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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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2054203

To: Airport Manager, Ft Worth Alliance Airport, (AFW), TX., FAA (AAS-1)

Info: FAA (AAS-300, AVP-1, AVP-200, AJI-144, ATM AFW Tower, ASW-600, AFS-260, AFS

-200, Director of Air Traffic Operations CSA), A4A, AAAE, ALPA, AOPA, APA, ASAP, CAPA, ATSAP, ATSG, IATA, IBT, ICAO, ICASS, IFALPA, IPA, NATCA, NBAA, NTSB,

RAA, SWAPA

From: Becky L. Hooey, Director

NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System

Re: AFW Airport Construction Crane Operations

We recently received ASRS reports describing a safety concern that may involve your area of operational responsibility. We do not have sufficient details to assess either the factual accuracy or possible gravity of the report. It is our policy to relay the reported information to the appropriate authority for evaluation and any necessary follow-up. We feel you should be aware of the enclosed deidentified report.

To properly assess the usefulness of our alert message service, we would appreciate it if you would take the time to give us your feedback on the value of the information that we have provided. Please contact Dr. Becky Hooey at (408) 541-2854 or email at becky.l.hooey@nasa.gov.





ACN 2054203	
DATE / TIME	
Date of Occurrence	202311
Local Time Of Day	1201 to 1800
PLACE	
Locale	AFW.Airport
State	TX
Altitude - AGL	0
AIRCRAFT / EQUIPMENT X	
Make Model Name	Commercial Fixed Wing
Operating Under FAR Part	121
PERSON 1	
Function - Dispatch	Dispatcher
ASRS Report Number	2054203
EVENTS	
Anomaly	ATC Issue - All Types
Anomaly	Deviation / Discrepancy - Procedural - Published
	Material / Policy
Detector - Person	Dispatch
Result - General	None Reported / Taken
NARRATIVE 1	

AFW has several NOTAMs that say, "Except when advised by ATCT that this crane is down." If you call AFW ATC they don't know if the crane is up or down. If you call Airport Operations they don't know if the crane is up or down. If the crane is up, that restricts planes from performing CAT II/III approaches to the south and raises CAT I minimums. At XA:47 on the Dispatch phone line I called Airport Operations and they informed me that those NOTAMs were published by the FAA and that they never received a debrief on "the crane" from anyone.

Have better cross-communication between whoever publishes NOTAMs and the affected airport personnel.

SYNOPSIS

Dispatcher reported that information on crane status, needed for the proper application of several temporary approach restrictions at AFW, was unavailable from the agency described in the text of the NOTAMs as having that knowledge regarding the impact of the construction cranes on AFW operations. When the crane is up, CAT 1 minimums are affected and planes are restricted from CAT 2 and 3 approaches. Calls to Airport Operations and ATC reportedly yielded no information.