

Green Airport Fleets Workshop and Expo



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Summary - SMF Clean Air Investments

- **Gate-supplied preconditioned air and electric power for aircraft**
- **Charging stations for electric Ground Service Equipment (eGSE)**
- **Compressed natural gas (CNG) bus fleet**
- **Electric airport vehicles**
- **Jet fuel pipeline & tank farm ERCs**

Boarding Bridge Retrofits Reduce Fuel Use

- **Aircraft parked at the gate must have power to operate air conditioning and electronics**
- **Aircraft got power in the past from:**
 - Diesel-powered portable ground power units (GPUs)
 - Onboard Auxiliary Power Unit (APU), a small turbine engine in the fuselage powered by jet fuel.
- **Both emit particles & ozone-forming NOx**

Electrification Reduces APU Usage

- **Passenger Boarding Bridge**
- **Duct for Pre-conditioned air (PCA)**
- **Ground Power Unit (GPU) and power cable**



Power Supply to Aircraft

Power cable
connected
to aircraft



Preconditioned Air Supply (PCA)



Air Conditioning Duct Connected to Aircraft

Electric Ground Support Equipment (eGSE)

- **Airport provided charging stations**
- **Airlines funded conversion of equipment**

Southwest Converted 16 Belt Loaders from Gasoline to Electric Battery Power

- Belt Loaders were overhauled and converted to electric battery power.
- Cost to overhaul each belt loader was \$10,000 less than cost of a new electric belt loader.



Electric Charger and Electric Bag Tug



Airport-Owned Alternative Fuel Vehicles

- **Six hybrid pool cars**
- **100% CNG bus fleet**
- **Two Global Electric Motorcars (GEM)**
- **One electric truck**
 - More trucks may be purchased
- **Electric golf carts**

CNG Buses Replaced Diesel Buses

- All 39 SMF buses are now powered by Compressed Natural Gas (CNG), reducing particle & NOx emissions
- Cost per CNG bus: \$58,400 more than a diesel bus
- But CNG fuel costs less than diesel fuel



One of 2 GEMs Bought in 2005



New Low-Speed Electric Trucks

- Ideal for short trips around the airport
- Top speed 25 mph
- Cost \$18,000 to \$24,000 depending on options



Regulatory and Compliance Programs

- **Contract with the Sacramento International Airport Taxi Owner Association (SITOA) requires them to meet minimum criteria for low emission vehicles. (Many are buying hybrids)**
- **Managing airport-owned vehicle and equipment fleets to comply with the ARB diesel PM reduction regulations (on-road, off-road, and PERP).**

Jet Fuel Pipeline and Tank Farm Emission Reductions Reduced Mitigation Fees

- **First “fuel farm” opened 1967; diesel-powered tank trucks delivered jet fuel to SMF, emitting NOx and PM.**
- **2005: new fuel storage tanks & pipeline.**
- **Replaced truck delivery with pipeline; banked 8,000 pounds of NOx credits.**
- **Used banked credits to reduce the SMAQMD construction emission mitigation fee by \$130,000.**

Looking Ahead – Airport Actions

- **Aircraft hydrant fueling of aircraft at new Terminal B**
 - Pipelines will deliver fuel from tank farm to each aircraft gate
 - Would make Airport Operating Area (AOA) safer and reduce NOx and Particle pollution by eliminating truck delivery of fuel to aircraft.
- **Extend light rail line to Airport from downtown**
 - Included in SMF Master Plan and Airport Layout Plan (ALP)
- **Continue replacing fossil fuel vehicles with alternatives when available and fiscally feasible**
- **Build more airport parking lots and garages**
 - Reliable parking supply eliminates need for “double tripping”

Looking Ahead – Airlines and FAA

■ Performance-Based Navigation

- Reduces fuel use by flying most direct routes between airports

■ Continuous Descent Approach (CDA)

- Reduces engine thrust and aircraft drag while aircraft is descending (quieter, cleaner, more efficient)

■ Replacing older aircraft with more fuel-efficient models

- B-787 is expected to have at least 20% better fuel efficiency than current aircraft

■ Aircraft self-docking systems

- Aircraft can taxi and park quicker, reducing fuel burn.