

Resolution Regarding the 20-Year Master Plan for McClellan-Palomar Airport

WHEREAS the 20-Year Master Plan for McClellan-Palomar Airport approved by the then-serving San Diego County Board of Supervisors in 2018, was based on inaccurate traffic data, a misleading noise study, a misleading business analysis, and an outdated San Diego County Climate Action Plan leading to inappropriate consideration of GHG emissions and that the Current Board of Supervisors has recently approved a goal of reducing carbon emission to zero by 2035;

WHEREAS the surrounding communities are experiencing increased adverse impact from Palomar Airport including increased street traffic, noise pollution, ozone levels, particulates and GHG emissions exacerbated by airplane traffic 24 hours/day; and

WHEREAS the Palomar Airport Advisory Committee and the former members of the Board of Supervisors have fallen far short of seeking out and listening to citizens most concerned about Palomar Airport issues;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SAN DIEGO COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE contact the members of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors requesting they act to 1) Invalidate the current 2018 McClellan-Palomar Airport Master Plan Update which calls for an 800' runway expansion and the addition of a 150' wingspan separation between taxiway and runway, allowing for larger aircraft flying in and out; 2) Adopt the California Public Utilities Commission definition of Airport Expansion which provides specific language regarding expansion within an existing airport footprint, 3) Support Carlsbad and surrounding communities and at the same time, stay true to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors stated goal to reduce GHG emissions to zero by 2035 by retaining the current smaller B-II Aircraft Design Group Classification versus the Master Plan expansion to larger D-III Aircraft Design Group Classification, Ensure there is accurate, up-to-date data used for developing the 20-Year Master Plan pending adoption of a comprehensive, legally enforceable, and valid County Climate Action Plan that does not rely on carbon offsets and adoption of SANDAG's proposed transportation improvements contained in the 2021 Regional Mobility Plan aka "5 Big Moves", which would synchronize transportation modalities into a fully integrated transportation system, impacting the need and purpose of any McClellan-Palomar Airport expansion.

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