

What Experts and Community Leaders Say About the Proposed Modernization of LAX

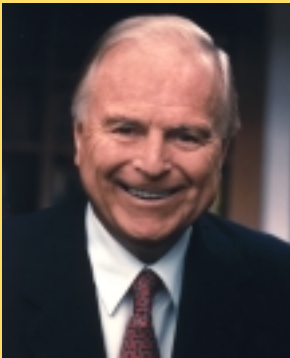


“. . . Los Angeles is the crossroads city of the global marketplace, a region of 17 million people who together exert a profound and positive influence on the economy and culture of the world. The key decisions have to do with our region’s infrastructure, which determines our ability to handle all the traffic, cargo and visitors. The LAX Master Plan is the most important infrastructure decision we face.”

— Jack Kyser, *Chief Economist*, L.A. County Economic Development Corp.

“We recognize that LAX has great economic importance and we want to see it continue to play a growing role as one of the most important trade centers in the world. The airport is too important to this region to allow it to be replaced by other, more distant destinations.”

— National Association of Minority Contractors of Southern California



“If Los Angeles ignores this opportunity, thousands of jobs will go elsewhere, tourists will go elsewhere, trade will go elsewhere. These are not options for the City of the 21st Century.”

— Richard Riordan, *Mayor of Los Angeles*

“LAX provides our businesses with the rapid access to the global marketplace they need to compete.”

— Foreign Trade Association



“By the year 2020, SCAG forecasts air travel in the region to double. We recognize that the aviation needs of the region can only be met through a safe, economically viable and balanced system of airports that serves the entire region.”

— Judy Mikels, *Chair of SCAG Aviation Task Force*, and Ventura County Supervisor

“Any regional air transportation growth plan must include modernization of LAX. Twenty years from now, LAX will handle less than 60% of the regional market’s needs, down from the current 75%, but it will remain the closest airport to the most people and businesses that travel or ship goods.”

— John J. Agoglia, *President*, LAWA Board of Airport Commissioners



“The Master Plan is designed to responsibly mitigate environmental, transportation and any other negative impacts on our airport neighbors and those throughout the region who use and depend upon LAX. That is our mission.”

— Lydia H. Kennard, *Executive Director*, Los Angeles World Airports