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BTR Rotunda Expansion and Terminal Renovation Project Nears Completion

BTR’s new rotunda has opened, offering a spacious waiting area for passengers that includes a floor-to-ceiling glass wall that overlooks the ramp area and runways beyond. New seating includes a power outlet at each seat. The TSA checkpoint has been re-located to the new rotunda, which will allow room for future expansion.

The original rotunda now serves as a comfortable arrival court on the pre-security side where unticketed guests may wait on arriving passengers. The arrival court also has new restrooms and a vending area with snacks and drinks.

Work has begun on the restaurant renovation, after which the new WOW Cafe & Wingery and PJ’s Coffee will open. The upstairs, secure-side restaurant renovations are expected to be complete by the end of June. (BTR Newsletter)

Asset II Briefing Held at IER

On June 16, a meeting was held at Natchitoches Regional Airport for those airports that are “Unclassified” according to “General Aviation Airports: A National Asset (ASSET 1)” and “ASSET 2: In-Depth Review of 497 Unclassified Airports.” Aviation Director Brad Brant briefed the airports on both publications and outlined the reasons for the “unclassified” status. Of all of our public-owned/public-use airports in the state, eight of them do not fall into the National, Regional, Local, or Basic categories as defined by ASSET 1 and ASSET 2, and are thus “Unclassified.” These airports will remain in the National Plan of Integrated Airport System, but may not be eligible for non-primary entitlement federal funding until they become categorized.

2014 Aviation Art Contest Winners

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) is pleased to announce the winners of the 2014 Louisiana Aviation Art Contest sponsored by the Aviation Section. The theme for this year’s contest was “Flying Saves Lives!”

Students, ages 6-17, were encouraged to create artwork based on the use of this year’s theme in relation to the aviation world. Participants were also encouraged to visit and learn more about their local airports by visiting our website and locating the airport nearest to where they live. The intent of the contest is to encourage young people from throughout Louisiana to become more familiar with and participate in aeronautics, engineering, and science. The art contest supplies a way for young adults to become familiar with aviation and the unlimited career opportunities offered in the industry.

The winners of this year’s art contest are as follows:

Category I (Ages 6-7)—1st Place-Raylynn Cockerham of Northeast Elementary School
2nd Place-Caroline Bailey of Victory Christian Academy
3rd Place-Kyler Dupuy of St. John Primary

Category II (Ages 8-9)—1st Place-Cooper Ancale of St. John Primary
2nd Place—Cameron Sheehan of St. Theresa Middle
3rd Place—Audrey Soulier of St. John Primary

Category III (Ages 10-11)—1st Place—Karli Leger of Grand Lake
2nd Place—Martin Bustos of Chateau Estates
3rd Place—Bryson Tabor of Bayou Bouef

Category IV (Ages 12-13)—1st Place—Benjamin LeBoeuf of St. Theresa Middle
2nd Place—Zachary Browning of St. Theresa Middle
3rd Place—Augie Chopin of St. Theresa Middle

Category V (Ages 14-15)—1st Place—Connor Daigle of Church Point High School
2nd Place—Andrew Jenkins of Franklinton High School
3rd Place—Logan Marks of Church Point High School

Category VI (Ages 16-17)—1st Place—Kalyn Bazell of Franklinton High School
2nd Place—Zac Estrada of Franklinton High School
3rd Place—Alexis Hallinan of Bogalusa High School

Each year, completed artwork must be submitted to the DOTD Aviation Section to be judged for its creative use of the year’s theme in relation to Louisiana aviation events. Local and state aviation officials then select three winners per age category, resulting in a total of eighteen winners. Winners receive aviation-related prizes donated by the following aviation associations.

1. Louisiana Airport Managers and Associates (LAMA) has donated prizes such as iPods, model airplanes, and remote control airplanes.

2. Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) has donated prizes such as free website training sessions, hats, and books.

3. Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) has donated introductory flights for children ages 7-18 through a national program called the Young Eagles Program. The introductory flights are awarded to first place winners in each category. Through the contest, DOTD facilitates communication between the winners and the local pilots of each EAA chapter closest to where the winner lives.

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) is committed to delivering transportation and public works systems that embrace the quality of life. In addition to more than 16,600 miles of roadway, including over 890 miles of interstate, DOTD supports the development of the state’s aviation, marine and rail infrastructures. Through this work, we are able to facilitate economic development, create job opportunities, improve vital evacuation routes, and make critical freight corridors safer and more efficient.

For more information, please visit www.dotd.la.gov, email dotd@la.gov or call DOTD’s Customer Service Center at (225) 379-1232 or 1-877-4LADOTD (1-877-452-3683). Business hours are 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Motorists can access up-to-date travel information by dialing 511 or by visiting www.511la.org. Out-of-state travelers can call 1-888-ROAD-511 (1-888-762-3511).
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2014-2015 Program Budget Approved, 2015-2016 Program Guidance

The budget for the 2014-2015 Airport Construction and Development Priority Program has been approved. Once we receive spending authority, reimbursement requests can be processed for payment for those grants which ATF (Aviation Trust Fund) monies have been utilized.

Draft Capital Improvement Plans (CIPs) for the 2015-2016 program are due August 1, 2014. Once the draft CIP has been received, our program management team will work closely with each airport to finalize your CIP, which is due no later than November 1, 2014. Please note that the Aviation Section will host a CIP workshop in September; stay tuned for details. In the meantime, please refer to the timeline below:

- July 1 – DOTD Sends Guidance Letter to Airports
- August 1 – “DRAFT” CIPs submitted to DOTD for review
- Late August – DOTD Conducts Regional Planning Sessions
- Late September – DOTD Conducts CIP Workshop
- November 1 – Project Applications with Resolutions due to DOTD

The deadline for submitting your project application with a resolution for project prioritization to the Department of Transportation and Development, Aviation Section is November 1, 2013.

Thank you for your continued support of the Airport Construction and Development Priority Program. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact our office at (225) 379-3050 or contact your state Program Manager.
Ninety-Nines International Conference

The 2014 International Conference of The Ninety-Nines will convene in New Orleans during the second week of July. An estimated number of 300 women pilots are expected to be in attendance. - The Ninety-Nines, Inc. International Organization of Women Pilots, promotes advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.

Established in 1929 by 99 women pilots, Ninety-Nines members are represented in all areas of aviation today and, to quote Amelia Earhart, fly "for the fun of it!" Our international membership includes over 4,700 General Aviation, Corporate, Commercial, and Military Pilots. We all have a passion for aviation and The 99s organization.

The Ninety-Nines are inviting all airmen with a current medical certificate wanting to experience the Hypoxia PROTE chamber to come to the exhibit area Astor Crowne Plaza 739 Canal Street at Bourbon, in the St. Charles Ballroom and participate in this free training experience. Details can be found at http://www.faasafety.gov/

Provided by the Civil Aerospace Medical Institute (CAMI) along with the FAA Safety Team formal training will include high altitude physiology, aerodynamics and meteorology. At the conclusion of the classroom session, you will be given the opportunity to discover your hypoxia symptoms first hand in CAMI's portable altitude training system. After all is done, you will be able to leave with an endorsement for having completed the required ground training for operating high altitude aircraft. Airmen must present a current medical certificate before entering the Chamber.

Airmen who would like the opportunity to discover your hypoxia symptoms first hand in CAMI’s portable altitude training system without the FAA requirement CFR Part 61 endorsement for attending the classroom training need not pre-register. The PROTE experience will be offered in the St. Charles Ballroom during the following Exhibit Times. Other exhibitors will include Continental Motors, Piedmont Airlines, Pilots for Patients, Southwings, Abington Watches and LA DOTD Aviation.

Wednesday July 9, 2014, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Thursday July 10, 2014, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Friday July 11, 2014, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Saturday July 12, 2014, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm