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June 4, 2004

Mr. Peter Drinkwater
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Gillespie Field Airport
"Draft" Airport Layout Plan Review

Dear Mr. Drinkwater:

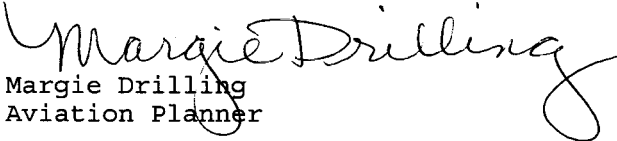
We have completed our agency coordination and review of the updated "Draft Airport Layout Plans (ALP)" for Gillespie Field Airport, in response to your letter dated May 6, 2004. Final approval of the plan is subject to incorporation of the enclosed comments.

In response to your request for consideration on adding a note onto the ALP which would assist the county in addressing concerns expressed by some of your fixed based operators with respect to the depicted "building restriction line", I make reference to our Advisory Circular guideline 150/5300-13, Airport Design, Change 7, Chapter 2, Section 210 entitled "Building Restriction Line" (BRL) whereby it states that a building restriction line identifies "suitable" building area locations based on a number of listed criteria. The area beyond the BRL is an aircraft movement area and not one suitable for any structural facilities. The functionality of the area, which you've described as that "portion of the BRL southwest of the runway intersections", would be impacted in addition to compromising safe movement of aircraft by operators who would not be able to see around any structure. Nighttime operations would only raise the level of safety. An apron area with several noted tie-downs is currently being depicted on the drawing, which currently meets FAA on-airport land use design guidelines. Future structures constructed beyond the BRL, within the apron area, does not meet current design standards, therefore, your request is denied for use of the proposed additional note. Additionally, the Narrative Report does not identify, describe nor provide any such justification or reasoning behind such a request.

Please provide this office with a minimum of four (4) signed copies of the final ALP. One approved copy will be returned to the county for your records along with a copy to be forwarded to the California Department of Transportation, Aeronautics Division (CALTRANS). Our office will retain the remaining two copies for our files. Should the County wish additional signed copies, please provide them along with those we've requested.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the comments, please feel free to contact me at (310) 725-3628.

Sincerely,


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Supervisor, Standards Section

Enclosure

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