

**From:** [BEACH Anthony](#)  
**To:** [MORRIS Alexis](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Aurora VPDs  
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Hi Alexis, please see the comments below.

Thanks,

Tony

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From: Bruce Bennett <[bruce@auroraaviation.com](mailto:bruce@auroraaviation.com)>  
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Good Morning Tony,

Thank you for your attention to this very important and unfortunate situation.

I'm out of the country returning tomorrow during your meeting but want to add two points to your conversation.

1) The internal circulation road that has been discussed as an important safety improvement for decades and shown on the UAO master plan since 2012 would move the vehicles that have been involved in these VPDs as far from the runway/taxiway as physically possible.

I believe the construction of this ICR should become a very high priority.

2) I believe the ATC professionals at UAO deserve not only our appreciation and respect but your priority assistance. With our relatively low traffic count as far as all airports nationwide and with our "friendly" terrain and lack of nearby special use airspace, our VPD count is literally unbelievable. I believe that paying for advice and consulting from outside ATC professionals highly experienced in much busier airports such as SEA, SFO, LAX, LAS etc could possibly reveal potential significant technical ATC improvements (that would not be apparent to anyone outside of that profession) at a fraction of the cost of all the work you're going through.

With my 53 years/14,100 hours of flying off UAO including 37 accident free years operating an FAA approved flight school and commercial air-charter business 365 days a year. I am convinced these two actions will significantly improve safety and reduce VPDs.

Again, thank you and please contact me with any questions.

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