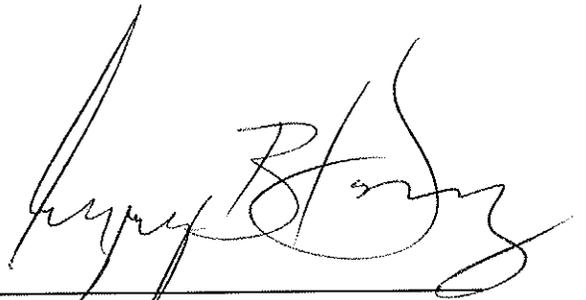


**BISMARCK AIRPORT
EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN**

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Airport Director

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Bismarck Airport 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 Timothy J. Thorsen, Bismarck's Assistant Airport Director. Bismarck Airport is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because (1) it is a commercial airport and/or (2) this airport may be used by an air carrier described in USC 42301(a)(1) for diversions.

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

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
- Provide 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 & Border Protection (CBP).

Bismarck Airport has facility constraints that may limit our ability to accommodate diverted flights and strongly encourages aircraft operators to contact the 24 hour Airport Operations Department at (701) 355-1814 or (701) 220-9885 for prior coordination of diverted flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. The Bismarck Airport through the 24 hour Airport Operations Department will work with the affected aircraft operator to accommodate diverted flights to the best of our ability to ensure the safe and efficient operation of the airport which may include coordinating with a local ground handling company and/or Fixed Based Operators (FBO).

Airport Information

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Airport Category: Non-Hub

Contact Information

In the event of a diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact the 24 hour Airport Operations Department at (701) 355-1814 or (701) 220-9885 for assistance. Tenant airlines should contact their airline's contract ground handler. Depending on the anticipated number of aircraft diversions, the Airport Operations Agent on Duty will contact Airport Administration for further coordination.

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

Bismarck Airport has limited equipment and personnel needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft. We will utilize this equipment to deplane passengers as soon as practicable after receiving requests from airlines at the contact number listed above. We will also provide contact information and options for ground handling, fixed base operators and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers as soon as practicable after receiving requests from airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the above number.

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

The gates at Bismarck Airport are assigned on a preferential use basis to tenant air carriers. However, all are owned and ultimately controlled by the airport. We will work with our tenant air carriers to make gates and other facilities available to an air carrier seeking to deplane at a gate to the maximum extent practical. If a gate is unavailable or causing a gate to become available would create an undue hardship on the air carrier with preferential use of the gate, ground loading/unloading operations will occur with an appropriate passenger loading device.

Plan to Provide a Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection

Bismarck Airport does not have international passenger processing facilities. We have coordinated with Port Director Beeter from the local office of Customs and Border Protection to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted aircraft who have not yet cleared US Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned. The Port Director and Bismarck Airport agreed that contacting the 24 hour Customs and Border Protection office at (701) 838-6704 in the unlikely event an international diversion occurs is the best, most reasonable course of action at this time. Depending on the situation, CBP officials together with Bismarck Airport staff will devise a plan of action on a case by case basis which fits the circumstances.

Access to the Emergency Contingency Plan

Bismarck Airport will provide a copy to the local ground handlers and fixed base operators for their information in the event their assistance is necessary. The approved plan will also be placed on to the Bismarck Airport's website (www.bismarckairport.com).