Airport Web Site Announcement

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Volunteers Needed for Aircraft Disaster Exercise to Be Held At Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport

On Saturday, June 6, 2009, a disaster exercise involving a simulated crash will take place at Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport. The purpose of this exercise is to practice the emergency response to a full-scale aircraft disaster. The exercise will not interfere with normal Airport operations.

The airport is searching for up to 180 volunteers who would like to "play victims" in this exercise. As a volunteer in the exercise, you will get an "up close" look at airport emergency response operations. You should plan on this being a full day event – beginning at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m. Food and refreshments will be provided.

If interested in participating as a simulated victim, please contact

Jesse Davis Phone: 266-2580 E-mail: <u>Jesse.Davis@alaska.gov</u> (E-mail preferred)

OR

Josh Briggs (Midnight shift, 23:00 to 07:00) Phone: 266-2608 E-mail: <u>Joshua.Briggs@alaska.gov</u> (E-mail preferred)

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Steve Parry (Alt shifts, T.W.Th. 11:00 to 19:00// Fr.S 15:00 to 23:00) Phone: 266-2611 E-mail: <u>Stephen.Parry@alaska.gov</u> (Phone or E-mail)

The crash location will be off the departure end of Runway 32 on the beach.

The exercise is designed to test and evaluate key elements of the emergency response to a mass casualty aircraft incident on a difficult to reach, possibly mud flat area, close to the airport. The Federal Aviation Administration requires airports to hold a full scale exercise once every three years.

Public observation of the disaster drill is by invitation only. Media coverage is welcome.