



Petaluma Airport

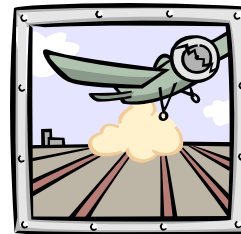
Airport Improvement Program

The Airport Improvement Program (AIP), sponsored by the FAA, provides grants for the planning and development of the Airport. This year, as part of the program, runway identification end lights were installed in August 2007, and an update of the Airport Layout Plan was also completed. Both of these projects have been reimbursed by the FAA.

Future improvements will include fencing at the southeast corner of the field, to begin in November, and around the wash rack area, to begin after the three underground storage tanks are removed next spring.

AIP application for fiscal year 09/10, to be submitted in November, will focus on the purchase and installation of an Automated Weather Observation Station (AWOS III). The AWOS will measure, collect and broadcast weather data to allow pilots to monitor weather, plan flight routes and provide necessary information for correct takeoffs and landings.

Acceptance of application for AIP-19 is expected in June 2009. Grants from the State and the FAA will cover approximately 97% of the project.



Storm Water Protocol

As an industry, the Airport is required by the Federal Government, to adhere to storm water procedures. When working on aircraft, provisions must be made to prevent any fluids from flowing into the storm water system. No detergents, de-greasers, oils, paints, solvents or fuel are allowed

into the storm drain system. The Airport is continually monitored to insure compliance with all storm water regulations. Although we have passed recent inspections, the following are items that need monitoring and improvement:

- ◆ Hoses cannot be placed next to a storm drain.
- ◆ Areas where oil may accumulate from autos must be kept clean.

In order to avoid fines, we ask everyone to be aware of these issues.



Notice:

Those pilots who have the new Chevron credit card with 16 digits will be able to use them in the fast pay reader by mid-November. Until that time, the card must be processed in the Airport office.



There is a leak at the wash rack. To conserve water, the backflow valve should remain off when not in use. Before washing your plane, turn on the backflow valve located in the box behind the mailbox. Upon leaving, please remember to turn it off.

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