



ENGLAND TALKING POINTS WHOLE BASE TRANSFER DECEMBER 8, 2011



ENGLAND AFB HISTORY

- England AFB was constructed as Alexandria Municipal Airport in 1942 and in the same year was activated as Alexandria Army Air Base.
- Missions included training for pilots and crew to fly bombers and fighter jets as well as maintaining aircraft.
- In 1955, the base was officially designated as a permanent Air Force facility and renamed England AFB in honor of Lieutenant Colonel John. B. England who served more than 108 combat missions during WWII and sacrificed his life for others to live while landing in fog in France.
- Former England AFB historically supported sustaining American military airpower and providing defense for our nation.
- England AFB was included in the 1991 BRAC round and officially closed in December 1992.



England Air Force Base Control Tower,
circa 1953



Aerial shot of England Airpark, 2010



Alexandria International Airport,
James L. Meyer Terminal Building, 2006

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES AND PROPERTY TRANSFER

- Air Force continues to work closely with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and Environmental Protection Agency to ensure environmental cleanup satisfies all regulatory standards and protects human health and the environment for 2,331 acres.
- As part of the regulatory requirements for property transfer, environmental sites have been either remediated or are operating property and successfully.
- First property transfer was for 1 acre in November 1995 to the City followed by the Airport Parcel Transfer of 1,003 acres in 1998. The final transfer of property occurred on September 30, 2011, and consisted of the remaining portion of 628 acres which included the majority of the environmental restoration sites.
- The Air Force has spent \$47 million on a variety of remedial actions at different source sites, with another \$3.8 million budgeted to complete the work.
- There are a total of 275 environmental sites; 246 sites have been successfully closed; 29 remain open and are currently under remediation.

ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT/ENGLAND AIRPARK

- Alexandria International Airport has commercial flights to Houston, Dallas and Atlanta.
- Located in the heart of Central Louisiana (locals refer to this as CENLA), England Airpark supports several successful mixed used developments including premier senior citizen living, offices, warehouses, heavy manufacturing, and Alexandria International Airport.

PATH FORWARD

- Air Force is committed to protect human health and the environment which entails active involvement for years to come to complete the environmental cleanup.
- Air Force and the England Airpark will continue to work together to address environmental concerns.
- England Airpark will continue to develop property as part of the 2009 Master Plan Update.