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## **Executive Director Gina Marie Lindsey Announces She'll Retire in Spring**

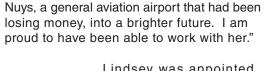
Los Angeles World Airports Executive Director **Gina Marie Lindsey** announced earlier this month that after a 39-year career, 33 of them spent working in the aviation industry, she will retire.

Telling staff "it is time for me to move on to other adventures," Lindsey discussed her retirement with Mayor Eric Garcetti and Board of Airport Commissioners President Sean Burton and says she will stay on into the spring to ensure a smoother transition to new leadership.

The Mayor's office and Airport Commissioners will work with Spencer Stuart, a leading executive search consulting firm, to identify Lindsey's successor.

"This is an appropriate time for a transition," Lindsey said. "The next LAWA executive director will be able to take the Airports Development Program through its next major phase, its next round of projects that will last at least 10 years."

"A good leader brings out the best in a team," said Board of Airport Commissioners President Burton. "Gina Marie has put together a strong and efficient team that is transforming LAX into an airport the city can be proud of; responsibly managing costs and operations at LA/Ontario International Airport through difficult marketing changes; and moving Van



Lindsey was appointed LAWA executive director on June 4, 2007, after decades of experience in airport management and a record of success in renovating and improving international airports.

Before joining LAWA, Lindsey was executive vice president of McBee Strategic Consulting, LLC, a government relations and aviation consulting firm in Washington, D.C. Prior to that post, she was managing director of Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.



Gina Marie Lindsey

Lindsey also served as director of aviation for Anchorage International Airport. Prior to managing airports, she worked for the Alaska Department of Transportation on surface transportation issues.

Gina Marie has served on both the Airports Council International World Board and the Airport Cooperative Research Board under the National Academy of Sciences, was first female chairperson of Airports Council International-North America, and chaired the Federal Aviation Administration Management Advisory Council.

#### BLUE SKIES

The following Los Angeles World Airports personnel have retired from Los Angeles City service. We wish them the best of luck in all their future endeavors.

**Rosie Alderete**, Storekeeper II, 25.5 years total city service, 7.5 years with LAWA

**Elaine Andrews,** Chief of Operations II, 40.5 years total city service, 34.5 years with LAWA

Anita Cormier, Management Analyst II, 41.5 years total city service, 8.5 years with LAWA

**Richard Deluca,** Painter, 27.5 years total city service, 22 years with LAWA

**Newton Gring,** Carpenter, 29.5 years total city service, all with LAWA

**Timothy Gulla,** Airport Maintenance Superintendent, 29.5 years totala city service, 15.5 years with LAWA

**Peter Hernandez**, Senior Personnel Analyst II, 37.5 years total city service, 5.5 years with LAWA

Janice Lagny, Secretary, 27 years total city service, all with LAWA

Martha Mares, Airport Guide I, 23.5 years total city service, all with LAWA

Francisco L. Martinez, Gardener Caretaker, 27.5 years total city service, 25 years with LAWA

**Thomas McHugh,** Airport Maintenance Superintendent, 29.5 years total city service, 16.5 years with LAWA

**Elisha Mitchell,** Principal Clerk, 30.5 years total city service, one year with LAWA

*Mary Petty,* Maintenance Laborer, 13.5 years total city service, all with LAWA

**Rosa Potts,** Custodian, 18.5 years total city service, all with LAWA

**Howard Putnam,** Senior Park Maintenance Supervisor, 44.5 years total city service, 6.5 years with LAWA

**Ramiro Raygoza**, Gardener Caretaker, 29.5 years total city service, all with LAWA

**Trinidad Reyes,** Maintenance & Construction Helper, 26.5 years total city service, 24.5 years with LAWA

**Linda Stone,** Custodian, 29.5 years total city service, 10 years with LAWA

**Dennis Werner,** Airport Superintendent of Operations III, 24 years total city service, all with LAWA

## LAWA's Potable Water Use Decreases Substantially Between 2011 and 2013

The Environmental and Land Use Planning Division reports that potable water usage at LAWA's airports decreased substantially between 2011 and 2013.

LAX consumed 544 million gallons of potable water in 2013, which was 25 percent less than 2011 usage levels. Thirty-five percent of all landscaped areas at LAX were irrigated with reclaimed water, thereby saving approximately 40.2 million of potable water annually.

At LA/Ontario in 2013, 84.5 million gallons of potable water were consumed. This amount was approximately 12



RECENTLY CONVERTED—Pictured is a project in front of the Construction and Maintenance Building at 7411 World Way West that was converted from landscaping to drought-resistant plants.

percent less than 2011's usage of 95.7 million gallons of potable water.

At Van Nuys in 2013, 13.4 million gallons of potable water were consumed. This amount was approximately 18 percent less than the 2011 usage of 16.4 million gallons of potable water.

LAWA is also committed to increasing the acreage covered by using native and more drought-tolerant plants, which require less water.

This effort is supported by LAWA's initiative to plant native or drought-resistant vegetation in new landscaping projects.

This latest strategy calls for converting water-intensive landscaped areas to California native plants and/or drought-resistant vegetation. In addition, the lawn around Admin East will be replanted with water-saving plants. Irrigation system run times elsewhere are being reduced by more than 60 percent.

There are also plans to increase the amount of reclaimed water pipes so that LAWA will use more reclaimed water to help conserve this vital resource.

LAWA strives to use water wisely at its facilities. Please report any water leaks to (310) 646-3276.

## First Class of Bike Patrol Officers Complete Training

The first class of sworn and non-sworn Airport Police Bike Patrol candidates certified by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department completed their training on February 13, with a graduation night ride from LASD West Hollywood Station to the Santa Monica Pier where they received their certificates of completion.

The 40-hour Bicycle Patrol Tactics Course consisted of training in riding techniques and patrol skills, law enforcement bicycling techniques, off-road riding, and other classes.

The graduating class was comprised of Los Angeles Airport Police Sworn Officers Maria Duenez, Larry Henderson, Murray Rabon, Christopher Renard, Kai Wang, Jonray Selby, David Sun, Percival Valdenor, and Traffic Control Unit Officers Levar Doucet, Steven Eilders, Thomas Simien and Raymond Sims are all graduates of the class. Sergeant Pete Trance conducted the Bike Preparation training and was part of the instructor cadre.

#### **Admin East Tower Turns 56 Years Old in March**

The converted air traffic control tower in the Administrative Building East administrative complex turns 56 years old this year. It was originally dedicated on March 25, 1959.

When it was completed, the 12-story building was the tallest control tower in the country, standing at 172 feet. The Federal Aviation Administration occupied the top six floors and the control tower cab.

New equipment included an airport surface detection equipment radar system that enabled air traffic controllers to see all aircraft movement on the airfield.

LAWA (then the Department of Airports) used the lower floors as administrative offices.

This was the first of 15 major structures built in the new 265-acre passenger terminal complex. A 5,000-space parking lot, along with ticketing and satellite buildings, were also part of this Jet-Age project.

On March 25, 1987, a rededication ceremony was held for the Administration Building and new Samuel Greenberg Board Room, and was attended by late Los Angeles Mayor **Tom Bradley** and late Airport Commissioner **Samuel Greenberg**.

The FAA ended its active use of the tower on March 30, 1996, when it moved into its new, 277-foot-tall structure that is unique in appearance from any other tower in the U. S. For a while, the old tower was used as an emergency backup facility.

The facility was named in memory of **Clifton Albert Moore** in 2005. Moore was a world-renown leader in civil aviation who served for 25 years as executive director of LAWA.

Nicknamed "Mr. Airport," Moore passed away in April 2002 and may be best remembered for his leadership in the construction of present-day LAX.



NEWLY-RENOVATED—A 1961 view of the newly-completed control tower and administration building at LAX, which was part of the enormous redevelopment that included the new Jet-Age terminal complex (Central Terminal Area) and additional ticketing and satellite buildings.



LARGE TURNOUT—A large group of friends, supporters and well-wishers attended the dedication of the new LAX Control Tower on March 25, 1959. The dedication was held on the ground level of the 12-story building.

### **Employees Tour New TBIT**



MONTHLY TOURS—Another group of LAWA employees are photographed during the January walking tour of the New Tom Bradley International Terminal hosted monthly by Project LIFToff and Airport Operations. Pictured from left: Kaecia Godfrey, Susan Roth, Project LIFToff, Jeffrey Sherman, Kelly Arthurs, Ray Jack, Airport Operations, who conducts the tours; Michael Dinius, Danielle Moore, David McCombs, Raquel Romo, Teesha Sauls and Veronica Gomez. The tours are designed to provide employees with additional knowledge on the history of LAX and how and why the construction is taking place. For further information on the tours, call Project LIFToff at (424) 646-5168.

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### **My Best Shot**



COOL PLACE—This photo of Jokulsarion, an Icelandic glacier lagoon, was taken by Management Analyst II **Hanh Hoang** of the Information Management and Technology Group, during a visit to Iceland. Huge blocks of ice break off from Europe's largest glacier, Vatnajokull (in the background), and move slowly out towards the ocean, a mile away. In the foreground, some icebergs are pictured covered by volcanic ash from ancient eruptions. It takes about three hours on Iceland's only highway, the Ring Road that encircles the island, to reach Jokulsarion from the capital city of Reykjavik, where Hahn stayed during her visit.