



SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPOSAL FOR OUTGRANT TO LOS ANGELES WORLD AIRPORTS (LAWA) TO CONSTRUCT AN ORANGE LINE FLYAWAY BUS BAY

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
LOS ANGELES DISTRICT

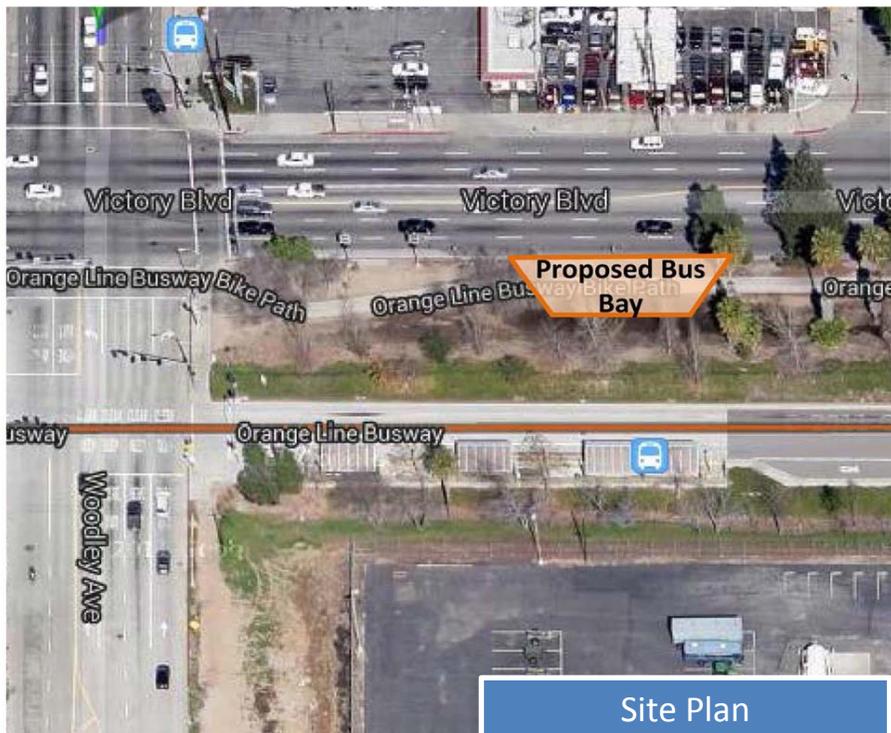
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Public Notice No. SPL-2014-CHB-16-Outgrant to LAWA to Construct Orange Line FlyAway Bus Bay

Comment Period: October 17, 2014 – November 17, 2014

Project Manager: Carvel Bass, Civil Works Branch, Asset Management Division – (213) 452-3392

Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), a proprietary department of Los Angeles City, is requesting approval for an outgrant from the U.S Army Corps of Engineers to construct a bus turnout lane (“Bus Bay”) for an Airport ‘FlyAway bus’ serving between Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and the San Fernando Valley. The proposed Bus Bay would be constructed on the south side of Victory Boulevard, east of Woodley Avenue. The Bus Bay would provide necessary roadway for a FlyAway bus to stop and pick up passengers without blocking any moving lane of traffic on this major east-west arterial road. Existing FlyAway buses serving the Van Nuys Airport (VNY) terminal would be used to serve this new FlyAway site. Including Woodley and Victory, the Orange Line has 10 stops. Below is the location of the proposed area:



The proposed action would also include the construction of sidewalks on the south side of Victory Boulevard, realignment of the existing bike path, and installation of a FlyAway bus shelter. It will also include the removal and mitigation replacement of one tree to occur on property currently leased for recreation by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to the City of Los Angeles' Recreation and Parks Department (RAP).

The location and design of the Bus Bay was selected after discussions with Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), Metro and LAWA's bus operator providing service to the Van Nuys FlyAway. This location has no impact to residents or businesses and allows Victory Boulevard to be widened to accommodate the loading of passengers and luggage onto a FlyAway bus without interference to eastbound traffic.

Proposed Bus Shelter Kiosk



Wildlife, listed species, and historic resources are not anticipated to be adversely impacted by construction activity. Listed species and their constituent Critical Habitat elements are not present at this location. The National Register of Historic Places designation does not apply at this area and no further coordination is needed with the State Historic Preservation Office.

Public Involvement

The Corps invites the general public to submit comments on potential environmental impacts that could result from implementation of the proposal. The public comment period on preparation of an EA and FONSI, for the proposal described above, will extend from October 17 - November 17, 2014, and the Corps will consider all submissions received on or postmarked by November 17, 2014. Please direct emailed or written comments to Carvel Bass, at carvel.h.bass@usace.army.mil or at 915 Wilshire Boulevard, Ste. 11098, Los Angeles, CA, 90017. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Carvel Bass, Ecologist, Asset Management Division, US Army Corps of Engineers, at (213) 452-3392.

The Corps will actively consider any comments timely received. The results of this consideration would be reflected in a memorandum for record placed in the Administrative Record, unless

consideration of the comments was reflected directly in the EA, either through a modification of the document prompted by the comments or an appendix to the EA articulating responses to the comments. If significant effects to the quality of the human environment have been identified and cannot be mitigated to a less than significant level, the Corps will initiate preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement and afford the public opportunities to participate in the environmental review process.

Following the 30-day comment period, once the EA is finalized and if a FONSI is determined to be appropriate based upon the analysis contained in the EA, then a notification which contains the Final EA and FONSI will be provided for their information to concerned agencies, organizations and to the interested public.