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To: City Recorder
Subject: 2018 Proposed Aurora State Airport Expansion

City Recorder
29799 SW Town Center Loop East
Wilsonville, OR 97070

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to voice my support of the ODA's proposal to extend the runway at the Aurora Airport.

The runway extension would be a significant safety enhancement, especially on days when the runway is wet and thereby having a lower friction coefficient. For many of the heavier aircraft operating from Aurora, their range is decreased when the runway is wet, because the required takeoff stopping distance at the higher weight becomes unavailable when the runway is wet. A 1000' runway extension in most cases will allow these heavier airplanes to takeoff with a full fuel load, even with a wet runway.

Keep in mind that each airplane based at Aurora generates, on the average, the equivalent of two full time jobs. Due to the small average size of the airplanes based there, assume one full time equivalent pilot, but also include maintenance personnel, cleaners, fuelers, and even those who administer and maintain hangars.

The proposal under consideration would not only create construction jobs in the short term, but it will enable to Clackamas County businesses using private aviation to grow faster and be more competitive in the long term.

Thank you for considering my arguments in this matter.

In warm regards,

Preston Davis
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Professional Pilot