

## Fw: Reminder - Submit comments on Refined Preferred Alternative by 01/21/25

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Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2025 7:36 AM

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Subject: FW: Reminder - Submit comments on Refined Preferred Alternative by 01/21/25

Good morning, please include in the public record.

Thank you,

# **Tony Beach**

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From: BEACH Anthony

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Subject: RE: Reminder - Submit comments on Refined Preferred Alternative by 01/21/25

Hi Bruce, thank you for your input, I've forwarded it to the master plan team for consideration and it will be included in the public record.

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From: Bruce Bennett <bruce@auroraaviation.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, January 18, 2025 10:29 AM **To:** Brandy Steffen < <u>brandy.steffen@jla.us.com</u>>

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January 18, 2014

Regarding Aurora Airport Master Plan - PAC member input, Refined Preferred Alternative comments

First, I want to thank ODAV and Century West for the very significant improvements in the current preferred alternative from prior considerations.

Still significant, I believe is for the plan to include ODAV honoring the four leases and protecting the huge investments in their infrastructure/septic systems by private aviation companies based at Aurora. This would include finding a safe and proper way to modify the systems that were installed with ODAV's approval in the overrun areas on both ends of the runway. This would also include possibly improving CAA's system for any future added users or planning for a suitable alternate septic system for CAA.

Finally, As safety is the highest priority and improved operational design is very important, i believe the ODAV purchase of the 1.1 acre on the south end of main UAO aircraft ramp and taxi-lane should be added to the "property acquisition priority" category as this would achieve most of the aircraft and vehicle separation benefits of the formerly planned parallel taxiway and VSR at only a tiny fraction of the land use and total costs.

Again, thank you for the progress and improvements on this latest alternative. Although I feel it a huge compromise that the 1000-foot runway lengthening that has been planned since 1976 (and needed per FAA guidance only for the safe operation of the aircraft using UAO currently and since 1976) has been reduced to only 500 feet, I do believe this is a worthy compromise as it is a significant improvement and can be accomplished with ZERO "airport expansion" and completely on the existing airport footprint.

I am convinced that the load capacity benefits of this lengthening will be more critical every day as UAO acts to support disaster relief as it has historically and as it is extremely capable of.

I do recommend strictly minimizing any airport boundary increases limited only to that absolutely necessary for FAA minimum required safety requirements considering any and all

mitigation allowances. This will be financially much more efficient and will be much more acceptable for our neighbors.

#### Bruce Bennett

Aurora Airport property/business owner since 1968, Aurora based pilot since 1973

From: Brandy Steffen < brandy.steffen@jla.us.com >

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 14, 2025 4:00 PM

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Hello PAC members,

Thank you to those of you who have already submitted comments on the <u>refined preferred alternative</u>. If you haven't done so already, please email your comments to me by Tuesday, January 21 (a week from today).

Thank you,

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Subject: Aurora Airport - Refined Preferred Alternative comments by 01/21/25

Good afternoon PAC members,

Thank you for attending PAC Meeting #8 and submitting your feedback on the Preferred Alternative. ODAV and the Planning Team has reviewed all feedback received and has made the following key refinements:

- Removed the proposed parallel taxilane.
- Removed the proposed vehicle service road that would require additional property acquisition.
- Depicted the priority property acquisition as the property required to meet FAA standards, based
  on the existing and future runway configuration. Reserve property acquisition is depicted in the
  event of a future willing seller and for the purpose of FAA grant funding eligibility.

The Refined Preferred Alternative maintains the improvements needed to comply with RSA, TSA, and ROFA standards. Please review the <u>Refined Preferred Alternative Summary</u> including the Refined Preferred Alternative figures for additional detail on the project website: <a href="https://publicproject.net/auroraairport#">https://publicproject.net/auroraairport#</a> (on the "Resources & Documents" Page).

Please submit any comments on the <u>Refined Preferred Alternative</u> no later than Tuesday, January 21, 2025.

Thank you,

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