

Update on the San Diego International Airport (SDIA)

Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Services



Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Establishes ARFF Requirements

- Equipment
- Communications
- Training
- Response Times





City of San Diego Fire Fighters

- City of San Diego Fire Fighters staff the SDIA ARFF station.
- 24 fire fighters are assigned to the ARFF station. Each is assigned to an 8-person squad, and each squad works a 24-hour shift on every third day.
- As many as 24 additional City Fire Fighters are ARFF certified and they also provide ARFF response at SDIA

SDIA ARFF Station

- Owned by the Authority
- Communications room, training room, truck bays, kitchen/dining, sleeping quarters and exercise room.
- FAA Control Tower emergency phone links directly into the station P A system



ARFF Vehicles

- Authority owns all four ARFF vehicles
- Specially designed for aircraft response
- FAA regulations specify the number of ARFF vehicles at each airport - based on aircraft size and number of operations
- 80% of ARFF vehicle purchase is paid for with FAA funds



ARFF Responsibilities

- Aircraft Alerts
- Fuel Spills
- Response Tests
- Participation in Exercises



ARFF Contract



- Current contract was originally executed in 1982 between the Port and the City
- The contract was amended in 1992 and transferred to the Authority in 2003
- Current ARFF contract annual budget is \$5 Million
- A new contract has been drafted by the Authority and is currently being reviewed by the City



Questions?

