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## **Nashville International Airport To Start Construction on New Rental Car Facility**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority is starting construction of a new 900,000 square-foot consolidated rental car facility, or CONRAC, on Monday, Feb. 22.

CONRAC will be located in Nashville International Airport's (BNA) current Long Term A lot, adjacent to the north side of the existing short-term parking garage. When construction is complete, rental car companies will be relocated from the short-term garage and terminal areas to the new facility – a move that will free up an additional 600 covered parking spaces in the current short-term garage for BNA patrons. The new rental car facility has a projected opening date of November 2011.

“This facility will help us continue to provide passengers with the Nashville Airports Experience - the best possible experience at the airport, and is going to be a great addition to BNA,” said Raul Regalado, MNAA president and CEO. “It will make the rental car process more efficient and environmentally friendly.”

### **CONRAC HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Three-level concrete structure housing 2,400 rental cars
- Covered entry plaza on first level providing access to the terminal
- Up to 21,000 square feet of covered walkways
- Escalators, elevators and moving walkways for quick access to each level
- Quick-turnaround (QTA) facility with car wash bays and fueling stations
- QTA facility will help save 800,000 miles of driving per year by not having to send the rental cars off-site for service
- Space for rental car companies
- Numerous environmentally sustainable features, including the use of recycled water for washing rental cars, energy-efficient lighting, a lighting management system to adjust light levels based on natural lighting, and a greenscreen wall covered in vegetation

As a result of construction, a portion of Long Term A parking lot will be permanently closed; but visitors can park in the new Long Term B lot. For the first week of construction, Feb. 22-26, visitors may park **free** of charge for one day in Long Term B.

**Visitors are urged to use the Donelson Pike exit 216B, as the best way to get from I-40 and access the Long Term B and Economy parking lots.**

BNA offers a frequent parker program to allow travelers to earn free parking, enjoy easier access in and out of gated parking lots, and make payments online at [www.flynashville.com](http://www.flynashville.com). For up-to-date information about airport construction and the ongoing renovations at BNA, sign up for AIRreport, the airport's e-newsletter, at [www.flynashville.com](http://www.flynashville.com). Or, tune in to the airport's radio station at 1610 AM.

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The Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority (MNAA) was established in 1970, and owns and operates the Nashville International Airport (BNA) and John C. Tune Airport (JWN). For more information, please visit [www.flynashville.com](http://www.flynashville.com).