### Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport Overview

Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport (airport code of ACI) serves the greater Saint Joseph metropolitan region. It is designated a large hub airport by the Federal Aviation Administration with scheduled passenger service to more than 50 domestic destinations and 6 international destinations. The ACI Airport Director is *Cameron Modway*. He has been in the position for the past 10 years and is credited with creating an airport with great passenger service.

Commercial passenger service is dominated by FabulAir, which has a 60 percent share of the market. FabulAir operates both narrow-body (primarily for the domestic markets it serves) and wide-body aircraft (primarily for the international markets it serves). FabulAir is the brainchild of *Katie Veederman* and she wants to increase market share and offer flights to additional domestic and international destinations.

ACI also has a variety of general aviation hangars and a dedicated cargo operations area. There are two cargo operators – Parcel Express and Overnight Deliveries, Inc. Parcel Express and Overnight Deliveries, Inc., have a 60% market share and a 40% market share, respectively, of all cargo operations at ACI. The CEO of Parcel Express is **Brad Rolfers**. He is a resident of the Forest View neighborhood in Rybolt Park. His wife is the President of the Forest View neighborhood association. The CEO of Overnight Deliveries, Inc., is **Colleen Lineham** who is concerned about the market share of cargo activities at ACI. She also is a resident of the Forest View neighborhood in Rybolt Park.

Two of the largest employers in the Saint Joseph metropolitan area (Panabanarama Industries and Megathon Corporation) have corporate hangars and a fleet of 10 business jets between them.

In addition, the Air National Guard has a presence at ACI and operates the new F-177 fighter jets. The leader of the Air National Guard is Lieutenant General *Teresa Gressman*. She also lives in the Creekside neighborhood in Saint Joseph. Lieutenant General Gressman also is a direct descendent of Anthony Carlton Chrisman.

Finally, the Saint Joseph metropolitan area also is home to Fort Westerby, which is the largest army training center in the United States, as well as Ilon University, which has a student population of 45,000 and is always a contender for national championships in football, women's soccer and basketball, and men's gymnastics. Fort Westerby is led by four-star general *Jean Wolf-Lorrie*. All recruits that come to Fort Westerby arrive at ACI and all military personnel deployed from Fort Westerby depart from ACI. She is a big proponent of the airport. The President of Ilon University is *Logan Ilon* and she is the granddaughter of the founder of the university. She also is a Board member on the Saint Joseph Chamber of Commerce. The Ilon University sports teams use charter flights to travel to away competitions in other cities.

The Saint Joseph metropolitan area is growing at a faster pace than the rest of the United States. Most of the growth in the metropolitan area is occurring in the suburbs of Saint Joseph.

ACI is named after a former state governor. The land on which ACI is built was once part of Mr. Chrisman's plantation. The Director of the Chrisman Plantation historic village is **Sarah Potts**. Recently, some residents of the Saint Joseph metropolitan area have been suggesting that ACI be renamed because of the legacy of Mr. Chrisman. The movement is called Remove Anthony Chrisman From Our Airport (RACFOA) and the leader of the movement is **Caroline Pinewood**.

The passenger terminal, which is remodeled two years ago has 44 gates with three gates capable of accommodating arriving international passengers. Every gate has a passenger boarding bridge. The concession program at ACI has won numerous awards for providing outstanding opportunities for local businesses with a focus on women- and minority-owned stores and food outlets. The terminal is served by two parking garages. The western garage has 4,500 spaces and the eastern garage has 2,000 spaces and also is the location of the rental car operations.

There are two runways at ACI. The primary runway is Runway 18L/36R. It is 12,250 feet long and 300 feet wide. The secondary runway is Runway 18R/36L and it is 9,000 feet long and 150 feet wide. The following tables provide information regarding runway use.

Arrivals					
Runway	Commercial	Cargo	Military	Corporate	General Aviation
18L	35%	45%	50%	20%	10%
36R	40%	50%	40%	30%	10%
18R	10%	0%	5%	20%	40%
36L	15%	5%	5%	30%	40%

Departures					
Runway	Commercial	Cargo	Military	Corporate	General
					Aviation
18L	40%	40%	55%	30%	10%
36R	45%	50%	30%	20%	10%
18R	10%	5%	10%	30%	40%
36L	5%	5%	5%	20%	40%

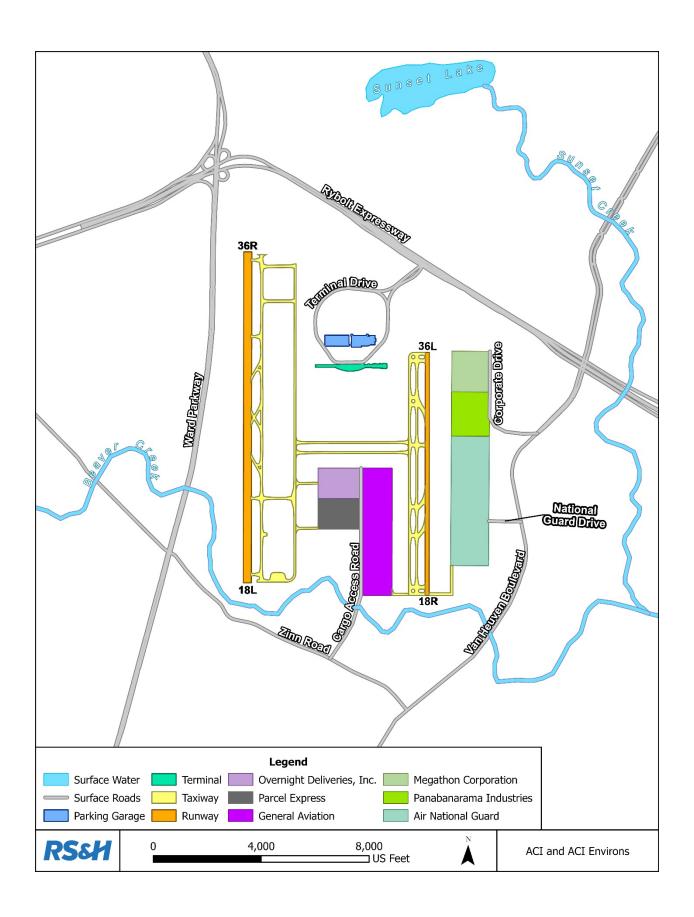
The following tables provide information about daytime and nighttime operations at ACI.<sup>1</sup>

Arrivals					
	Commercial	Cargo	Military	Corporate	General
					Aviation
Daytime	85%	65%	95%	90%	95%
Nighttime	15%	35%	5%	10%	5%

Departures					
Runway	Commercial	Cargo	Military	Corporate	General
					Aviation
Daytime	95%	25%	95%	90%	95%
Nighttime	5%	75%	5%	10%	5%

ACI is owned and operated by the Saint Joseph Airport Authority (SJAA), which is a separate government entity. The 11 members of the SVAA Board are elected by residents of the Saint Joseph metropolitan area. Although Saint Joseph has only 30 percent of the population of the metropolitan area, six of the members have districts within the City of Saint Joseph, one of the members has a district that includes the city of Rybolt Park, and the remaining 4 members represent districts that cover the other 15 incorporated communities in the Saint Joseph metropolitan area and all unincorporated areas.

For purposes of this exercise, ACI is not assumed to be located in California. If ACI were located in California, evening operations also would be identified because of the method used to analyze noise impacts.



### Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport Stakeholders

**Aaron Brassey** 

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U.S Fish and Wildlife Service

**Andrew Brookings** 

President

Citizens Against Pavement Expansion (CAPE)

Catrina Fobman

Mayor

City of Rybolt Park

**Zach Freestone** 

Self-Appointed Leader

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**Mark Kuttrone** 

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**Cameron Modway** 

Airport Director

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**Chris Osborne** 

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**Caroline Pinewood** 

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#### **Brad Rolfers**

CEO

**Parcel Express** 

### **Kevin Stapleton**

Self Appointed Mr. Know-It-All

### Autumn Warden

Floodplain Administrator City of Saint Joseph

#### **Brian Zinnerton**

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Van-Zinn Shopping Center

### Steve Rybings

Representative

ACI Rental Car Consortium

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FabulAir

#### **Jean Wolf-Lorrie**

Four Star General Fort Westerby

# Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport Overview of the Airport Vicinity

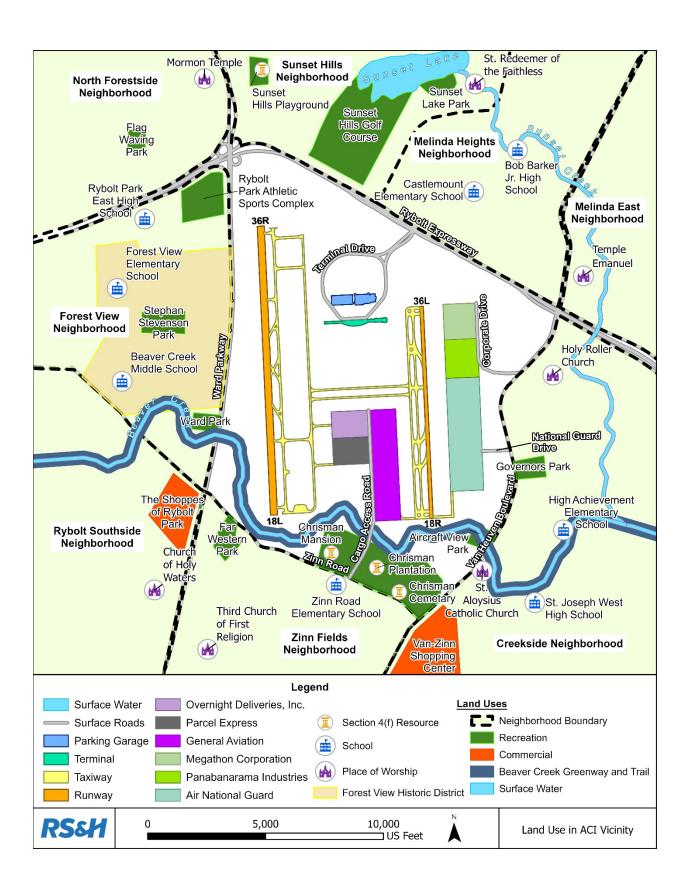
The land uses in the ACI vicinity include residential, commercial/retail, light industrial, recreational, and vacant land. In addition, there are a number of schools and churches in the ACI vicinity and these are identified on the map.

Other important facts (in random order) about the land uses in the ACI vicinity and important people involved in the land uses in the ACI vicinity include the following:

- 1. All of ACI is within the city limits of Saint Joseph. However, immediately west of Ward Parkway is the suburb of Rybolt Park.
- 2. The Forest View Historic District is west of ACI.
- 3. Schools in the ACI vicinity within the Saint Joseph School District include Zinn Road Elementary, Castlemount Elementary, High Achievement Elementary, Chartwell Junior High School, Bob Barker Junior High School, and Saint Joseph West High School. Schools in the ACI vicinity within the Rybolt Park School District include Forest View Elementary, Beaver Creek Middle School, and Rybolt Park East High School.
- 4. Churches in the ACI vicinity include the St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Holy Roller Church, Third Church of First Religion, Temple Emanuel, and St. Redeemer of the Faithless in Saint Joseph and the Church of Holy Waters and the Mormon Temple in Rybolt Park.
- 5. The Melinda East neighborhood in Saint Joseph is a mixture of single-family and multi-family homes. It is characterized as a middle income neighborhood.
- 6. The Melinda Heights neighborhood in Saint Joseph is primarily densely-developed single-family homes. The northern portion of the Melinda Heights neighborhood in Saint Joseph has a 70% minority population and it characterized as a lower-income neighborhood. Residents of this neighborhood frequently complain about aircraft noise, although the neighborhood is not within the 65 dB DNL contour.
- 7. The Sunset Hills neighborhood in Saint Joseph is mostly townhomes and apartment buildings and is considered to be low-income.
- 8. The Zinn Fields neighborhood in Saint Joseph is a mixture of single-family homes with apartment buildings mostly adjacent to Zinn Road and Van Heuven Boulevard. The eastern portion of the Zinn Fields neighborhood is 55% minority residents and is characterized as a middle income neighborhood.
- 9. The Creekside neighborhood in Saint Joseph is almost entirely single-family homes and is characterized as being an upper middle income neighborhood.
- 10. The North Forestside neighborhood in Rybolt Park includes single-family residences and is characterized as middle income neighborhood.
- 11. The Forest View neighborhood in Rybolt Park is very wealthy and is considered to be the nicest residential neighborhood in the entire Saint Joseph metropolitan area. The neighborhood is primarily single-family residences.
- 12. The Rybolt Southside neighborhood in Rybolt Park includes a mixture of single-family and multi-family residences. It is characterized as a middle income neighborhood.

- 13. The mayor of Rybolt Park is *Catrina Fobman* and she is very vocal as an opponent of airport development. She has been the mayor of Rybolt Park for more than 30 years (there are no terms limits in Rybolt Park).
- 14. The Van-Zinn Shopping Center in Saint Joseph includes a Target, a Best Buy, a Costco, about 50 other specialty stories and 5 casual dining restaurants. It has robust sales and is very busy. The owner of the Van-Zinn Shopping Center is *Brian Zinnerton* and he also is married to Logan Ilon, the President of Ilon University and a Board member on the local Chamber of Commerce.
- 15. The Shoppes of Rybolt Park is a newer retail facility that has attracted upscale retail stores and restaurants. It is considered to be an up-and-coming rival to the Van-Zinn Shopping Center.
- 16. The Chrisman Plantation is on the National Register of Historic Places and includes the former plantation mansion and the Chrisman Family Cemetery. The Chrisman Plantation also operates a historic village for visitors to experience the plantation life. The Director of the Chrisman Plantation is **Sarah Potts**.
- 17. The Airport Manager of ACI is *Cameron Modway* and he has been in this position for 10 years. Of late, the Airport Manager is advocating for changing the makeup of the Authority board of directors to be more equitable in the representation of the population of the Saint Joseph metropolitan area.
- 18. Rybolt Expressway is a six-lane limited access highway and is the primary route between downtown Saint Joseph and the suburbs to the west and north, including Rybolt Park. This roadway suffers from major congestion with stop-and-go traffic during both the morning and evening peak periods.
- 19. Van Heuven Boulevard is a four-lane roadway, has an interchange with the Rybolt Expressway, and provides access to the western neighborhoods of Saint Joseph as well as the Air National Guard facilities and the corporate hangars for Panabanarama Industries and Megathon Corporation.
- 20. Zinn Road was recently widened to four lanes, provides access to Chrisman Plantation, the cargo facilities, and general aviation facilities. Zinn Road also provides access to the Van-Zinn Shopping Center, the Shoppes at Rybolt Park, and the residential neighborhoods in Saint Joseph and Rybolt Park.
- 21. The intersection of Van Heuven Boulevard and Zinn Road has a level of service (LOS) of F and is considered to be one of the most congested intersections in the entire Saint Joseph metropolitan area.
- 22. Ward Parkway is a four-lane roadway with a landscaped median. It has an interchange with Rybolt Expressway and provides access to neighborhoods in Rybolt Park and the far western side of Saint Joseph.
- 23. Terminal Drive is a four-lane one-way roadway that provides access to the ACI terminal, the two ACI parking garages, and two hotels that cater to ACI passengers via an interchange with the Rybolt Expressway. The level of service at the Terminal Drive / Rybolt Expressway interchange is at LOS E.
- 24. Cargo Access Road is a two-lane roadway that provides access to the cargo facilities of Parcel Express and Overnight Deliveries, Inc., via Zinn Road.

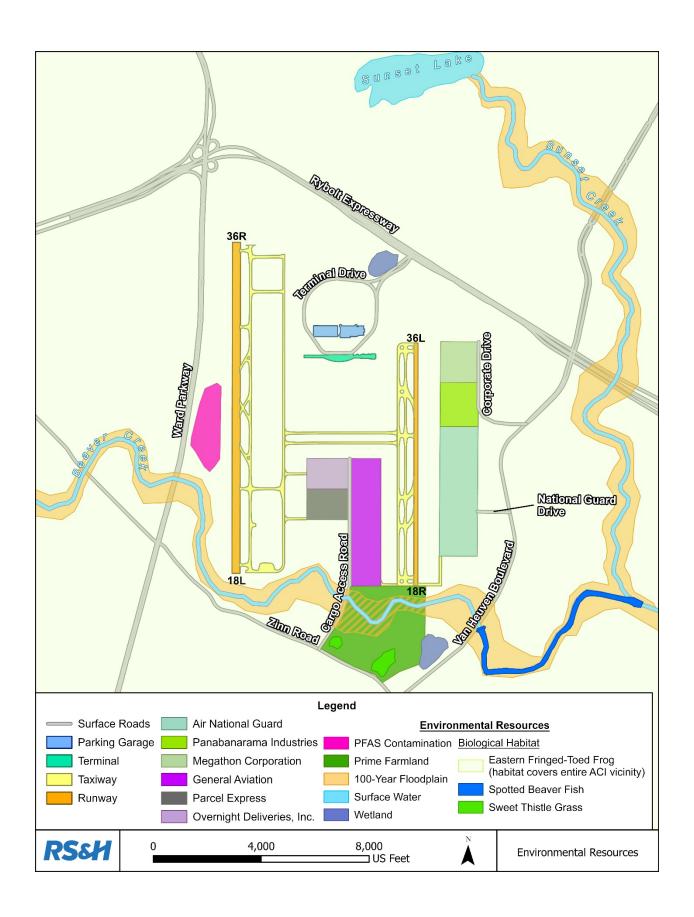
- 25. National Guard Drive is a two-lane roadway that provides access to the Air National Guard facility via Van Heuven Boulevard.
- 26. Corporate Drive is a two-lane roadway that provides access to the corporate hangars of Panabanarama Industries and Megathon Corporation via Van Heuven Boulevard.
- 27. The Sunset Hills Golf Course is north of ACI and is a municipal golf course operated by the City of Saint Joseph.
- 28. Parks in the vicinity of ACI include Sunset Hills Playground, Sunset Lake Park (beach on Sunset Lake with watersports), Beaver Creek Greenway and Nature Trail, Governors Park (ballfields, picnic areas, and soccer fields), Far Western Park (tennis courts and children's playground), and Aircraft View Park in Saint Joseph, and Ward Park (disc golf course), Stephan Stevenson Park (playground), Flag Waving Park, and the Rybolt Park Athletic and Sports Complex (ballfields, soccer fields, and high school football stadium).
- 29. The largest employers in the Saint Joseph metropolitan region are Panabanarama Industries, ACI, Ilon University, and the Van-Zinn Shopping Center.



## Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport Overview of Existing Natural Features

There are a variety of natural features at ACI and in the ACI vicinity. These natural resources include the following:

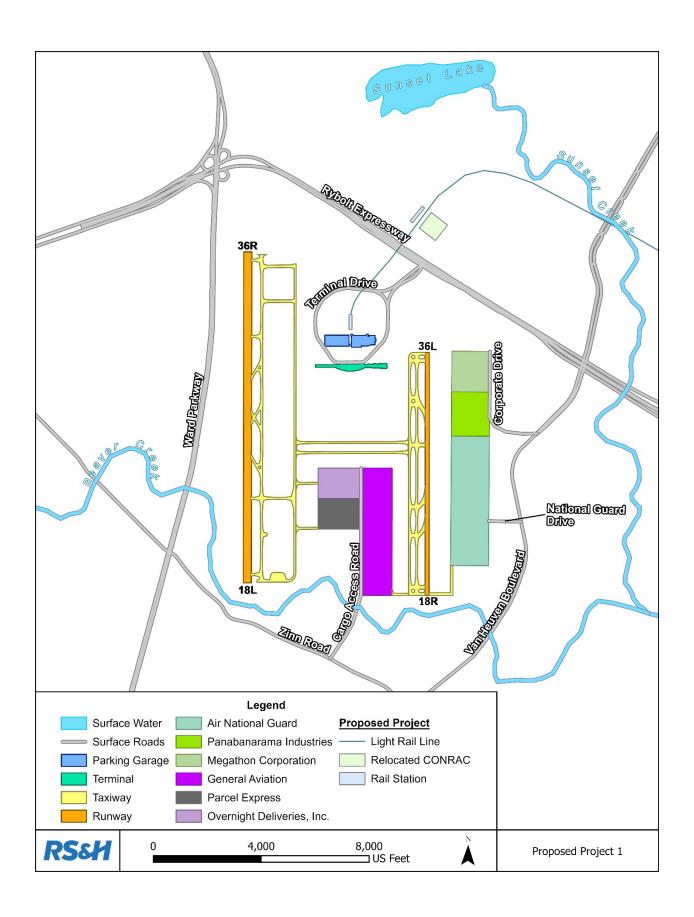
- 1. Beaver Creek, which flows to the east from Rybolt Park through ACI property, and then through Saint Joseph. Beaver Creek accepts runoff from the southern half of ACI.
- 2. Sunset Creek, which flows to the southeast and drains into Beaver Creek to the east of ACI. Sunset Creek accepts runoff from the northern half of ACI.
- 3. There are floodplains associated with both Beaver and Sunset Creeks. Both of these floodplains are the 100-year floodplains. The floodplain administrator for the City of Saint Joseph is *Autumn Warden*.
- 4. There is prime farmland on the south side of ACI, which was once part of the Chrisman Plantation. This land is currently farmed as part of the Chrisman Plantation historic village.
- 5. Sunset Lake exists north of ACI. It flows into Sunset Creek.
- 6. PFAS contaminated soils exist in the western portion of ACI and is the byproduct of previous firefighting training in the area.
- 7. There are two wetlands on ACI property. Both wetlands have been delineated and verified by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- 8. Habitat for the spotted beaver fish exists in the reach of Beaver Creek east of ACI. The spotted beaver fish is listed as threatened by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. **Aaron Brassey** is a fisheries biologist at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and he is very rigid in his review of any project that could have an effect on the spotted beaver fish. **Zach Freestone**, Self-Appointed Leader of the Friends of Beaver Creek, has a Master's Degree from Ilon University and his thesis was titled "Keeping the Spotted Beaver Fish Alive and Not Just in Our Memories".
- 9. Habitat for the eastern fringed-toed frog exists throughout the ACI vicinity. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has indicated that listing of the eastern fringed-toed bat is likely to occur in 2025. *Casey Reese* is the biologist at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with expertise in frog species. However, he works only two days per week is very difficult to contact.
- 10. Sweet thistle grass is an endangered species and exists in the southern portion of ACI. The Chrisman Plantation historic village manages the area containing known populations of sweet thistle grass.
- 11. The entire Saint Joseph metropolitan area has been designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as being in non-attainment for PM10 and NOx.



## Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport Project #1

Project #1 is the construction of a rail connection to ACI from downtown Saint Joseph and construction of a replacement consolidated rental car facility. The Director of the Metropolitan Mobility Authority (MMA), *Mark Kuttrone*, and the Mayor of Saint Joseph, *Chris Osborne*, are advocates for the project as they believe that it will result in a more reliable transportation option to access ACI and will alleviate congestion on Rybolt Expressway. The rail line would be in a tunnel between the terminal and the replacement consolidated rental car facility and then become an elevated rail line east of the replacement consolidated rental car facility. The ACI rental car consortium representative is *Steve Rybings* and he is a proponent of lower costs for all rental car agencies. The elevated rail line would bisect the Melinda Heights neighborhood and eliminate views of Sunset Lake for some Melinda Heights residents. The parking garage containing the existing consolidated rental car facility would be repurposed for public parking. The project would be funded by Passenger Facility Charges (PFCs) collected by the Airport Authority.

**Catrina Fobman** (Mayor of Rybolt Park) is vehemently opposed to the project because the rail connection would not go to Rybolt Park.

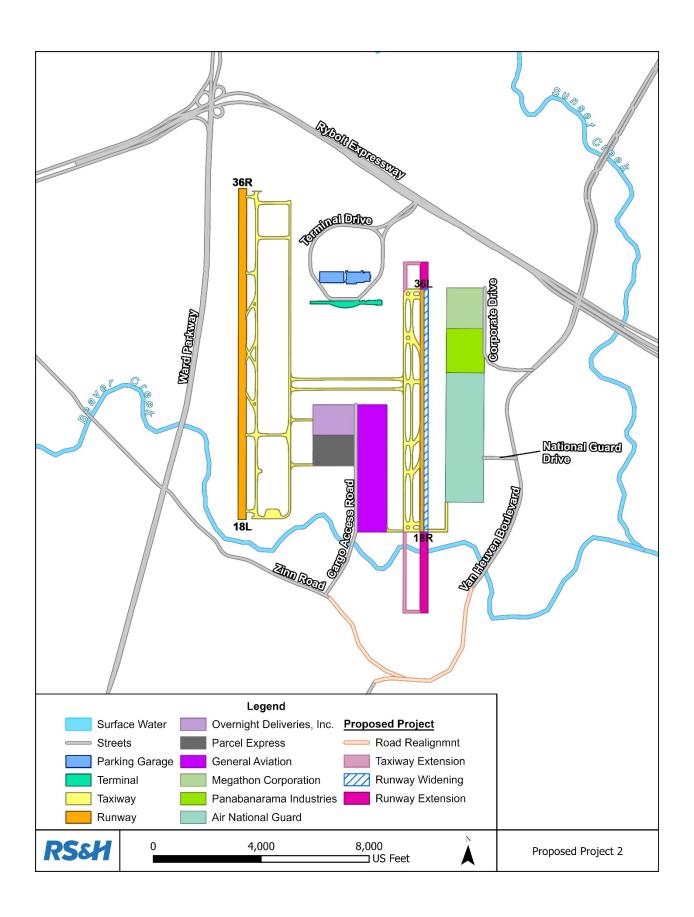


## Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport Project #2

Project #2 is an extension of Runway 18R/36L by 4,000 feet for an ultimate length of 13,000 feet.<sup>2</sup> The project also includes widening the runway to 300 feet and providing a full-length parallel taxiway and taxiway connectors. The extension is to accommodate the additional international service by FabulAir as well as allowing the Air National Guard to use the runway closest to their facility without the need to taxi across the airfield. The runway would be extended 1,000 feet to the north and 3,000 feet to the south. The project also would require realigning both Zinn Road and Van Heuven Boulevard as well as acquisition of the Van-Zinn Shopping Center.

Proponents of the project include *Katie Veederman* of FabulAir, *Cameron Modway* (ACI Director), General *Jean Wolf-Lorrie* of Fort Westerby, *Lt. Teresa Gressman* (Air National Guard), and *Chris Osborne* (Mayor of Saint Joseph). This project would be paid for through Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding. *Catrina Fobman* (Mayor of Rybolt Park) is vehemently opposed to the project. In addition, community opponents of the project have started a campaign called Citizens Against Pavement Extension (CAPE). The opponents believe that the project would increase the capacity of the airport and result in many more aircraft operations by bigger (and noisier) aircraft. The head of CAPE is *Andrew Brookings*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Airport Authority planners have indicated that it is not possible to extend Runway 18L/36R due to a long-standing agreement with the City of Rybolt Park



# Anthony Carlton Chrisman International Airport Project #3

Project #3 is the expansion of the Parcel Express cargo facility. This expansion would include an expansion of the aircraft apron to accommodate six additional aircraft, a new aircraft hangar for maintenance of Parcel Express aircraft, expansion of the existing Parcel Express warehouse facility, and expansion of truck and employee parking. No changes to existing airfield would be required. Vehicle access (trucks and employee vehicles) would be from Zinn Road via the existing Cargo Access Road.

Proponents of the project include *Brad Rolfers* of Parcel Express, *Cameron Modway* (ACI Director), and *Chris Osborne* (Mayor of Saint Joseph). This project would be paid for through Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding. *Catrina Fobman* (Mayor of Rybolt Park) is vehemently opposed to the project because that is her general nature.

