

## CREATIVE CONSERVATION: FLAGSHIP IMPLEMENTS SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION AT SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Owned and operated by San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, **San Diego International Airport (SAN)** is one of the world's busiest single-runway commercial service airports and the third-busiest airport in California. **Environmental stewardship is a hallmark of operations at the airport**, which was one of the first to institute a sustainability policy to guide its environmental, social, and economic practices.

### ! THE CHALLENGE

Like many airports, San Diego International Airport utilizes jet bridges for passenger loading and unloading. However, as the airport's longstanding facilities maintenance partner, **Flagship noted a significant issue: excessive water leakage from the jet bridges caused by condensation**. Faced with this challenge, the airport sought a solution that not only resolved the leakage but also **aligned with its sustainability goals**.

### ✓ THE SOLUTION

Together with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, a local company specializing in waste management, **Flagship developed a creative strategy to conserve water leaking from the jet bridges**. As part of this approach, a 55-gallon drum was placed beneath each jet bridge to capture and store any excess water. **This water is now repurposed to power several different maintenance tools**, including pressure washers, carpet shampooers, and other cleaning equipment.



### ↑↑ THE OUTCOME

Thanks to this water conservation program, **San Diego International Airport has reused thousands of gallons of water for its facilities maintenance operations**. This initiative aligns with the airport's sustainability objectives while enhancing its reputation as an eco-friendly travel hub.

Flagship is committed to supporting its clients' sustainability efforts, from recycling and green-cleaning programs to the implementation of renewable energy. By partnering with industry leaders and employing innovative problem-solving techniques, **Flagship is advancing sustainable facilities maintenance to create a greener future**.