

Will Rogers World Airport

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Four New Areas Open at Will Rogers World Airport As Construction Progress Continues

OKLAHOMA CITY – The upcoming holiday weekend promises to maintain the upward trend of air traffic growth for Will Rogers World Airport. And while the terminal will be busy with holiday traffic, travelers will be able to take advantage of several construction milestones.



The underground walkway connecting the parking garages and the terminal building was opened to the public this week. The walkway had been closed for nearly a year-and-a-half to facilitate construction work on the arrival and departure roadways, installation of new escalators in the center of the terminal and masonry work on the columns that span the baggage claim and ticket lobbies. The walkway provides climate-controlled access to the terminal and has been given a bright new look, with skylights, new terrazzo flooring and light colored walls.

New escalators accessing the terminal were also put into operation this week. Once hidden by a wall at the end of the tunnel, the new escalators are now visible, and directly in front of, persons approaching the building from the parking garages.

In addition to the new escalators, a new elevator was put into operation. This

elevator services the new ticket lobby and baggage claim areas and eliminates the previous construction detour to the old portion of the building.

Paradies/Kamber's has opened another retail store. CNBC Express is located pre-security and offers airport visitors a variety of convenience items. The kiosk, which is located in the ticket lobby across from the American Airlines ticket counter, offers items such as beverages, snacks and magazines. A plasma screen monitor broadcasts CNBC news to the public throughout the day.

Next week, CA One Services will open a small, temporary food operation that will provide beverages and snacks for visitors that are not traveling and cannot pass through the security checkpoint. Plans are in development for a permanent, sit-down eatery pre-security.

Other construction work continues to move forward. Three additional bays in the ticket lobby and baggage claim levels will be the next significant areas to be completed late this fall and will be the permanent locations for the Southwest and United Airlines' ticket counters and baggage claim areas.

