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Airport Land Use Commission **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Airport Land Use Commission

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Conservation, Development & Planning

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IASCO FLIGHT TRAINING AT NAPA COUNTY AIRPORT UPDATE SUBJECT:

RECOMMENDATION

IASCO FLIGHT TRAINING CENTER INFORMATION ITEM

Request: Information item concerning the status of the IASCO Flight Training Center since the departure of Japan Airlines and the new China pilot training program, located at the Napa County Airport, 2000 Airport Road, Napa

Staff Recommendation: No action.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

IASCO is a private aviation flight crew leasing and training company that provides services to aviation companies worldwide. Since the 1970's, IASCO has operated a commercial airline pilot training center from Napa County Airport servicing, until recently, primarily students from Japan Airlines. The training center includes extension classrooms and simulators located within a large building north of the airport's terminal, and numerous single and twin-engine piston driven training aircraft. Mr. Mark Thonen, Vice President and General Manager of IASCO Flight Training, will present an update of the company's activities at Napa County Airport since the departure of Japan Airlines, and give an overview of their new Chinese pilot training program. Mr. Thonen has extensive knowledge on the types of the aircraft used in their training program, as well as the characteristics of typical flight patterns used in their training programs.

A PowerPoint program will be included as part of the overview. This item is not a public hearing item, but the Commission may accept comments if any interested members of the public wish to speak.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This information item is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

Airport Land Use Commission: Approve

Reviewed By: John McDowell