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## **NEW FAA AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER OPENS AT NORTH LAS VEGAS AIRPORT Grand Opening Ceremonies Thursday, May 23, 2002**

Federal, State, and local officials will celebrate the Grand Opening of the new Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Air Traffic Control Tower at North Las Vegas Airport on Thursday, May 23, 2002, at 10 a.m.

The first of its kind, the design of the new FAA Air Traffic Control Tower is the prototype for medium activity airports. It will be the standard for future towers constructed at other medium activity airports.

The new Air Traffic Control Tower facility will accommodate air traffic controllers, supervisors, and airport support personnel. The new location at the east side of the airport will enhance controllers' ability to monitor aircraft movements. This will ensure safety of air traffic operations while allowing for present and future aviation demands.

"The growth of general aviation in our valley presents us with a unique planning challenge," said Randall H. Walker, Director of the Clark County Department of Aviation. "The North Las Vegas Airport is the second busiest airport in the state (in terms of take-offs and landings) and the new air traffic control tower will help us efficiently and safely handle a variety of aircraft operations."

The Clark County Department of Aviation operates the North Las Vegas Airport as a general aviation reliever airport for McCarran International Airport.

The new FAA Air Traffic Control Tower facility is located at 3700 Thunderbird Road, off Simmons Road between Carey and Cheyenne Avenue.

**PHOTO OP: Guided tower tours for all interested News Media.  
Map is attached.**

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