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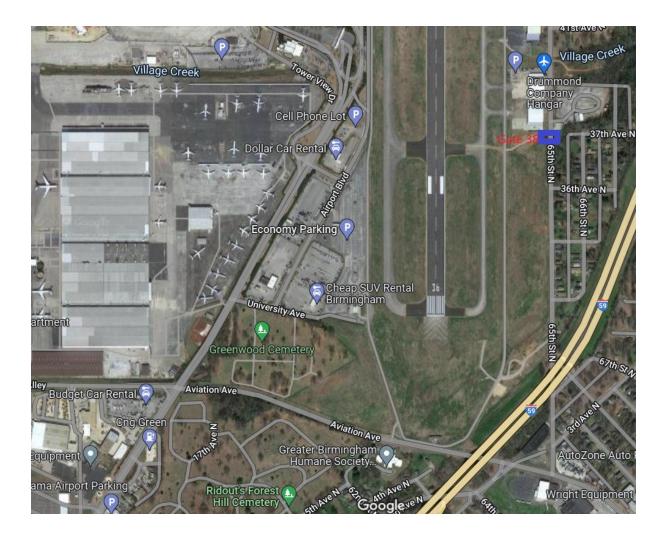
Birmingham Airport Authority to Conduct Emergency Preparedness Drill

BIRMINGHAM, AL (May 17, 2022) – The Birmingham Airport Authority will conduct a full-scale disaster drill on Thursday, May 19, 2022. The drill will start at 10:30am.

The drill is referred to as the Triennial and is a readiness and coordination exercise that is mandated by the Federal Aviation Administration. The goal is to create a realistic simulation of an aircraft incident that involves mass casualties and a significant emergency response.

In the event of an actual emergency, the Airport Authority will rely on many emergency service providers and law enforcement agencies. These partners are invited to participate in the drill. There will also be dozens of volunteers participating so that emergency crews can practice the different elements of response that would be required during an incident including triage, transporting of the wounded, and identifying victims.

Members of the media who would like to attend the disaster drill can contact Airport Public Information Officer, Kim Hunt, at <u>Khunt@flybirmingham.com</u>. Members of the media are asked to arrive by 10:00am and report to Gate 38, which is shown in the aerial map below. Gate security will show you where to park.



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As Alabama's largest commercial airport, Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport has served as a gateway to the sky for 90 years. Governed by the Birmingham Airport Authority, the airport continues to be a catalyst for growth and economic development for the entire region. For more information, visit <u>flybirmingham.com</u> or follow BHM on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

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