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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### Buchanan Field Airport to Simulate and Extinguish Plane Fire

Who: Contra Costa County Airport Operations, ConFire, Contra Costa County Sheriff,

Office of Emergency Services and other mutual aid agencies

What: Live fire training exercises for Aircraft Rescue and FireFighter (ARFF) personnel and

mutual aid agencies

**Where:** Buchanan Field Airport, Concord, CA (Westside, near Marsh Drive)

When: Week of October 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> with exercises each day

#### PLEASE DO NOT CALL 911 RELATED TO THESE LIVE FIRE TRAINING EXERCISES.

Cross-training with mutual aid agencies helps us to prepare for ANY emergency situations that Buchanan Field and the surround community may face. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these exercises, please contact Buchanan Field Airport at 844-FLY-ToUs (844-359-8687).

#### **About Buchanan Field Airport:**

Buchanan Field Airport is the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Logistic Support Area for rotorcraft in the event of major catastrophic events such as earthquakes or fires in the Bay Area. Buchanan Field Airport is operated and maintained without the use of County General Funds and contributes over \$4 million annually back to the County General Fund, local schools, and to other public entities from associated possessory interest and sales tax.

## **About Contra Costa County Public Works Department:**

Contra Costa County Public Works Department (CCCPWD) maintains over 660 miles of roads, 150 miles of streams, channels and other drainage and over 200 County buildings throughout Contra Costa County. CCCPWD provides services such as Parks and Recreation, Sand Bag Distribution and Flood Control throughout unincorporated areas of Contra Costa County. CCCPWD operates two airports, Buchanan Air Field in Concord and Byron Air Field in Byron. For more information about CCCPWD, please visit us here.

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