The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is implementing a nearly $400 million capital improvement program over the next three years at Midway International Airport that will significantly upgrade the travel experience for years to come. The Midway Modernization Program (MMP) will bring new and expanded concessions, a larger security checkpoint area, and an enhanced terminal parking garage.

The CDA will oversee a phased approach to construction on MMP projects to minimize traffic impacts to the surrounding community and to maintain seamless operations at Midway to keep employees and travelers moving through the airport.

**Security Checkpoint Expansion**

- Temporary exit lane leaving the Checkpoint area has been reconfigured for a few weeks to allow finishing work inside of exit lane.
  - Passengers currently routed through TSA pre-check queuing space (area currently closed due to low passenger volume).
  - Exit lane configuration will be restored to its previous configuration by the second week of May.
- Roof installation continues on the expanded TSA checkpoint over Cicero Avenue.
- South baggage claim area remains partitioned off with lower level door #1 still open.
- Elevator and escalator installation in south baggage claim is ongoing.
- Steel erection in baggage makeup to get underway in mid-May with nightly safety lockouts of conveyor system in basement.

We recognize the disruption construction can cause and thank you for your patience as we make much needed improvements. We hope you will join in our excitement as we watch a Modern Midway rise up around us!

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Terminal Parking Garage Enhancements

- New wayfinding signage will be installed in terminal lots to enhance passengers’ experience when parking or dropping off/picking up.
- Installation of PARCs equipment continues at garage entrances including: terminal garage, economy garage, daily lot, cell phone lot, and various employee lots.
  - Some temporary and partial closures to entrances/exits will be necessary, but efforts will be made to maintain access where possible.
  - Equipment is also being tested and calibrated to ensure it functions properly.
  - Work expected to last through end of summer.
- Upgrades to passenger elevators in terminal garage lobbies and improvements to parking spaces, lighting, painting, and safety features are ongoing.

Concessions Redevelopment Program

- The Concessions Redevelopment Program will reflect Chicago’s diversity and showcase the best of local options and brands through a $75 million private partnership investment. With more than 70 offerings planned, the effort will double concessions jobs from 700 to 1,400.

  Current construction work is on hold until further notice.

Building System Improvements

Travelers and employees may notice brief, closures in the terminal and concourses for system upgrades. This includes some daytime work in the Central Market in May and June. Cones and soft barriers (drapes) will mark off work areas. An 8-foot walkway will be maintained for employees and passengers. Temporary closures at gates/waiting areas (two at a time) in Concourse A continue through May and then move to Concourse B in June and July. Extra seating will be available. System improvements will last through this summer, but should not affect overall operations or travelers.

Prior to the temporary halt in construction, three new restaurants were completed: Gene’s Bistro, Tallboy Tacos and Big Bowl. Opening dates are still to be determined.

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