

Fw: KUAO Master Plan Input

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Sent: Friday, November 8, 2024 2:57 PM

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FYI, just wanted to make sure this was included in the record.

Thanks,

Tony Beach

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From: Mark <markrtipper@gmail.com>

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Hi, Anthony (CC Bruce Bennett)-

I'm reaching out directly to you with input on the Aurora State Airport (KUAO) Master Plan.

I wholeheartedly support continued aviation operations at the Aurora State Airport.

I am a private pilot who earned my pilot certificate at KUAO thanks to the existence of the airport and Fixed Based Operators (FBO's) like Willamette Aviation and Aurora Aviation at a location that was convenient for me with instruction and aircraft rentals that were affordable to me.

I am an active member of the [Columbia Aviation Association](#), an aviation community of pilots based at KUAO that are united by a passion for aviation. Our mission includes fostering aviation safety, education, mentoring and outreach, and we provide opportunities to expand our members' aviation expertise.

I am proud to own and operate an aircraft that runs on unleaded gasoline ("MOGAS").

I support maintaining the existing runway, taxiways and control tower such that any future plans do not interrupt airport operations.

As a safety professional, I support the promotion of safety improvements for ground and air operations.

I also recommend connecting the south end operations with the midfield operations via a vehicle access behind the old church property as well as connecting the ramp in front of the Columbia Aviation Association's clubhouse directly to the taxiway toward runway 35.

I do NOT support the annexation of KUAO into the City of Aurora. I believe it would increase our taxes and provide no tangible benefit to airport users like me.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments,
Mark