



Changes Underway at Sacramento International Airport

On October 15, 2004, Leonard Takayama presented the Sacramento International Airport Master Plan which includes terminal modernization and the integration of light rail to the airport. The Plan is intended to guide airport development over the next 20 years and contains airfield, passenger terminal, landside, access and circulation components. The goal of the Plan is to provide guidelines for future airport development to satisfy aviation demand in a financially feasible manner in addition to identifying and resolving associated aviation, environmental, and socioeconomic issues.

Based on the forecast demand, it is expected that demand will grow to over 16 million annual passengers by the year 2020. To accommodate the forecast activity, current Transportation Security Administration screening requirements, and level of customer service standards, the terminal building area needs to double in size.

David Melko from the Sacramento Regional Transit District described RT's Downtown Natomas Airport (DNA) Light Rail Extension Project. The RT Board has selected a Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) which integrates light rail transit along Truxel Road.

New Section Website

Thanks to Francis Odunlami, T.Y. Lin International/CCS, we now have a section website. Please visit the website at www.westernite.org/Sections/northernca/ for information regarding our section. If you have any content suggestions please contact Pelle Clarke at prc@dksassociates.com.

Meet Your Local Board Members

During the October meeting, Dalene Whitlock of Whitlock & Weinberger Transportation, Inc and District 6 Secretary-Treasurer swore in the elected 2004-2005 Board Members. Thanks Dalene! Please feel free to contact any of us regarding section activities.

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District 6 Annual Meeting

Save the date now for the 2005 meeting. Abstracts for the Technical Program are due by January 14, 2005.

2005 District 6 Annual Meeting
July 10 – 13, 2005
Kalispell, Montana

Visit www.westernite.org for more information.

Future Meetings

November 19, 2004 – Regular lunch meeting at Luau Garden. Rock Miller, District International Director, will give a presentation on the ITE Learning CD series including a demonstration of the CD software that is available. He will also give a general update on the status of ITE at the International and District levels.

December 16, 2004 – Annual Holiday Lunch with Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS). Leslie Rogers, Regional Administrator for the FTA will be our guest speaker.