

November 27, 2018

Mayor Tim Knapp  
Wilsonville City Council  
29799 SW Town Center Loop E  
Wilsonville, OR 97070

**Re: Supporting the Improvement of Aurora State Airport**

Mayor Knapp and Councilors,

My name is Stephen A. Roth and I fly in and out of Aurora State Airport where my turbo-prop is hangered.

The runway extension is very important to me.

Extending the runway will improve safety, giving me and other pilots more room to react in the case of emergency or poor weather conditions. I care deeply about the safety of my passengers as well as friends at the airport. A 6,000' runway is a critical safety improvement.

The airport is an economic engine for the City of Wilsonville. There are many companies with operations based at the airport. These companies provide family wage paying jobs. A lot of these employees bring their paychecks home to Wilsonville where they live, shop, play and pay taxes. I hire many of these companies.

Improving the runway has an added benefit of preparing for natural disasters as we've had in the past, like floods and wind storms. It will also help prepare for future potential disasters like earthquakes. The airport will be needed to help save lives and support surrounding communities recover from a disaster.

Again, I support the extension of the Aurora Airport runway.

Sincerely,



Stephen A. Roth  
Hangar 071