



El Paso International Airport EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN

El Paso International Airport (ELP) has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Alexander Rao, Airport Operations Manager, at RaoAS@elpasotexas.gov. ELP is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a commercial airport or (2) this airport may be used by an air carrier described in USC 42301(a)(1) for diversions.

This plan describes how, following excessive tarmac delays and to the extent practicable, El Paso International Airport will:

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
- Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport; and
- Provide a sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs & Border Protection (CBP).

Airport Information

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Airport Category: Small Hub

Contact Information

In the event of diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact the Airport Operations Supervisor on duty at 915-212-0333 for assistance.

Plan to Provide for the Deplanement of Passengers Following Excessive Tarmac Delays

The El Paso International Airport has ramp space to accommodate diverted aircraft and has the ability to transport passengers via shuttle bus to the terminal facility. The airport does not own or operate any of the equipment needed to safely deplane

passengers from air carrier aircraft and is, therefore, unable on its own to provide for the deplanement of passengers. Additionally airport personnel are not trained to assist in the deplanement of passengers using equipment owned or operated by air carriers or contract service providers. The airport will provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed base operators and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the contact number listed above.

Plan to Provide for the Sharing of Facilities and Make Gates Available in an Emergency

The gates at El Paso International Airport are under preferential assignment to air carriers and are not fully controlled by the airport. During those time periods when the tenant's usage of that gate meets the usage specified in the Airline Operating Agreement and Terminal Building Lease, the airport may be able to direct a tenant airline to accommodate another air carrier aircraft at its preferentially assigned gate. The airport will direct its tenant air carriers to make gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate during those time periods the gates are not in use or not scheduled to be in use, to the maximum extent practicable.

Plan to Provide a Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection

El Paso International Airport has a defined sterile area capable of accommodating limited numbers of international passengers. The airport will coordinate with local Customs and Border Protection officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not cleared United States Customs and Border Protection to be deplaned into the processing area to the extent practicable.

Public Access Emergency Contingency Plan

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