



Aviation

The Aviation Committee works to promote a world-class aviation network in Southern California, anchored by Los Angeles International Airport (LAX). The committee promotes the modernization of LAX and the development of an integrated regional airport network. Top priorities also include safety and security for all air travelers; opposing aircraft and flight restrictions at local airports; and promoting a better understanding of aviation's role as a significant economic engine for the region.

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Be a driving force to revitalize LAX

The Chamber led the business community to work with leadership at Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and the L.A. City Council, breaking the logjam of opposition and to move the process of revitalizing LAX forward. The Chamber will continue to advocate locally to ensure that LAX is a world-class airport.

Provide increased funding for airport improvements in FAA Reauthorization

Los Angeles is in the process of modernizing facilities and building new infrastructure to revitalize its international airport. Congress must ensure adequate funding for the modernization process at LAX through the FAA Reauthorization and allow LAX to collect passenger facility charges as a pilot project to complete capitol improvements.

Urge federal lawmakers to continue funding aerospace manufacturing

Southern California provides critical aerospace manufacturing capacity for the U.S. military, including major manufacturers Boeing and Northrop Grumman. Local production provides stimulus for dozens of other states. The Chamber supports ordering locally-produced equipment for U.S. military operations.

Avoid bans on general aviation at local airports

The Van Nuys Airport is the busiest general aviation airport in the U.S. and is important for business travel through out the world. Additionally, Burbank Airport provides vital service to Southern California's traveling public. Local efforts to bans jets and operation times at Van Nuys and Burbank would hurt the business climate and job creation in the region. The Chamber will fight efforts to additionally restrict aircraft and travel times.

Advocate for the separation of the North runway at LAX

The north runways of LAX continue to be a risk to the air-traveling public. The introduction of a new generation of broad-winged, fuel-efficient aircraft require more runway space, providing an even stronger reason to move the runways. The Chamber will work with LAWA and the L.A. City Council to ensure the safety of air travel in Los Angeles.

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