Re: New Bedford Airport Letter

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Subject: Re: New Bedford Airport Letter Date: Fri, May 19, 2017 4:36 pm

Dear Mr. Wood

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.

Linda

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Date: May 12, 2017 at 7:31 AM Subject: New Bedford Airport Letter

Dot and Chris.

Sending a signed copy to you. Also plan to submit as letter to the editor of South Coast Times without last sentence.

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May 12, 2017

To Whom It May Concern;

During a recent flight to the New Bedford Airport I learned there is a proposal to reduce the width of runway 14-32 from 150 to 75 feet. This is a terrible idea and needs to be dropped.

Many aircraft owners have operation manuals that would prohibit flights to or from such a narrow runway. It is easy to understand why. With prevailing northwesterly winds, runway 32 is often preferred. Think of a blustery winter day with the runway contaminated by snow. A crosswind makes takeoff or landing more difficult. Would you rather use a slippery 75-foot or 150-foot-wide runway? Runway 05-23 could well be beyond crosswind limits.

I don't know what it is about this part of Massachusetts. No city ever grew to greatness by diminishing the capability of their airport. Fall River closed their airport in favor of a landfill and industrial park. How's that working out for Fall River?

I wonder if the authority responsible for the New Bedford Airport understands the value of this resource. There will be fewer flights in and out of the airport if this plan is implemented. Please be in touch with any questions.

Best regards,

John Wood