The Terminal Area Improvement Program (TAIP) for Mineta San José International Airport (SJC) is creating a modern, convenient, comfortable, and competitive airport for San José and Silicon Valley. In November 2005 the San José City Council approved a comprehensive plan for replacing and upgrading the Airport’s terminal facilities to realize the community’s long-term vision in the Airport Master Plan originally adopted in 1997. The program is planned in two phases. Phase 1 is the current $1.3 billion modernization that is on schedule and on budget for completion in 2010. Phase 2, expansion to add twelve more aircraft gates, will begin when the Airport reaches specific levels of passenger activity or flights in the future.

PHASE 1
The first phase of the TAIP is the comprehensive modernization of the Airport. Elements include a new Terminal B and Concourse, upgrades for Terminal A, expanded restaurant and retail concessions, expanded roadway capacity, a convenient consolidated rental car center and public parking garage, and public art. Hensel Phelps Construction Co. is SJC’s design/build contractor for Phase 1 of TAIP, working with Fentress Architects.

Terminal B Concourse
Construction of the Terminal B Concourse began in 2004 as the first major element of the New Airport. Located between Terminal A and Terminal B, the new concourse has ten aircraft gates, comfortable and roomy waiting lounges, and new shops and restaurants. Designed by Gensler with construction management by Gilbane Building Co., the concourse features an airy “paseo” interior with open spaces and natural lighting to take advantage of San José’s sunny climate. The first six gates in the new concourse were activated for interim service by Southwest Airlines in July 2009. The remainder of the concourse opened with the completion of Terminal B in June 2010.

Terminal B
This beautiful new terminal will replace SJC’s Terminal C that was opened in 1965. Terminal B will be integrated with the Terminal B Concourse for a total of 12 aircraft gates served by new ticket counters, a large and efficient security checkpoint, baggage claim, comfortable waiting areas with free WiFi, and shops and restaurants both pre- and post-security. Terminal B also will have a state-of-the-art, automated inline baggage screening system for greater efficiency for airlines, passengers, and TSA. Terminal B was completed and opened in June 2010.
About SJC

Norman Y. Mineta San José International Airport is located in San José, the Capital of Silicon Valley, California’s third largest city and the nation’s 10th largest with a population of 1,007,000.

The Airport is a self-supporting enterprise, owned and operated by the City of San José, with an annual operating budget of $120 million (June 2009). Airport operations and development are supported by revenues from airlines, user fees, and federal airport improvement grants, not local tax funds.

More than 6000 people work for various employers at SJC, which generates an estimated $4 billion in direct business local economic activity annually and nearly 50,000 jobs in the San José/Silicon Valley region.

The Airport served 8.3 million domestic and international passengers in 2009. It is served by 12 commercial airlines with approximately 130 daily departures to 30 non-stop destinations. The Airport also handled 162.4 million pounds in domestic and international cargo in 2009.

SJC Statistics

- SJC is conveniently serves a market of about 4 million people in the Silicon Valley/South Bay Area.
- SJC is less than three miles from downtown San José.
- SJC’s excellent on-time performance make it the best airport for passengers in the nation according to US News & World Report (2/11/08).
- SJC is centrally located for major Silicon Valley technology companies, including 29 of the nation’s top 100 fastest growing technology companies.

SJC Terminal Area Improvement Program

Terminal A Upgrade

Originally opened in 1990, Terminal A has been transformed to improve customer comfort and convenience. In May 2009, new street-level ticketing lobbies opened, increasing the number of airline ticket stations by 60%.

The expanded security checkpoint opened November 2009 to move passengers faster and more comfortably to their gates. New shops and restaurants, including many local businesses, are being added in both pre- and post-security locations. The facelift also includes more comfortable waiting areas for passengers, remodeled bathrooms, and new floors and ceilings to brighten the terminal. These improvements were completed in June 2010, and a new efficient state-of-the-art baggage screening and handling system became operational February 2010.

Terminal C

SJC’s oldest terminal facility, opened in 1965, will be completely removed by fall 2010 to clear the site for the completion of roadway improvements, interim surface parking, and future terminal expansion. Airlines currently using Terminal C will move to either Terminal A or Terminal B. The north end of Terminal C was demolished in early 2008 to allow for construction to begin on Terminal B.

Consolidated Rental Car Center and Public Parking Garage

Located directly across the roadway from new Terminal B, this convenient facility will provide 3,000 spaces for all rental car operations based at SJC, as well as 350 public parking spaces at street level. The seven-deck garage also features a dramatic public art façade facing the community to the east.

Roadway Improvements

The terminal roadway system is being straightened and widened for greater capacity, easier access and better navigation with improved signage and lighting. A convenient bypass was restored to allow drivers to go directly to Terminal B and the rental car garage without circling by Terminal A.

PHASE 2

The second phase of TAIP will occur when passenger activity or flights reach specific levels so that the Airport will be ready to accommodate future growth. Phase 2 includes the second half of Terminal B with a South Concourse mirroring the North Concourse, adding 12 new aircraft gates. This will bring the total number of gates to the 40 allowed under the Airport Master Plan needed to serve 17 million annual passengers. Phase 2 currently is estimated to cost approximately $400 million.

Current Construction Schedule

June 2010

- Completion and opening of Terminal B and Terminal B Concourse
- Completion and opening of Consolidated Rental Car Center

Summer/Fall 2010

- Demolition of Terminal C
- Completion of Airport roadway improvements

For current information on the Airport and Airport improvement projects, visit www.flysanjose.com, or call the Customer Assistance Line at (408) 501-0979.