



Montrose Regional Airport Extended Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan

Purpose and Background

The Montrose Regional Airport (MJT), Montrose Colorado, has prepared this Emergency Tarmac Contingency Plan pursuant to Section 42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Larry Blackwell, Airport Operations Manager, at Lblackwell@montrosecounty.net. Montrose Regional Airport has filed this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) MTJ is a commercial service airport or (2) MTJ may be used by an air carrier described in USC 42301(a)(1) for diversions.

This plan describes how, following excessive tarmac delays and to the extent practicable, the Montrose Regional Airport will:

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
- Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport; and
- Provide a sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

Airport Information

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Airport Category:	Non-Hub

Contact Information

In the event of diversions or other irregular operations event, aircraft operators should contact the Montrose Regional Airport fire station, 970-249-7953. The fire station is staffed on a 24 hour basis, 7 days a week.

Plan to Provide for the Deplanement of Passengers Following Excessive Tarmac Delays

The Montrose Regional Airport (MTJ) does not own or operate any of the equipment needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. Additionally, airport personnel are not trained to assist in the deplanement of passengers using equipment owned or operated by air carriers or contract service providers. We will provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed base operators and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the 24 hour contact listed above.

Plan to Provide for the Sharing of Facilities and Make Gates Available in an Emergency

The gates at the Montrose Regional Airport (MTJ) are under common use leases, permits, or agreements to air carriers and are controlled by the airport. Airport personnel will direct our common use tenant air carrier users to make gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate, to the maximum extent practicable.

Plan to Provide a Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection

Montrose Regional Airport does not have international passenger processing facilities. Airport personnel will coordinate with local CBP and law enforcement officials to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned. Once these efforts are complete, airport personnel will coordinate with local CBP officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection to be deplaned into these sterile areas to the extent practicable.

Public Access to the Extended Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan

Montrose Regional Airport will provide public access to the Extended Tarmac Delay Contingency Plan through the following means:

- Posting in a conspicuous location on the Montrose Regional Airport Website (<http://www.montrosecounty.net> , Departments, Airports, Montrose Regional Airport)