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Aurora State Airport Master Plan Website Comments

Name	George Buley
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Comments or questions?	I am George Buley, a private citizen and an Airport & Airway Trust Fund Taxpayer, and I offer the following comments on the latest draft of the Aurora State Airport Master Plan Update: 1) The Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grant that funded the Airport Master Plan (AMP) update for Aurora State Airport may require the grant recipient to follow the Grant Assurance Number 8, Consultation With Users, when expending federal funds. Two weeks' notice for the public to review this complex AMP proposal does not appear to meet the 30-calendar-day notice for public consultation. Presumably, there will be another draft review of Aurora's AMP for 30 calendar days. 2) AIP Grant Assurance Number 9, Public Hearings states " In projects involving the location of an airport, an airport runway, or a major runway extension, it has afforded the opportunity for public hearings for the purpose of considering the economic, social, and environmental effects of the airport or runway

location and its consistency with goals and objectives of such planning as has been carried out by the community and it shall, when requested by the Secretary, submit a copy of the transcript of such hearings to the Secretary. Further, for such projects, it has on its management board either voting representation from the communities where the project is located or has advised the communities that they have the right to petition the Secretary concerning a proposed project." Presumably, this has occurred.

3) Many good alternatives from the public were submitted to address the $220M cost for constructing the proposed 500' runway extension. Yet it appears no proposals from the public were formally analyzed, which is unfortunate because there was potential for at least one detailed proposal that may have helped the State substantially lower its matching share of eligible costs.

4) In conclusion, ODAV's website states that "The Oregon Department of Aviation Visions an integrated Aviation System benefiting all Oregonians." ODAV's Mission Statement emphasizes

- Customer service
- Collaboration
- Integrity
- Passion
- Healthy Relationships

Understandably, it's a balancing act, trying to weigh all of the pros and cons of each proposal to meet ODAV's Mission while addressing State, Local, and Federal requirements. A good faith step might be to disclose how the State

	has met AIP grant requirements by posting a copy of the Aurora State Airport's planning grant certification on the ODAV website. Sincerely, George Buley, Private Citizen, Aviation Trust Fund Taxpayer
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