

AWOS

The AWOS System went offline on July 6th during the evening hours and was rebooted early the next morning by Gary Province. Just a reminder that the AWOS system is more than 8 years old and at the February CCAA meeting, the Authority approved adding the AWOS replacement to the ACIP.

The existing Airport Weather Observation System (AWOS) was installed and became operational in August, 2010. Since that time, the replacement equipment and the technology connected with the AWOS III P/T System has evolved. Currently, new ceilometers and Central Data Platforms are incompatible with the existing AWOS equipment, and barring a failure, replacement parts are not available. The system should be upgraded within the next couple of years. The VHF and UHF radios used for transmitting weather information are nearly as old and should be replaced at the same time as the AWOS upgrade.

The AWOS Data Computer and associated equipment is scheduled to be transferred back to the Terminal from Sterling Air by the end of July.

Cinderlite Rock Removal Project

There have been numerous complaints from residents that live along Bowers Lane regarding the truck noise and dust from the project. Some residents have complained to the City and as a result, Gary Lehman of Cinderlite and I had a meeting with Public Works to try and resolve the issue.

One viable option is to move the entry gate about 100 yards west from the corner of Bowers Lane on Arrowhead Dr. to facilitate the movement of the trucks. This will require the addition of a culvert to enable a sturdy crossing to the gate from Arrowhead. This would be the City's responsibility, however the addition of a new gate must be a decision of the CCAA. It is unknown at this time what the City's plan is exactly and where exactly the gate would be placed.

The City would also be responsible for the clearing of the culvert crossing Arrowhead Dr. and clearing the ditch (off airport property) in order to facilitate drainage. The area flooded onto the rock removal area this Spring.

New Manager

It has been my pleasure to work at the Carson City Airport these last 6 ½ years and feel like I was able to leave it a little better than when I began. It is my earnest desire that the CCAA hire the right individual to manage the airport and would like to make a few of recommendations.

- 1) The new manager should be independent and not associated with, or financially invested with any business on the Airport where a conflict of interest may exist.
- 2) Before a full time manager is selected, the CCAA should develop and approve an employment manual/policy and compensation schedule. Well-written policies and procedures allow employees to clearly understand their roles and responsibilities within predefined limits.
- 3) The CCAA should develop a Mission Statement for the Airport and Staff declaring the Airports purpose and focus of its goals and what is to be accomplished over a period of time. This will

enable Airport Staff and the CCAA to work closely together and not have conflicting goals or priorities.