

## **UNIVERSITY PARK AIRPORT EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN**

University Park Airport (UNV) 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 Bryan Rodgers at [bqr3@psu.edu](mailto:bqr3@psu.edu). UNV is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a commercial airport and (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, University Park 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).

UNV has facility constraints that limit our ability to accommodate diverted flights or maintain the airport's safe operation and strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact the airport at (814) 865-4042 for prior coordination of diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. While this notification does not force the air carrier to take any further action at the time of notification, it allows UNV staff time to prepare for a future request for assistance or support from the air carriers. The notification also allows UNV to provide up-to-date and current information to passengers and the flying public.

Specific facility constraints include the following:

- Lack of international passenger processing facilities
- Lack of equipment to deplane passengers from aircraft with a door sill height greater than 150 inches.

### **Airport Information**

Name of Airport: University Park Airport

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Airport Category: Non Hub

## **Contact Information**

In the event of diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact Airport Operations Office/FBO at (814) 865-4042 for assistance. If necessary, Airport Operations/FBO may also be reached at (814) 880-7258 in an after-hours event.

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

UNV is the FBO operator. As such UNV has limited equipment and personnel needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. We will utilize this equipment to deplane passengers as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines at the contact number listed above. We will also facilitate communication with airlines, ground handlers and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers on behalf of airlines that have incurred excessive tarmac delays 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 UNV are all common use gates and are controlled by the airport.

UNV uses ground boarding at all gates rather than passenger boarding bridges which facilitates the sharing of gate facilities. An exhibit titled *Airline Terminal Apron* is provided to demonstrate the typical common use parking locations on the air carrier apron in relation to the airfield and the terminal building.

We will direct our common use air carrier users to make gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate to the maximum extent practicable.

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

UNV does not have international passenger processing facilities. We have initiated communication with local Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and law enforcement officials to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted aircraft who have not yet cleared US Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned.

We contacted CBP Port Director Michelle Stover at the Port of Harrisburg on May 3, 2012 by email to begin the discussion of temporary sterile area requirements. We intend to submit a draft sterile area plan to CBP once these efforts are complete.

## **Public Access to the Emergency Contingency Plan**

University Park Airport will provide public access to its emergency contingency plan through all of the following means:

- Posting in a conspicuous location on the airport's website.
- Copies available, upon request, from the Airport Director's office.

## **Important Phone Numbers**

Airport Director: (814) 865-5511

After Hours: (814) 865-4042 or (814) 880-7258

Airport Traffic Control Tower: (814) 865-1941 (6:00 am - 10:00 pm daily)

Custom and Border Protection: (717) 691-7136

Transportation Security Administration (TSA): (717) 327-7494 (primary)

TSA MDT Coordination Center: (717) 902-1810 (secondary – available 4:00 am – 8:30 pm)

Centre County Airport Authority: (814) 237-2011

Airlines: American Airlines (814) 237-2327

Delta (814) 237-9730

United (814) 237-2088