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Re: your January 28, 2019 Letter

Dear Mr. Kleinman:

I apologize for the delay in responding to your January 28th letter. I became Director on February 4th, 2019, and delayed responding to your letter until I could better understand the history and issues related to the Aurora Airport. I understand that our Assistant Attorney General, Lucinda Jackson, has been in contact with you regarding your public records request, and that you have submitted a revised scope of what documents you would like to receive.

The following are answers to the questions in your January 28th letter:

1) Has a draft master plan been submitted to the State Aviation Board for adoption?

No. The last Aurora Airport Master Plan was completed in December 2012 but it has not been submitted to the board for adoption.

2) Has the Board in fact adopted or approved a master plan for Aurora Airport? If so, when?

When the 1976-1995 Aurora Airport Master Plan was developed, there was no independent department of aviation in Oregon. Instead, the plan was prepared by the Aeronautics Division of the Oregon Department of Transportation and was subject to approval requirements of the Oregon Transportation Commission. The Aeronautics Division became the Oregon Department of Aviation in 1999. ORS 835.100. The State Aviation Board was also created at that time. ORS 835.102. The board has not yet adopted a master plan for Aurora.

3) If no master plan has been submitted to the Board, what is its current status?

The board adopted ODA's State Agency Coordination (SAC) program in 2017. This has been sent to the Department of Land Conservation and Development for review and certification by the Land Conservation and Development Commission. Adoption of the 2012 Aurora State Master Plan is on hold until this process is complete.

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4) What is the status of the Department's state agency coordination efforts with respect to the master plan? Have these been carried out? If not, how and when will they be carried out and completed?

See the answer to #3.

5) What citizen involvement efforts have been undertaken with respect to the master plan? What further citizen involvement efforts are planned or being planned?

When the 2012 Aurora Airport Master Plan was prepared, ODA established a Planning Advisory Committee (PAC), representing Airport users and neighbors, which participated in the planning process. In addition to six PAC meetings, public involvement in the master plan update included a website that disseminated information and gathered comments and questions, and ODA held five open houses for the general public.

Once ODA's SAC program is certified, ODA will comply with any applicable requirements in the SAC program when adopting the airport master plan.

I hope this answers your questions. If not, please feel free to continue to contact Lucinda Jackson for further information as well as for the public records request. Thanks again for your patience as I learn the history and issues surrounding the Aurora Airport.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Betty Stansbury".

Betty Stansbury, AAE
Director