

General William J. Fox Airfield



Located in the City of Lancaster, General Wm. J. Fox Airfield facilitated over 61,000 general aviation aircraft takeoffs and landings during 2024. The airport is home to just under 200 based aircraft, the U.S. Department of Forestry's air tanker base, and numerous aviation businesses. With an Air Traffic Control Tower operating daily, state-of-the-art navigational aids, and weather reporting equipment, the airport safely and efficiently accommodates a wide range of fixed-wing and rotary-wing aircraft ranging from small two-seat, single-engine propeller aircraft to much larger and higher capacity jet or turbo-prop aircraft.

Owned and operated by the County of Los Angeles, the airport is self-sufficient. All income generated by the County at the airport is reinvested back into the airport or the County's system of airports.

In 2020, the County completed a \$14 million project to reconstruct the pavements for the runway and taxiways, which included new markings, LED lighting, and signage. In 2017, the County completed a \$2.6 million project to construct a new concrete exit taxiway for Runway 06. The majority of funding for capital projects comes from Federal Airport Improvement Program grants or State grants from the California Department of Transportation Division of Aeronautics. Additional funding for capital and other projects comes from the County's Aviation Enterprise Fund.

Overall, the airport plays a vital role in the nation's integrated system of airports and is a valuable asset to the local communities, serving the diverse constituents of the City of Lancaster, the City of Palmdale, the Antelope Valley and the broader County of Los Angeles.



General William J. Fox Airfield
4555 West Avenue "G"
Lancaster, California 93536

Serving General Aviation and the Antelope Valley since 1959

COMMUNITY BENEFITS:

General Aviation Products, Services, and Facilities

- * Business / Corporate Travel
- * Aircraft Charter / Air Taxi
- * Flight Training & Personal Flying (Recreation and Training)
- * Utility/Pipeline Patrol & Inspection
- * Aerial Surveying & Observation
- * Aircraft Storage
- * Aviation Businesses (Aircraft Fueling, Maintenance/Repair, and Rental, Sale of Parts and Supplies, etc.)

Emergency Preparedness & Response

- * Aerial Fire Fighting Support (U.S. Department of Forestry, L.A. County Fire and other support agencies including the California Air National Guard C-130 Hercules aircraft)
- * Law Enforcement / National Security
- * Disaster Relief / Search & Rescue

Community Services & Facilities

- * Aeromedical / Air Ambulance Flights
- * News, Weather & Traffic Reporting
- * Events (Annual Air Fair, Airport Tours, etc.)
- * Youth Organizations / Educational Programs
- * Restaurant, Aircraft Viewing Area and Meeting Facilities
- * Aeronautical Museum

Destination & Special Events

- * Will host the two-day Los Angeles County Air Show on March 21/22, 2015 featuring the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds (over 103,000 people attended the 2014 event).
- * Antelope Valley Fairgrounds (4 mi.), NASA Dryden Flight Research Center and U.S. Air Force Flight Test Installation—Plant 42 (15 mi.)

Employment

- * The airport directly supports approximately 115 jobs. Accounting for the multiplier effect, the airport creates roughly 158 jobs, with associated labor income of nearly \$6.8 million annually.

Economic Impact

- * The airport and the surrounding communities benefit from the estimated \$14 million in total airport-related (direct, indirect and induced) spending each year.

(General Aviation includes all civilian flying exclusive of scheduled passenger airlines and military.)

