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Airport Land Use Commission

2010/2011 Annual Report

Fresno County ALUC Statement of Purpose

The Fresno County Airport Land Use Commission was formed as required by State Law, which calls for the creation of airport land use commissions as first established under the California State Aeronautics Act (Public Utilities Code Section 21670, et seq.) in 1967. The fundamental purpose of an Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) is to promote land use compatibility around airports and is expressed in the statute as: "*... to protect public health, safety, and welfare by ensuring the orderly expansion of airports and the adoption of land use measures that minimize the public's exposure to excessive noise and safety hazards within areas around public airports to the extent that these areas are not already devoted to incompatible uses.*"

The statutes give ALUCs the following powers and duties, subject to limitations, by which to accommodate the following:

- Assist local agencies in ensuring compatible land uses in the vicinity of airports to the extent that land in the vicinity of the airport is not already devoted to incompatible uses.

- Coordinate planning at the state, regional and local levels, so as to provide for the orderly development of air transportation, while at the same time protect public health, safety and welfare.

- Prepare and adopt airport land use compatibility plans.

Fresno County ALUC Meetings Summary 2010-2011

Special Meeting Monday, January 04, 2010

1. Approve October 5, 2009 Action Summary

2. Scheduled Presentation

A. Fresno Yosemite International Airport Master Plan Update

3. Action/Discussion Items

AL-10-01 A. Agenda Item 3A: Review AL-10-01 to determine whether the proposed 94-acre site known as the Rockwell Pond Commercial Project is consistent with the Fresno County ALUCP for Selma Aerodrome.

4. Administrative Action/Discussion Items

A. 30 day review of 2010 Calendar.

Special Meeting Thursday, January 07, 2010

1. Approve January 4, 2010 Action Summary

2. Action/Discussion Items

A. Agenda Item 2A: AL-10-01 rehearing.

Regular Meeting Monday, June 07, 2010

1. Approve January 07, 2010 Special Meeting Action Summary

2. Action/Discussion Items

AL-10-02 A. Agenda Item 2 A: AL-10-02, Firebaugh Solar Power Generation Plant.

AL-10-03 B. Agenda Item 2 B: AL-10-03, City of Fresno Text amendment

AL-10-04 C. Agenda Item 2 C: AL-10-04, City of Selma general Plan Update.

3. Administrative Action/Discussion Items

A. Review and approval of ALUC roster and contact lists.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from Staff: Conflict of Interest instructions and Form 700 distributed.

Special Meeting Monday, July 12, 2010

1. Approve June 7, 2010 Special Meeting Action Summary

2. Action/Discussion Items

AL-10-05 A. Agenda Item 1A: AL-10-05, Review the draft update of the Fresno County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (CLUP) for Fresno Yosemite International (FYI) Airport and initiate a 45 day public review and comment process.

B. FYI Staff will be present to discuss the CLUP update.

Regular Meeting Monday, August 02, 2010

1. Approve July 12, 2010 Special Meeting Action Summary

2. Action/Discussion Items

A. Agenda Item 1A: AL-10-05, continued due to updating and review of CLUP

B. FYI Staff will be present to discuss the CLUP update, and edits that were Made, based on comments by the Commissioners at the special session, July 12, 2010.

Regular Meeting Monday, October 04, 2010

1. Approve August 02, 2010 Action Summary

2. Action/Discussion Items

AL-10-06 A. Agenda Item 1A: AL-10-06, ALUC Staff will present responses and resulting edits that occurred during the 45 day public review period of the draft update of the Fresno County Airport Compatibility Land Use Plan (CLUP) for Fresno Yosemite International (FYI) Airport. Also provided will be the distribution list of recipients of

the 45 day public review notice. In accordance with County of Fresno Policies and Procedures, staff recommends formal adoption of Fresno County ALUC Resolution 2010-01, upon Commissioner's approval of 45 day public review results of the FYI CLUP.

AL-10-07 B. Agenda Item 2B: AL-10-07, City of Fresno Text amendment TA 10-03, is a revision to the City's Urban growth Management program, being added to Chapter 12 of the City's Municipal Code, and therefore subject to ALUC review.

This item was originally an urgency item, but was added to the agenda by Commission approval. **ALUC Resolution 2010-01 FYI CLUP Adopted**

Special Meeting Monday, November 15, 2010

1. Action/Discussion Items

A. The adopted Fresno County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (CLUP) for Fresno Yosemite International (FYI) Airport and the existence of a new matter not considered by the Commission and which may have affected the decision of the Commission.

Special Meeting Monday, November 29, 2010

1. Action/Discussion Items

A. The adopted Fresno County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (CLUP) for Fresno Yosemite International (FYI) Airport and the speculated changes to the future noise footprint, based on the air National guard's anticipated formal announcement of the F-15 jet fighter mission and supporting factual data needed from the proposed Environmental Impact Study.

FYI Director Russ Widmar, Airports Planning Manager Kevin Meikle, CA ANG Public Relations, Officer John Crocker and Fresno ANG Commander Larry "Cal" McKoane were in attendance and addressed the Commissioner's concerns and questions.

Closed Session and Rehearing Tuesday, November 30, 2010

ALUC Resolution 2010-01 was not rescinded by a vote of 4-3.

1. Action/Discussion Items

A. Closed Session: Significant exposure to litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(b).). Chairman Feasel dismissed everyone except legal counsel and convened the closed session. Open session was reconvened at 3:53 p.m.

B. Rehearing of the prior adoption of the CLUP for FYI.

FYI CLUP was not rescinded

Regular Meeting Monday, December 06, 2010 – CANCELLED

Regular Meeting Monday February 07, 2011

1. Approve Action Summaries for October 04, 2010 Regular Meeting and November 15, 29 and 30, 2010 Special Meetings.
2. **Action/Discussion Items**
   A. Agenda Item 2A: AL-11-01, Firebaugh Grain Storage Facility.
   B. Agenda Item 2B: AL-11-02, Residential Development NEC Herndon & Valentine, City of Fresno.
   C. Agenda Item 2C: AL-11-03, City of Fresno Yosemite International Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan.
3. **Administrative Action/Discussion Items**
   A. Commission
      i. ALUC Chair/Vice-Chair Election.
      ii. Update on appointment of Commission vacancy.
   B. End of year report.
   C. 30 day review of 2011 Calendar.
   D. Presentation: NAS Lemoore AICUZ – Roman Benitez, Senior Planner.

4. **OTHER BUSINESS**
   A. Items from Staff: Items from Staff: Conflict of Interest instructions and Form 700 distributed.

Fresno County ALUC Selected Staff Activities 2010-2011

- A request by Commissioner Debbie Poochigian to dedicate the meeting of February 07, 2011, and commemorate the occasion with a Certificate of Appreciation honoring the life and service of ALUC member Chuck Wilson, whose untimely death on December 1, 2010, left a Commission Vacancy. The Certificate of Appreciation was sent to Mr. Wilson's wife, Patricia Wilson. A condolence card was also sent to Mrs. Wilson on behalf of the Commission.

- A change in Fresno County ALUC staffing in which, Clark Thompson, Senior Regional Planner, Fresno COG, has taken over Tom Webster's role. Laural Fawcett, Assistant Regional Planner, Fresno COG, continues to be the primary contact, and Toni Graham also provides support for the Commission.

- CalCOG, CalTrans Division of Aeronautics and Andrew Chesley, Executive Director of San Joaquin COG, were instrumental in forming the CALIFORNIA ALUC STATEWIDE TELECONFERENCE FORUM, which Fresno County ALUC staff is participating in. The last meeting occurred via teleconference on December 16, 2010, there have been several communications via email regarding further coordination of this forum. In addition to being an excellent forum for ALUC staffers to foster communication and share help or advice in addressing mutual issues, it will provide a more streamlined way for the CalTrans Division of Aeronautics to inform all California ALUCs of the upcoming

California Airport Land Use Handbook update, expected this year.

- The Commission vacancy was filled by a selection committee comprised of Fresno County Public Airport Managers, per California Public Utilities Code, Section 21001 et seq. relating to the State Aeronautics Act, Article 3.5. Airport Land Use Commission Creation; Membership; Selection.

  The new Commissioner is Robert S. Mason, a resident of Reedley, who brings his extensive aviation experience to the Commission.

  Mr. Mason's credentials include:

  - Boston University, BS Aeronautical Technology 1962
  - US Air Force, Travis AFB, Hickam Air Force Base (1962-1966)
  - Boeing Test Flight Engineer (1967-1970)
  - Crane Aerospace Flight Test Engineer (1970-2002)
  - Aerospace Consultant (2002 to Present)
  - Reedley Rotary President (2009-2011)
  - Experimental Aircraft Association
  - AOPA