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## Clark County Officials Advise Travelers on How to Navigate Airport Security

McCarran International Airport is still operating under heightened security. Certain items have been prohibited in carry-on luggage by the Transportation Safety Administration. Due to the impacts of these enhanced security measures, airport officials are distributing informational flyers to travelers in line at the security checkpoint.

The general public is being notified through a variety of communication channels. "McCarran International Airport officials are doing everything they can to lessen the impact of the enhanced security measures," said Clark County Commissioner Rory Reid, whose district includes the airport and much of the Las Vegas Strip. "A hotline has been established to let travelers know what they can and cannot bring to the airport. In addition, starting tomorrow, travelers will be able to use their PDAs and go to <a href="www.flymccarran.com">www.flymccarran.com</a> to get the latest information on flight arrivals and departures. McCarran was going to launch this new feature next week, but in light of what is occurring we want to be proactive with information."

Travelers can call the hotline at (702) 261-4990 to receive up-to-date information, 24 hours a day, on prohibited items and what to expect at McCarran. As of today, travelers are being advised to come three to four hours in advance of their departure. If in doubt, travelers should contact their airline for flight information on departures and arrivals. Or, travelers can log on to McCarran's Web site at <a href="https://www.mccarran.com">www.mccarran.com</a>.

"To get through security as quickly as possible, passengers should really try to check all their luggage," said Randall H. Walker, Director of Aviation for McCarran International Airport. "Only essential items such as identification and medication should be carried on the plane."

Passengers may not have liquids or gels of any size at the screening checkpoint or in the cabin of the aircraft. The following items will not be allowed in carry-on luggage, but may be transported in checked luggage:

- Beverages
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Suntan lotion
- Cream
- Toothpaste
- Hair gel
- Other items of similar consistency

In addition, beverages purchased in the sterile area must be consumed before boarding the aircraft.

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