

Fw: Aurora Airport plans

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JLA will be closed December 24 through January 1 to allow our entire team time to rest and recover. Please get in touch early with any anticipated needs during this time. Wishing you a lovely end to 2024!

From: THOMAS Alex R <Alex.R.THOMAS@odav.oregon.gov>

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Hello,

Good morning. Please include within the UAO record.

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Oregon Department of Aviation, Alex Thomas, ODAV Planning and Programs Manager, 503-378-4880

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Dear ODAV c/o Alex Thomas,

As a pilot that flies off KUAO, please register and record my urgent input for the Aurora Airport Master Plan that is underway and my recommendation and request not to consider the condemnation and destruction of any aircraft hangars.

The number of planes at KUAO has steadily increased over the 40 years that I have had a plane based there. The airport's economic impact on the local area and region is significant and of course it has a tremendous impact on general aviation. Hangar space is already scant at the local GA airports making it expensive in the unlikely event hangar space can be found. It's also hard to justify the economic impact on the hangar owners who for the most part have the hangars for their pleasure flying not business. They have invested substantially in purchasing hangars to sublease for income or for personal use only. Condemnation and demolition is an unfair overreach of state government that creates a significant economic loss for those owners.

Thank you

Norman R. Willis, MD
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