

# **Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport (AMA)**

## **Emergency Contingency Plan**

AMA has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Steven L. Picou at [steven.picou@amarillo.gov](mailto:steven.picou@amarillo.gov). AMA is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a commercial airport or (2) this airport may be used by an air carrier described in US 42301(a)(1) for diversions.

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

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
- Provided 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).

AMA has facility constraints that limit our ability to accommodate diverted flights or maintain the airport's safe operation and strongly encourage aircraft operators to contact the airport at 806.335.4403 for prior coordination of diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency.

### **Airport Information**

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### **Contact Information**

In the event of a diversion or other irregular operations event, aircraft operators should contact the Airport Operation Center (AOC) at 806.335.4403 for assistance.

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

AMA has limited equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. We will utilize this equipment to deplane passengers as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines at the contact number listed above. We will also provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed based operators and other who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving request from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the contact number listed above.

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

The gates at AMA are under common use gate leases permits, or agreements to air carriers and are controlled by the airport. We direct our common use 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 Boarder Protection**

AMA has defined sterile areas capable to handling limited numbers of international passengers. We 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.