## ITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS AUTHORITY

## **Terminal Improvement Project**

In 1996, the Airports Authority completed an architectural milestone with the expansion of the original 1962 Terminal to its design length. Careful attention to the design documents of original architect Eero Saarinen and painstaking construction resulted in a seamless building with accompanying expanded roadways at its front door.

The next challenge was to build the interior facilities in the Terminal to make the original core building as functional and customer efficient as the facilities found in the expanded areas of the Terminal.

## **Customer Benefits:**

- Travelers and airlines have more ticket counters and baggage carousels and improved concessions and service facilities.
- A new underground level was constructed for airline use to improve baggage handling and delivery.
- A new security screening area will accommodate more passengers, streamline the screening process and serve as the central entrance to the new Airport Train System.

Renovation of both the ticketing and baggage claim levels of the original 1962 section of the Terminal was completed in 2005. This project has the most impact on passengers as the Airports Authority continues to provide more efficient ticketing and baggage claim facilities. Ticket counter kiosks and baggage claim devices were upgraded, and match the facilities in the east and west extensions of the buildina.

Construction of a new below-grade east baggage basement supports the expanded Terminal baggage systems with a 97,000 square foot facility that is linked to the Terminal via a tunnel.

Construction of a new two-level east baggage

basement, a 40,000 square foot facility, will provide space for additional baggage carousels. It also provides space for future facilities once the existing temporary baggage building is demolished.

## Contractors:

Design: Construction:	Skidmore, Owings and Merril Centex-Gilford, A Joint Venture
Completion:	April 2005
Program Costs:	\$174.2

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