



**May 19, 2015**

## **Airport Atlanta Fire Rescue Department to Simulate and Extinguish Plane Fire**

*Training exercise is part of annual certification for Airport rescue firefighters*

**WHO:**

Atlanta Fire Rescue Department and firefighters

**WHAT:**

The Atlanta Fire Rescue Department will conduct live burn training exercises for rescue and firefighter personnel at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

**WHEN:**

Wednesday, May 20 from 8:00 a.m. until Noon

**WHERE:**

AFRD Training Facility (Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport)

(This event is closed to the media)

**Notes:**

Please advise readers/viewers that this is strictly a TRAINING EXERCISE. There will be heavy dark smoke as a result of this drill that can be seen from the interstate which may cause a high volume of phone calls from motorists and residents.

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### **Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport**

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 96.1 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and nearly 70 international destinations in more than 45 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, architectural engineering and construction – including the 2013 Global Efficiency Excellence Award from the Air Transport Research Society, 2013 Project of the Year, Architectural Category for the Maynard H. Jackson Jr. International Terminal from the American

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