

#### Van Nuys

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 Los Angeles World Airports









## **Airport Operations**

We are a challenge to define unlike:

- ★ Airport Police, who handle security activities
- Airport Maintenance, who fix/maintain facilities & equipment
- ★ Airport Public Relations, who handle community affairs
- Commercial Development Group, who manage leases and other property issues
- ★ Aircraft Rescue/Fire Fighting, who respond to aircraft/airport accidents and fires

### In a nutshell.....

Personnel who work in Airport Operations are aviation professionals who manage the airport facilities on and around the airport's airfield to ensure they are safe and serviceable for the operation of aircraft.

# **Airport Operations Role**

★ To ensure safe airport operations by conducting continuous Airfield Safety Inspections. This includes:

### Markings

Signage

Lighting

### **Runway/Taxiway Inspections**

- ★ Pavement Condition
- ★ Condition of RWY / TWY Markings
  ★ RWY / TWY Lighting Systems and Fixtures
  ★ Presence of FOD
- ★ Braking Action





# **F.A.R.** 139

FAA Regulation that sets minimum safety standards for: **Commercial Service Airports** Van Nuys Airport **Closely Models These Standards** 

- Self-Inspection Program
- Fuel Facility Inspection Program
- Wildlife Hazard Management Program

- ARFF Vehicles on Airport
- Tabletop/Full Scale Emergency Exercises
- Airport Surface Movement Program

## **Airport Operations Role**

#### Identification & correction of hazardous conditions



Hazards that threaten the safety of the public Construction / FOD / Obstacles

# Wildlife Hazards

Birds & other wildlife pose one of the greatest risks to airports!!

VNY Airport has a FAA Certified Wildlife Biologists Airport Operations staff continuously monitors the airfield for wildlife hazards





### **Emergency Response**

The Airport Operations Division plays a crucial role during airport emergencies

- ★ Support Airport Fire Fighting and Rescue Units
- Coordinate response of emergency resources
- ★ Isolate the incident for minimal impact on airport operation
- ★ Acts as the communication link between internal LAWA divisions and external agencies (FAA, NTSB)
- ★ Coordinates clean-up and ensures Airport resumes to normal operations; Disabled Aircraft Recovery

# **Ops, Cops & Fire**



# **VIP Details / Filming**

Airport Operations coordinates all commercial filming ventures at VNY Airport

- Large-scale motion picture productions: Iron Man, Get Smart, and The Hangover
- TV Series: 24, CSI, and Entourage
- Still photo shoots, music videos, and TV commercials



#### Education and Enforcement of Airport Rules and Regulations

#### ASMP

### MVOP



# **VNY Airport Operations Staff**

We bring aeronautical expertise to the VNY airport users from different aviation sectors

- ★ Airport Management Companies
- ★ Airlines (station managers, mechanics, ramp operations)
- ★ FBOs (fueling, dispatching, line service)
- ★ FAA Certified Flight Instructors

50%	FAA licensed pilots
30%	Aviation Degrees

# **VNY Airport Operations Staff** Superintendent of Airport Operations (9)

- ★ Conduct Airfield Inspections 24/7
- ★ Enforce VNY Rules and Regulations
- ★ Coordinate and assist with aircraft emergencies
- ★ Investigate reports on complaints and disrupted airport operations
- ★ Monitor construction, filming, VIP activities
- ★ Coordinate activities with various agencies





Flora Margheritis Chief of Operations



Bud Carson



Jim Bakeman



Cathy Berger



Tom Anderson



Wayne Britton



Christian Moreno



Greg Lavender



Bob Nash



Craig Zinn

### **VNY Airport Operations - Mission**

To ensure "Operational Safety" by effectively managing the airport facilities to make sure that they are safe and serviceable for the operation of aircraft.



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