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Airport Lots To Cut Down On Curbside Cell Phone Lots To Officially Open Monday At Midway, O'Hare



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(CBS) CHICAGO A new system at O'Hare and Midway Airports is designed to make picking up passen

CBS 2's Rafael Romo reports the idea is to have fewer people waiting curbside.

The next time you go to the airport, you will find signs that direct you to new cell phone lots where p passengers.

"The purpose of our cell phone lots is to provide a free, temporary waiting area for motorists to park family to deplane, collect their baggage, and call from their cell phones to be picked up curbside," sa Spokeswoman Wendy Abrams.

The 150-space lot at O'Hare Airport will be opened at Economy Parking Lot F, accessible via the Nort lot at Midway Airport will be located at Cicero Avenue and 61st Street, just south of the main airport

To park at the cell phone lot, you will have to observe a few simple rules. Drivers should always stay hour limit.

Violators will be towed, but the good news is that the parking lot is free.

"I think it's a good idea, at least for the short term, to see how it goes. I don't know if it will necessa circling around the airport," said passenger Marie Roy.

"Circling around is bad. You need somewhere to be able to park, like in Denver. We just came from L where you can wait up to 45 minutes," said passenger David Davies.

In fact, O'Hare and Midway are two of more than 30 airports in the United States that already have c
At O'Hare, they will open 150 parking spaces.

"I think we're going to need more than 150 spaces because I think when people catch on, it's going t
are going to have people circling out of the lot at all times, so the parking lot will have to increase th
passenger Hal Pristovnik.

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