

November 27, 2018

Mayor Tim Knapp  
Wilsonville City Council  
29799 SW Town Center Loop E  
Wilsonville, OR 97070

**Re: Improving Aurora State Airport**

Mayor Knapp and Councilors,

I live in Tualatin however use the Aurora Airport for business. The runway extension is important to me and many others.

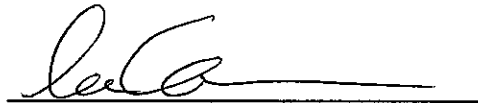
Extending the runway will improve safety, giving pilots more room to react in the case of emergency or poor weather conditions. Safe operations of aircraft in and out of Aurora State Airport are something I care deeply about. A 6,000' runway is a critical safety improvement.

The airport is an economic engine for the City of Wilsonville and the surrounding area. For us that either work at Aurora or are associated with operations there, the airport is a key factor in the success of our companies. These companies provide us with family wage paying jobs. We bring our paychecks home to Wilsonville where we shop, play and pay taxes.

Improving the runway has an added benefit of preparing for natural disasters as we've had in the past, like floods and wind storms. It will also help prepare for future potential disasters like earthquakes. The airport will be needed to help save lives and support surrounding communities recover from a disaster.

I support the extension of the Aurora Airport runway.

Sincerely,



(signature)

Lee Cox

Aurora Airport User