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RE: Aurora State Airport Master Plan Draft Alternatives

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On March 17, 2011, the Wilsonville City Council conducted a special meeting to discuss and consider the Aurora State Airport Master Plan draft alternatives under consideration by the department. During the course of the meeting, the City Council heard from a number of members of the public, including Mitch Swecker, Interim Director of the Aviation Department.

The City Council was unable to support any of the alternatives as specifically outlined in the draft master plan chapter 5. Rather, the City Council passed the following resolution regarding the kind of alternative that would find support from the City of Wilsonville:

The Wilsonville City Council recognizes the Oregon Department of Aviation master planning obligations, and supports an Aurora State Airport Master Plan alternative that achieves the following outcomes:

1. Improves management of aircraft approaching and departing Aurora State Airport that results in minimized noise and enhanced safety to the City of Wilsonville;
2. Eliminates the need to expand the runway to the North in a way that impacts current facilities;
3. Preserves foundation farmland by restricting future airport development to the property suitable for airport use and bounded by the Hubbard Cutoff to the West, Airport Road to the East, and Arndt Road to the North;
4. Supports concurrency by recognizing surface transportation impacts on Airport Road resulting from future development and allowing for cooperation with Clackamas and Marion Counties on the scope and funding of any future improvements that may be required;
5. Recognizes a preference for preserving the existing use of Keil Road.

We appreciate that the Department has made extra efforts to address these issues of concern in the master planning process.