

Pacific City~Nestucca Valley Chamber of Commerce

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September 25, 2026

Re: Letter of Support, Friends of Pacific City State Airport

Dear Oregon Department of Aviation Board,

The Pacific City – Nestucca Valley Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses and individuals representing the business, economic, political and social interests of its members in Tillamook County, Oregon and throughout the region.

The Chamber was formed in January 2003 by merging the Pacific City – Woods Chamber which had been in existence since the 1950s and the Nestucca Valley Chamber, which had been in existence since the 1980s.

The adopted BY-LAWS of the organization state as its purpose “...an organization of business people, professional people and citizens working together to stimulate a prosperous business environment as well as civic, social, cultural and educational aspects for a more vibrant community.”

Our member businesses benefit greatly from the pilots and passengers that land here in Pacific City. Restaurants, motels, hotels, river and ocean charters, and other services benefit from these new arrivals and regular pilot landings. Beaches are a short walk away, and bicycles are available to ride to Cape Kiwanda and around town. Pacific City's economy is tourism-driven, supporting families and residents. The airport contributes to revenue, along with fishing, surfing, hiking, beachcombing, and vacation home rentals. The airport has brought new homebuyers to our community and encouraged them to bring friends and family here. Long-time residents enjoy seeing the variety of airplanes that land at the airport.

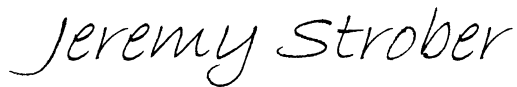
Like any well-used physical structure, the airport requires constant upkeep, ongoing maintenance, and periodic capital improvements. The partnership with the Friends of Pacific City State Airport

and the Oregon Department of Aviation seems to allow this to work smoothly. The annual June work party gets the airport ready for our busy summer travel focusing on airport safety. The nonprofit organization raised money to purchase and host four webcams and a weather station. Volunteers replace torn windsocks and remove debris after seasonal storms and flooding. A website and Facebook page are used to provide information for visiting pilots. Additionally, volunteers monitor things year-round, cleaning restrooms and removing debris after storms. The airport looks manicured and larger because local volunteers pay constant attention to it.

The pledged and committed funding for airport improvements will make it safer for pilots and emergency vehicles. Life Flight and the Coast Guard use it year-round. Aviators, citizens, and the entire region are depending on the Oregon Department of Aviation to support this Soars funding.

We hope you will continue your support of the Friends of Pacific City Airport.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeremy Strober". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of each word being capitalized and larger than the others.

Jeremy Strober

President, Pacific City~Nestucca Valley Chamber of Commerce