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SAFETY FIRST: AIRPORT AUTHORITY CONDUCTS EMERGENCY PLAN FULL-SCALE EXERCISE AT HOLLYWOOD BURBANK AIRPORT

Simulated Events Tested Interagency Communication and Response Capabilities

BURBANK, Calif., March 14, 2018 — First responders from across northern Los Angeles County, including firefighters, police departments and mental health professionals, tested their response to an aircraft engine fire at Hollywood Burbank Airport on Wednesday, March 14, at 9 a.m. The Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority, along with numerous local agencies, participated in an Airport Emergency Plan Full-Scale Exercise designed to test the Airport's readiness in case of a real incident. A partial aircraft fuselage was placed at the exercise site, and fire-related special effects signaled the start of the exercise. The Airport continued with normal operations throughout the exercise, which lasted approximately two hours.

“The exercise evaluated our operational capabilities and emergency management in a real-time, unrehearsed simulation, and it tested the functions of our Airport Emergency Plan in an incident where multiple local agencies are responding to the scene,” said Executive Director Frank R. Miller. Those functions included on-site incident command; victim rescue, triage, and treatment; management of friends and family; and communications and media relations.

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The exercise took place on the Airport's Adjacent Property, north of the FAA control tower and east of Runway 15/33, the Airport's north-south runway. A number of volunteers played the role of victims needing medical attention at the scene. Volunteers reported to the site at 6 a.m. and were given a safety briefing and moulage makeup to simulate a variety of injuries. An observation area was provided near Economy Lot A for credentialed news media coverage.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requires the Airport Authority to conduct such an exercise once every three years.



A fuselage was used as part of an engine fire simulation during Hollywood Burbank Airport's Emergency Plan Full-Scale Exercise on Wednesday, March 14. The exercise was designed to test the Airport's readiness in case of a real incident.

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Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR) is owned and operated by the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority, a joint powers agency created in 1977 between the Cities of Burbank, Glendale and Pasadena. The airport serves over 4.7 million passengers annually and reaches a dozen nonstop destinations in the United States. More information can be found on the airport's website, www.HollywoodBurbankAirport.com, and on the airport's [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) feeds.