

A flying leap

Palmdale opening is a major step in airport regionalization

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LOS Angeles took a leap into airport regionalization, which came from the sky in the form of a United jet.

The airline last week launched twice-daily service between Palmdale Airport and San Francisco.

It's nothing close to the volume of Los Angeles International Airport, but it's the first real step toward establishing the Antelope Valley as an important part of regionalizing air traffic.

The city-bound LAX can and should only grow so much. Already the overtaxed behemoth is a burden to its neighbors. Air-traffic growth must be contained primarily in regional outposts such as the Antelope Valley and Ontario.

We welcome United to Palmdale and hope to say the same to other air carriers soon.

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