

ELEVATE BUR

GET READY FOR AN UPGRADE

The Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority (BGPAA) is working with the community and neighboring cities to build a replacement passenger terminal – a safer, modern, and more convenient facility at Hollywood Burbank Airport. The project is known as Elevate BUR.

The new terminal will provide the same convenience of flying to or from Los Angeles, Hollywood, and the San Fernando Valley that air travelers enjoy now. It will also provide greater user amenities that will elevate the airport experience without expanding the current airport footprint. Following years of extensive input, we're excited to make an investment in this region—at no cost to local taxpayers—and create a terminal that will benefit travelers, our communities, and the local economy.

How We Got Here

The airport has been operating since 1930. The existing terminal is 232,000 square feet with 14 gates. Operationally, the airport needs numerous upgrades when it comes to current expectations for safety and facility configuration, especially with growing passenger activity.

In 2016, voters in the City of Burbank approved Measure B - an agreement between the City of Burbank and the BGPAA. It gives the BGPAA the right to build a 14-gate, 355,000-square-foot replacement passenger terminal north of the existing site.

An Elevated Design

Unveiled in 2023, the new terminal design concept is known as the "Icon," inspired by the glitz and glamour of Hollywood and film industry's roots. It was selected based on community feedback, including comments from a public survey, design charrettes, and the BGPAA's agreement with the City of Burbank.



An Elevated Travel Experience

We're designing an airport experience that showcases everything our area has to offer while providing the convenient travel experience passengers expect at BUR. We're giving you more space—355,000 square feet to be exact—filled with new and modern features surrounding our 14 gates.



New Amenities: The new terminal will offer a variety of options for shopping and dining, upgraded restrooms, and more space to move about. A new ticketing lobby, baggage screening system, and updated TSA checkpoint will make it easier to get to your gate—so you can sit back and relax before your flight. For arriving passengers, we're creating a new baggage claim area that will help make it a smoother journey to your final destination.



Improved Access & Safety: The safety of our passengers and employees is our priority. The design of the new facility includes added distance between airport runways and the terminal building. It also includes updates to meet current earthquake design and ADA accessibility standards. For passengers, we're including a 45,900-square-foot aircraft parking area for boarding and deplaning, a new parking structure with EV charging, and a new on-airport access road.



Sustainable Solutions: As part of our commitment to air emissions reduction and sustainability, the new terminal is designed to reduce the airport's overall emissions and achieve a minimum of LEED Silver certification. Sustainable features include electrical vehicle charging, electric ground service equipment airside, water use reduction connections to our regional transit network among many other features.

Project Timeline

View an extended project timeline here.



Funding Information

Elevate BUR is to be funded through a combination of applicable federal airport improvement grants, Passenger Facility Charge revenues, Airport Authority funds and from the Authority's issuance of General Airport Revenue Bonds to be supported by a pledge of airport revenues.

The airlines serving the airport will pay rates, fees, and charges equal to the remaining requirement after the consideration of annual debt payments, operating expenses, and revenues generated from the nonairline related businesses operating at the airport. Nonairline sources of revenue to offset the cost of debt will be from users of the Airport such as concessionaires, hangar tenants, and parking fees.

No state, county or local funds from the Tri-Cities of Burbank, Glendale and Pasadena will be used to pay for the project.

What to Expect

Residents & Local Businesses

Our goal is to be a good neighbor throughout construction. The new terminal is being built on existing Airport property, which will inherently limit construction impacts to surrounding neighbors and Burbank residents.

To keep the community informed, information on all grading, demolition, and construction activities will be available on the Airport's website and notifications will be sent to residents and businesses. The public can call (818) 306-3028 24-hours a day to report noise disturbances or other issues.

Travelers

Hollywood Burbank Airport will be fully operational during construction, which should not affect travelers' plans. Once the new 14-gate passenger terminal is complete, the old terminal will be demolished within 12 months and the taxiways will be extended.

For more information, please visit our Frequently Asked Questions page.