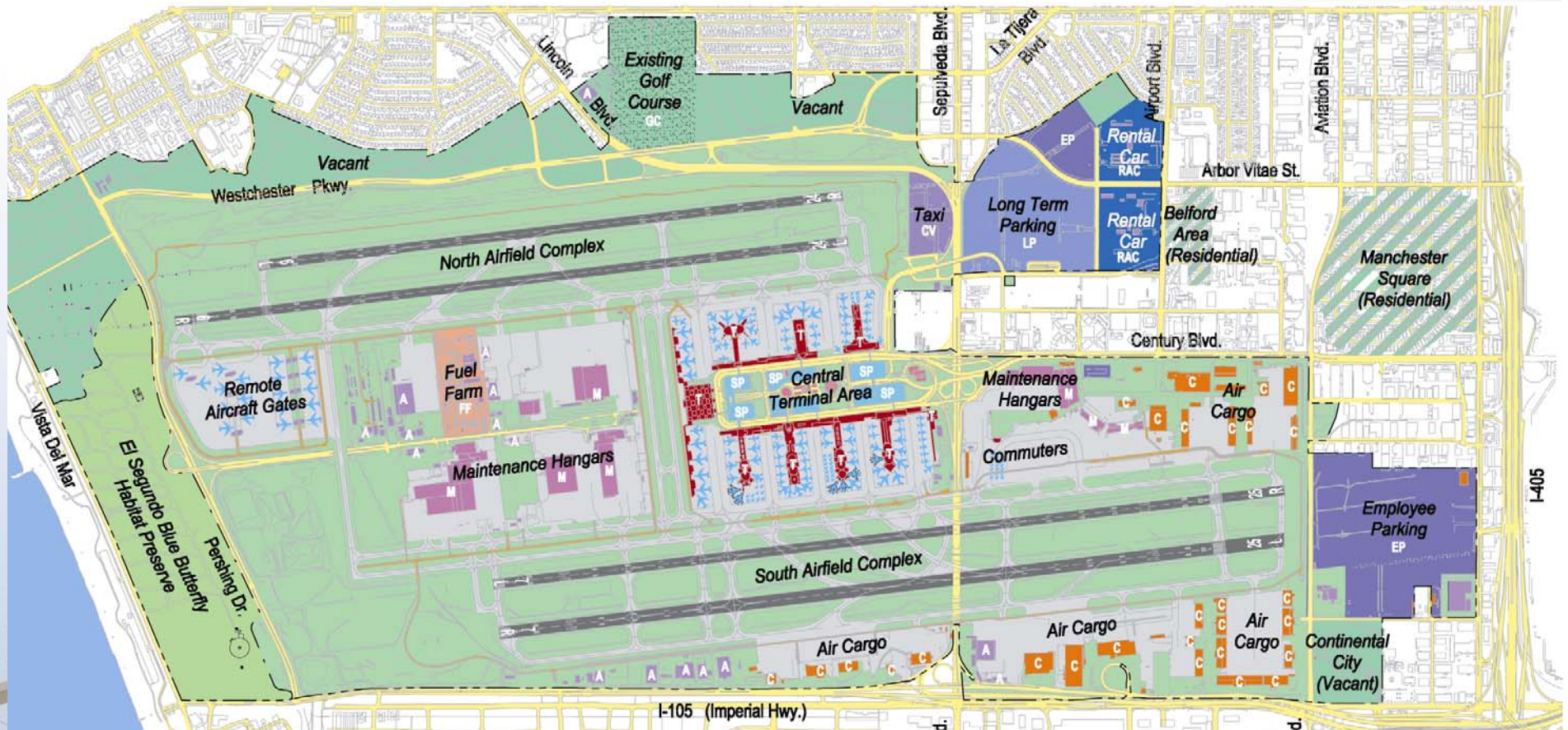
- **Stipulated Variance issued June 21, 2005**
- **LAWA agreed to the following:**
  - Report on progress of mitigation programs
  - Continue all existing noise abatement policies
  - Additional reports, including runway usage
  - Reports of enforcement actions related to maintenance curfew
  - Providing additional information re: A380 when available

# Glossary

- SPAS - Specific Plan Amendment Study**
- SAIP - South Airfield Improvement Program**
- MMRP - Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program**
- (CNCP) - Mandatory Construction Noise Control Plan**
- CNEL- Community Noise Equivalent Level**



# Existing Conditions



# Alternative D

