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Dear

I am writing to express my dissatisfaction at the way that the Greensburg Indiana Municipal Airport Expansion is currently taking place. Please understand that I am very aware that an expanded airport can have a potential impact on the Economic Development of our area.

What I am objecting to is not the expansion but the LOCATION of the expansion. While I fully understand that many airports are located in highly populated areas such as parks, housing, softball diamonds, bowling alleys, fairgrounds, golf courses etc. , we have the opportunity to expand our airport and CHOOSE the location making it safe, convenient , and a purposeful and well invested spending of our tax money whether through grant or otherwise.

I am asking for your help as our elected representatives to see that the taxpayers opinion on the location of this airport is asked through referendum.

I am aware that you will tell me that this is a local decision. What I am asking of you is to see that the funding , both State and Federal is not authorized at the CURRENT location for an expansion.

The following reasons are why I feel that a new location should be sought and would be vastly more beneficial to our community as a whole:

- 1.) Safety. The current location is located in a nest of lakes which serve as roosting areas for Numerous geese. While mitigation can happen....that takes place on the ground And can not possibly take care of this problem. The current facility is located too Close to the soft ball diamonds, Fairgrounds, county park etc.
- 2.) FAA grant money is being sought as well as State grant money. This is still my taxpayer Money and I would like to see that money INVESTED in the best way possible for our Community by MOVING the location of this expansion project. Moving this location would Allow for a larger commerce park to be built, it would provide for the possibility (if desired) of creating a regional airport, and a site could be selected that would provide additional land purchase for growth, which could be rented out for income for the airport budget. The additional land could also serve as an additional buffer for the skydive business which is an incremental part of the airport budget with their fuel purchases but is causing trespass problems and damaging crops of the current neighbors of the airport because of the limits of the current location.

In summation, I plead with you to listen to your constituents and limit any State or Federal funding by requiring either a referendum of the local taxpayers to take place before the final site is selected or by requiring the expansion take place at a new location so that this taxpayer money is spent in a way that is an INVESTMENT for the future of our region.

Sincerely,

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