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Connecting Florida to the World...

is the theme of the 48th Annual Conference. It's a reflection of our state's growing influence in global air travel and trade. Conference hosts, Miami Dade Aviation Department and Key West International Airport, have scheduled an exciting and engaging lineup of speakers who will discuss global, domestic and statewide issues.

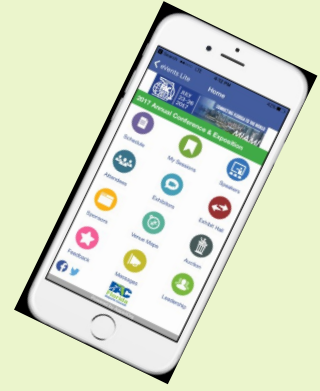
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If you want to join us on social media before, you can set up your account at www.twitter.com. If you would like for MIA to take you step by step through the process, they recommend that you download the app to your smartphone before arriving at the conference if possible. If you download the app at the conference, please have your App Store or Google Play log-in information and password handy to make the process a little smoother. When you sign up, don't forget to send us a shout out and use the hashtag #MiamiFAC to join the FAC conversation.

Get Ready for a Great Conference!

AROUND THE STATE

FAA gives third warning to Palm Beach on LNA jet ban (Source: AINonline.com)

The FAA is continuing to press Palm Beach County to lift its ban on small jets at Palm Beach County Park Airport (LNA) in Lantana, giving the county one more month to comply. In a July 7 letter to county counsel, FAA airport compliance specialist Deandra Brooks warned that if the county fails to respond to its request on the jet ban by August 7, then her office will recommend a full investigation for compliance under Part 16. "A formal determination of noncompliance may result in the FAA withholding grants issued under the Airport Improvement Program," Brooks said.



The letter was the third request from the FAA for the county to alter its restrictions on the longstanding ban on jets at LNA. The FAA submitted the initial request on March 17. That request followed an informal study and determination that permitting jet aircraft operations on Runway 9/27 would not affect safety or efficiency at LNA or surrounding airports. The agency requested that the county update its information to reflect the finding.

After finding the county had not yet taken action, the agency sent a second request for corrective action on May 26, asking the county to update its information by June 26. "To date, it does not appear the county has completed this corrective action," Brooks noted in the most recent letter. The county had responded after the first request that the FAA's finding did not constitute a formal or final order and was not a formal directive. In regards to the FAA's latest request, the county told AIN, "We are working with the FAA on a response."

Enterprise Florida, DEO seek proposals for \$85M job growth fund

Gov. Rick Scott announced on July 12 that Enterprise Florida and the Department of Economic Opportunity now are accepting project proposals for the state's new \$85 million Job Growth Grant Fund.



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Economic development projects that enhance community infrastructure or develop workforce training programs are eligible to receive funding, according to the governor's office. In the release, Scott stated: "With more than 1.37 million jobs created across our state since December 2010 and the lowest unemployment rate in nearly 10 years, it is clear that Florida's economy has experienced incredible growth. However, we are competing against other states and countries for new jobs, and we must aggressively fight to make Florida the best destination for business."

The economic development program will promote public infrastructure and individual job training. The DEO will work with Enterprise Florida, the state's economic development agency, and other state and local partners to identify projects that may be considered for funding.

The project proposals can come from local governments, the Florida DEO, Enterprise Florida, Florida Department of Transportation, community colleges and technical centers.

To apply for funding, [go here](#).

Two Florida airports rank in the 10 best domestic airports

(Source: *Travelandleisure.com*)



Not all airports are created equal. At least, that's how our travel and leisure readers feel about hubs like Dallas Love Field, Palm Beach International, and Tampa International, citing easy access, a vast selection of restaurants, and design with a sense of place as just a few of the reasons they stand out from the pack. "Lots of cool landmarks inside the airport, like a T. rex skeleton and a statue of former Steelers football player Franco Harris," said one reader of Pittsburgh International. "Welcome to Pittsburgh!"

Every year for our World's Best Awards survey, T+L asks readers to weigh in on travel experiences around the globe — to share their opinions on the top hotels, resorts, cities, islands, cruise ships, spas, airlines, and more. Airports were rated on access, check-in and

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For the fifth year in a row, it's Portland International Airport that has claimed the top spot. The list below provides the 2017 rankings:

- 1) Portland International, Oregon (PDX)
- 2) Indianapolis International (IND)
- 3) Tampa International (TPA)**
- 4) John Wayne Airport (SNA)
- 5) Austin-Bergstrom International (AUS)
- 6) Pittsburgh International (PIT)
- 7) Minneapolis - St. Paul International (MSP)
- 8) Savannah-Hilton Head International (SAV)
- 9) Palm Beach International (PBI)**
- 10) Dallas Love Field (DAL)

AROUND THE NATION

House Appropriations Subcommittee approves FY 2018 DHS spending bill

(Source: AAAE.com)

The House Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee on Tuesday 7/12 approved a FY 2018 spending bill for DHS and its component agencies, including TSA and CBP.

The House DHS spending measure funds several of the Trump Administration's immigration-related priorities, including construction of a wall along the southern border and the hiring of 500 new BorderPatrol agents. Subcommittee Chairman John "Judge" Carter (R-Texas) noted that the bill's focus on immigration is a change from past DHS funding bills. Chairman Carter said in his opening statement that the FY 2018 bill "stands in stark contrast to past recommendations primarily because the new Administration's budget request represents a major shift in policy for how DHS secures the border and enforces immigration laws."

The bill's focus on immigration enforcement and border security caused Democrats to oppose the legislation. Subcommittee Ranking Member Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-Calif.) criticized the bill for focusing on immigration to the detriment of other priorities like TSA's law enforcement officer (LEO) reimbursement program and Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response (VIPR) teams. "We should be investing much more in new Customs officers, and research and technology, and should restore funds for TSA's law enforcement officer reimbursement program and VIPR program," Roybal-Allard said. Rep. Nita Lowey (D-N.Y.), the Ranking Member of the full Appropriations Committee, also mentioned the bill's proposed cuts to the LEO reimbursement program in her statement. "We should be increasing TSA's law enforcement officer reimbursement program, not eliminating it," Ranking Member Lowey said.

Overall, the DHS funding measure includes \$7.2 billion for TSA, a decrease of \$159.8 million from the FY 2017 enacted level. It also includes \$13.8 billion for discretionary programs at CBP, which is \$1.6 billion

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higher than the FY 2017 level. Subcommittee members approved the bill on a voice vote during a short meeting this afternoon. As is customary, panel members refrained from offering any amendments during today's meeting. Lawmakers are expected to propose changes - including a number of immigration-related proposals from Democrats - when the full committee considers the measure. That meeting could occur as early as next week.

FAA offers to delete names, refund drone hobbyists *(Source: AINonline.com)*

Complying with a recent appellate court ruling, the FAA said it will delete the registration information it has collected from recreational drone users and return the \$5 fee at their request. On July 3, the agency made available a "registration deletion and self-certification" form that registrants must complete and mail to the FAA Civil Aviation Registry in Oklahoma City.

The FAA's offer to de-list drone hobbyists acknowledges a May 19 finding by a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit that its online registration system is unlawful. The agency had 45 days from the date of the ruling to seek a rehearing before the full court, but the court has now issued a final order, *Forbes* reported.

Reacting to a rash of rogue-drone sightings by pilots and others near airports, the Department of Transportation and the FAA used an expedited rulemaking process to establish the registry of recreational drone users in December 2015. But the D.C. Circuit Court, in the case of *Taylor v. Huerta*, determined that the registry violated a provision of 2012 FAA reauthorization legislation—Section 336—that prevents the agency from regulating model aircraft as long as they are flown safely. As of the court's decision, the FAA had collected names, addresses and other information from 763,678 drone hobbyists.

"What the court invalidated," Huerta said, "was the applicability of the registry for a subset of hobbyists that are not in compliance with a specific requirement that they be part of a community-based organization that has standards for safety."

In the latest registration-deletion announcement, the

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FAA states that owners of model aircraft "which are operated in compliance with Section 336 are not required to register. Owners of all other small unmanned aircraft, including newly-purchased unmanned aircraft not operated exclusively in compliance with Section 336, remain subject to the

registration requirement.” The agency said that it continues to encourage voluntary registration by the owners of small unmanned aircraft.

CORPORATE MEMBER NEWS

VHB welcomes Elizabeth Jaedicke, Chief of Aviation Economics and Forecasting



Elizabeth has more than 10 years of experience constructing complex and accurate forecast models to predict passenger, cargo, and flight activity at airports around the world. Her knowledge gained from working with domestic and international airports provides a unique perspective to help clients develop air



transport infrastructure services to meet current and future demand, measure environmental activity, and advance strategies to proactively address industry trends that may affect operations and profitability.

“Elizabeth’s forecasting skills, management background, and commitment to client service further strengthens our ability to offer clients a broad range of comprehensive and integrated services from airside to landside, to help move even the most complex and controversial projects toward construction.”

—Peter Byrne, National Aviation Director

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

LEGAL NOTICE

Request for Bids
(RFB # 17-21)



SECURITY CHECKPOINT AUGMENTATION AND RELATED CUSTOMER SERVICES AT THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

The Lee County Port Authority (“Authority”) invites the submission of Request for Bids (RFB) from all interested and qualified parties to provide Security Checkpoint Augmentation and Related Customer Services at the Southwest Florida International Airport, RFB # 17-21.

A copy of this RFB and instructions for submittal may be obtained online at [www. publicpurchase.com](http://www.publicpurchase.com) or by contacting the Port Authority Purchasing Office at (239) 590-4554.

A mandatory prebid meeting is scheduled for **10:00 a.m., July 19, 2017**, in the Amelia Earhart Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Southwest Florida International Airport Terminal, located at 11000 Terminal Access Road, Fort Myers, FL. 33913.

Receiving and opening of this RFB is scheduled for **2:00 p.m., August 17, 2017**, in the Purchasing Office, at the aforementioned location.

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| FAC 48 th Annual Conference & Exposition | Miami Beach, FL Loews Miami Beach Resort | July 23 - 26, 2017 |
| Airfield Preventative Maintenance Workshop | Stuart, FL Martin County Airport/Witham Field Click here for more info and here to register | August 3, 2017 ← |
| FAC Basic Airfield Electrical Safety Class | Tallahassee International Airport | September 7, 2017 |
| FAC Specialty Conference | Orlando, FL Omni Orlando Resort at ChampionsGate | October 25 - 27, 2017 |

Please email lisa@floridaairports.org with calendar updates.

opening, or any meeting described in this Request for Bids, should contact Terri Torres, Purchasing Agent, Lee County Port Authority Purchasing Office, Telephone (239) 590-4554; Fax (239) 590-4539 or e-mail ltorres@flylcpa.com; at least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled meeting.

Any questions concerning this request shall be addressed to Terri Torres, Purchasing Agent, Telephone (239) 590-4554, Fax (239) 590-4539 or email: ltorres@flylcpa.com.

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LEGAL NOTICE



The Lee County Port Authority invites the submission of Request for Bids (RFB) from all interested and qualified parties to provide Mitigation Bank Credit Purchase Freshwater Forested Wetland Mitigation Credits for Airport Traffic Control Tower at the Southwest Florida International Airport, RFB 17-23.

A copy of the Request for Bid and instructions for submittal may be obtained online at www.publicpurchase.com or by contacting the Port Authority Purchasing Office at (239) 590-4558.

Receiving and opening of Request for Bid is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. July 27, 2017, in the Purchasing Office, 3rd Floor, Southwest Florida International Airport Terminal, located at 11000 Terminal Access Road, Suite 8671, Ft. Myers, Florida, 33913-8899.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT NOTICE: The Lee County Port Authority will not discriminate against individuals with disabilities. Any person needing special accommodations for attendance at the RFB opening, or any meeting described in this Request for Bids, should contact Toni A. Elias, Sr. Purchasing Agent, Lee County Port Authority Purchasing Office, Telephone (239) 590-4558; Fax (239) 590-4539 or e-mail taelias@flylcpa.com; at least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled meeting.

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