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## Overnight power shutdown planned at McCarran Airport D Concourse will be limited to backup electricity for approximately eight hours beginning August 25 at 12:01 a.m.; some services will be temporarily unavailable

LAS VEGAS – The Clark County Department of Aviation and Nevada Power have scheduled a temporary power shutdown that will affect McCarran International Airport's D concourse late Friday evening and early Saturday.

This planned power loss is a necessary step in the construction of utility services for McCarran's Terminal 3 project. The shutdown was scheduled during a period of minimal air traffic to reduce inconvenience to travelers and businesses operating at McCarran.

Flight operations will not be restricted during the outage, which will last from midnight through 8 a.m.

From approximately 10 p.m. Friday through 10 a.m. Saturday, food and beverage sales within the D concourse will be limited to "grab and go" items. Retail stores, slots and automated teller machines will not function until power is fully restored. Excluding beverages, which cannot be carried through the D gates security checkpoints, travelers are encouraged to address these needs prior to proceeding through the security checkpoint. Shops and eateries located outside the checkpoints will open at 5 a.m. Saturday to accommodate customers who would otherwise shop or dine within the D concourse.

Additional airport staff will be on duty to assist travelers when boarding and exiting the tram between Terminal 1 and the D concourse. Airline and ground service crews will use backup power and generators to process passengers arriving or departing on the 42 flights scheduled at the D concourse over the course of the power shutdown. Restrooms, elevators and life safety systems will remain operational throughout the outage, though air conditioning and escalators will be limited or shut down.

McCarran's security checkpoints will operate normally. The power outage should not prompt travelers to arrive early; operational delays are not expected.

Airlines with scheduled operations in the D concourse are AirTran, Alaska, Allegiant, American, Continental, Delta, Frontier, jetBlue, Midwest, Northwest, Spirit and United/Ted. **Flights using the A, B and C concourses, as well as Terminal 2, will not be affected.** 

Editors Note: Clark County Director of Aviation Randall H. Walker will be available for interviews at McCarran today at 2:30 p.m. near the Cannon Aviation Museum on the second floor overlooking north Baggage Claim. Please call Chris Jones at (702) 261-5290 for additional information.

