CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION

The Lincoln Regional Airport, which is located on the west side and a part of the City of Lincoln, Placer County, California, is a general aviation airport classified by the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Reference Code (ARC) System as a C III airport. This airport serves the general aviation requirements of the air trade area, which generally consists of the City of Lincoln, the southwestern portion of Placer County, and a significant portion of the northern part of Sacramento County. The Airport is owned and operated by the City of Lincoln.

The original Master Plan for the Lincoln Regional Airport was prepared by the office of Reinard W. Brandley in 1976. At that time the airport consisted of three short runways in a triangular configuration, a fourth runway running north-south through the center of the triangular layout, and the general aviation apron and a small hangar located in the southwestern corner of the property. At that time the airport served 15 to 20 aircraft.

The 1976 Master Plan anticipated significant growth in the use of the airport and recommended a single 6,000-foot long north-south runway with a parallel taxiway located 900 feet center to center to the east of the runway in order to allow for the possible future construction of a parallel runway located 700 feet from the main runway. This would permit simultaneous VFR operations on both runways. The aircraft tie down apron and hangar development was proposed for the east side of the airport.

The airport was constructed following the recommendations of the 1976 Master Plan. There has been significant growth in both based aircraft and aircraft operations since that time, and it is anticipated that the airport will continue to grow if plans are developed that allow the orderly growth of the facility.

A Master Plan Study, including an Airport Layout Plan Update, was performed in 2004 by Mead & Hunt, Inc. 2002 data were used in preparation of the study. The results of this study were included in their report entitled, Lincoln Regional Airport Master Plan, Lincoln, California dated October 2004. The Airport Layout Plan was approved by the F.A.A. in February of 2006.

The office of Reinard W. Brandley was retained in 2006/2007 to update the based aircraft and aircraft operations forecasts using current data and to review and update the Airport Layout Plans. This Master Plan includes the results of this study and the revised Airport Layout Plan set of drawings. In this report the data included in the Mead & Hunt Master Plan are included where applicable with the source of data indicated.