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Take these tips for an improved Thanksgiving trip

LAS VEGAS – A harried pace, crowded airports and planes, coupled with unpredictable pre-winter weather conditions can make flying during the Thanksgiving period a stressful time for even the savviest air travelers. Still, following these simple steps can help everyone's holiday getaways to begin and end on a positive note. The airport's busiest days this holiday period will occur on Wednesday, Sunday and Monday, when 110,000+daily passengers are expected.

"Whether it's in Las Vegas or some other destination, travelers who understand what they're doing and know how to do it will come out ahead," said Randall H. Walker, director of the Clark County Department of Aviation. "Please think about how to get yourself through the airport most efficiently well before you arrive at the airport. Planning ahead can make all the difference this time of year."

Travel Tips

- Liquids, gels and aerosols should be placed in checked luggage whenever possible. If those items must be personally carried through a security checkpoint, they should be stored in containers sized 3 ounces or less, and be placed within a one-quart sealable clear plastic bag. Items that do not meet these specifications must be surrendered.
- Do not pack or bring prohibited items to the airport. Visit <u>www.tsa.gov</u> for a complete list.
- Be prepared to show your boarding pass and valid photo identification at the security checkpoints.
- Carry-on is restricted to one bag and one personal item, which includes purses, laptops, briefcases, diaper bags and pillows.
- Only ticketed passengers are allowed to go through security checkpoints. To meet unaccompanied minors or assist a disabled traveler, please visit your airline's ticket counter in advance to obtain written authorization.
- Check for travel updates, shopping deals, parking updates and other information at McCarran's Facebook and Twitter sites.

Parking Tips

- For 24-hour parking information please call McCarran's Parking Office at 261-5122.
- Additional details on airport parking (including maps, fees and oversized vehicle parking) are available at www.mccarran.com
- McCarran's Long Term parking garage and Valet Parking areas tend to fill early over Thanksgiving weekend.
- An uncovered Economy Lot is located off of Paradise Road just south of Tropicana. Oversized vehicles should use the Remote Lot on Gilespie Street just north of Warm Springs Road.
- Travelers using uncovered lots should set aside at least 30 additional minutes to be shuttled to or from the airport.
- Short Term parking and the passenger pick-up curb will also be busy. Before coming to the airport to pick someone up, please check their flight status by visiting www.mccarran.com or calling 261-4636.
- After your trip, save time and pay for parking before you return to your car at any of the bright yellow Express Exit kiosks.
- Road construction is occurring near the Airport Connector Tunnel, though the tunnel is NOT scheduled to close at any time.

