
FW: Aurora State Airport Master Plan Website Comments - Gerald (Gerry) Tunstall

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Jen - can you add to the spreadsheet?

Brandy – this one does want response. Shall I forward to Sarah or would you like to do so?

Thanks,

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Subject: Re: Aurora State Airport Master Plan Website Comments - Gerald (Gerry) Tunstall

 **Aurora State Airport Master Plan Website Comments**

Name	Gerald (Gerry) Tunstall
Organization	Columbia Aviation Assn.
Comments or questions?	I am a private pilot with approximately 1000 hours of pilot time and 3200 hours as a C-130E Hercules transport navigator/flight instructor/flight examiner. Originally from Portland, Oregon, I live in Tualatin, Oregon. After my military service (USAF), which included VietNam, Cambodia, Africa, Europe, and the Pacific, bought a fractional ownership in a Cessna 172, and we rent a hangar at Aurora Airport. I am a member of the Columbia Aviation Assn., which is a social and professional organization based at the airport. Thanks to the efforts of this club, I maintain FAA proficiency and currency requirements and it is a vehicle for numerous professional lectures, fly-outs to regional destinations, and for developing connections for aircraft maintenance.

Why do I love flying and why do I believe in the future of the Aurora Airport? After years of military flying, recreational flying provides an activity that puts the fun back into flying. I enjoy

taking passengers to educate them on what a gorgeous state that we live in, from a completely different perspective. I try to encourage young people to consider an aviation related career. I enjoy aerial photography. When flying over noise sensitive areas, I follow the rules and voluntarily throttle back to minimize engine noise over residential areas, at my own risk.

My professional and educational background includes urban planning. I think that I have a long term and local perspective on what can happen if the airport becomes threatened by human urban activity. Many airports in this area have been removed in the past 50 years: Evergreen, Troh's (twice), Bernards, etc. Pearson Airpark in Vancouver was almost lost. If Aurora Airport becomes threatened, it would heavily affect airport maintenance and manufacturing facilities, and would have an economic consequence with local businesses including restaurants and service oriented activities.

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