

GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Wednesday May 21, 2026

AGENDA ITEM #10B

Re-Open and Maintain Agua Caliente

Background - The closure of any airport within the County of San Diego Airport System has a detrimental effect on Gillespie Field and Gillespie's Aviation Community. The GFDC is obligated to provide justification and a motion to support the re-opening and continued support of Agua Caliente Airport.

Motion item:

Gillespie Field Development Council recommends that the County Board of Supervisors approve the complete reconstruction of Agua Caliente Airport Runway, Aircraft Run-up area and Aircraft Parking areas.

Gillespie Field Development Council further recommends continued and improved support, repairs, improvements and maintenance of Agua Caliente Airport using Agua Caliente County Park surplus funds and using the AEF as necessary to make up for any Airport funding shortfalls. GFDC further recommends that at the end of the current Agreement with California Parks the Agreement be renewed for the same content and length of time.

Gillespie Field Development Council Recommends a management system be created to ensure Park fees at the Agua Caliente County Park are reasonable to aid in funding both the Park and Airport while keeping the Park fees affordable.