

Moriarty Municipal Airport

The Moriarty Municipal Airport is a general aviation airport located three miles east of Moriarty, New Mexico. It was reportedly activated in 1967 with one east-west runway however earlier maps show an airfield in this area. A second runway heading north-south was constructed in the mid-2010's. The airport handles a considerable amount of glider activity.

Prior to the opening of the Moriarty airport, an airfield existed near Otto, New Mexico, seven miles north of Moriarty. This was an original airfield located along the Los Angeles to Amarillo airway established in 1929. It was constructed for navigation and as an emergency landing site for the nation's first commercial transcontinental air service.



Aerial view of the Moriarty Municipal Airport prior to construction of the north-south runway.



Ramp at the Moriarty Municipal Airport.



Navigational equipment dating back to the late 1920's still on site at the former airfield at Otto, New Mexico, seven miles north of Moriarty.





This old structure on the grounds of the Moriarty Airport is believed to have been relocated from the former Otto airfield. The building has the name "Otto" painted on the south side of the roof and "LA-A 73A" painted on the north side of the roof. This was done as the Otto airfield was an emergency landing strip and beacon #73 located on the original Los Angeles to Amarillo airway established in the late 1920's.