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Subject: Re: New Bedford Airport runway project
Date: Fri, May 19, 2017 4:34 pm

Dear Mr. Heggland

Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments regarding the resurfacing of runway 14/32 at the New Bedford Regional Airport and the proposal to reduce the runway width during the reconstruction and resurfacing. I concur with your opinion and assessment as to the negative effect this will have on our Airport.

I have submitted your letter / e-mail as part of the official record of the Council and will be sure to reference your comments in any future conversations regarding this project.

Thank you again for your valuable input. Should you wish to discuss this issue further please call or e-mail me. My direct contact information is noted below.

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Sent: Tue, May 16, 2017 6:12 pm
Subject: New Bedford Airport runway project

Dear Mr Mayor.

As a professional pilot and long time user of the New Bedford Regional Airport, EWB It has come to my attention the FAA has allocated monies for resurfacing of runway 32-14. This is great news. Unfortunately they're only budgeting for 75' width not the current 150'. This reduction will more or less render the runway unusable for larger airplanes.

EWB has struggled to get air-service to New York and other destinations, if the city allows this reduction of runway width it only makes EWB less favorable. We currently have two runways in EWB, this make it easier for takeoffs and landing during different weather conditions.

I've been to many smaller airports across this wonderful country. Never do we pick an airport with a runway of less than a 100' width for the jets we fly. (One company I worked for moved their jet to Hanscom BED because our runway here in EWB was too short for transcontinental flights. (Couldn't put on enough fuel.))

I'm hoping you the mayor, and the city councillors will find monies to make up for the shortfall of the FAA and keep the runway at its current width.

If you see the value of your airport please take pride in it like so many of us do.
Do not let this city suffer any more. Spend monies on infrastructure for a great future in air travel.
The New Bedford Airport is a jewel for the area and this great city.

Thank you for your time

Sincerely
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