

On The Horizon

Southwest Oregon Regional Airport

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Welcome to On The Horizon, Southwest Oregon Regional Airport's newsletter. Our goal is to keep you up-to-date on airport activities, get to know our tenants better, and tell you more about airport operations. We appreciate any suggestions you may have regarding stories, updates, or questions we can answer for you. Feel free to reach out...David (david@flyoth.com)

Daily SFO and DEN Flights Return to OTH



As summer approaches, we are excited to announce the return of our daily SkyWest flights to San Francisco and seasonal flights to Denver. Daily flights between SFO and OTH will begin on May 4th. The Denver route begins on May 8th, a full month earlier than last year, and will run through September 28th. The Denver flights are scheduled to take place on Wednesdays and Sundays.



Additionally, the larger and more comfortable Embraer ERJ-175 will be making its return to North Bend. The ERJ-175 holds up to 76 passengers, compared to the CRJ-200's 50 seats, and provides a first-class cabin as well! This aircraft will service the Denver route, some San Francisco flights in May, and all San Francisco flights from June throughout the rest of the season. This schedule is subject to change. The Denver International hub allows locals to reach a much

broader choice of destinations and help connect Oregonians to the East Coast. Book your tickets now!

SkyWest is currently hiring for two positions: Part Time Year-Round Ticket/Ramp Agent and Seasonal Ramp Agent (May-September). Flight benefits are included. Starting pay is \$14/hour. Must be 18+ with a valid ID. Visit [Skywest.com/careers](https://www.skywest.com/careers) or contact the General Manager, Angie Shaubach, at 541-756-3807 or by email angie.shaubach@skywest.com.

Ramp Expansion Will Lead to Future Developments

Recently, the airport has been removing older buildings that have outlived their useful life in order to make way for future developments. By the end of this year, three more buildings will be removed on the southern edge of the main ramp. This will allow for the extension of the airport's perimeter fence line. More apron

space will give options for future developments and other possible aviation related buildings. As mentioned in a previous newsletter, one exciting new development will be the addition of the BETA eVTOL charging station, which is planned for this summer. Beta Technologies and their Electric Vertical Take-off and Landing (eVTOL) aircraft is an electrically powered vehicle, able to cruise at 170 MPH, have a range of 250 miles, and be charged in about 50 minutes. OTH is one of the charging stations planned for the Pacific Northwest network.



To help pay for the expansion of the ramp, Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants will be used. AIPs are an FAA program



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aimed at funding various airport infrastructure projects. Many airports around the country rely on these types funds to help strengthen and grow their airport. At OTH, the ramp expansion project is currently at the 90% design phase. This means bids will be going out and are scheduled

to break ground by the end of the summer. Additionally, general aviation at OTH has been growing rapidly over the years. As nationwide air travel picks up, general aviation is expected to grow as well. Other possible structures that may develop in the future include large and small hangars, office spaces, a cargo hub, and a maintenance shop.

Mass Casualty Training Exercise

Every 3 years, airports that provide commercial air service, known as FAA Part 139 operations, must host an in-person mass casualty training exercise. This event simulates a large commercial airliner accident and how the airport/surrounding agencies respond to the event. Various tactics and techniques are practiced and

evaluated. Some of the important aspects of this scenario include how airport firefighters initially respond to the scene, how North Bend first responders triage victims, the process of airport operations securing the airfield, how the various agencies initiate call backs, how SkyWest handles their responsibilities, communication between the Incident Commander, ground crews, and North Bend dispatch, and how crews accurately track victims being transported off the airfield. If such an event ever occurs, it would be a very dynamic scene with many agencies responding.



Being able to practice the situation and having a thorough debriefing afterwards allows everyone involved to be on the same page. Thank you to all participating agencies: Charleston Fire, Coos Bay Fire, North Bend Fire, North Bend Police, OTH Air Traffic Control Tower, SkyWest Airlines, Southwest Oregon Regional Airport, and the Transportation Security Administration.



Did you know JFK visited OTH in the late 1950s? Interested to see how the airfield looked 80 years ago? Be sure to stop by the terminal and check out the new cabinet display showing various historical pictures of Southwest Oregon Regional Airport!

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