Aviation in Oregon

Support Oregon communities by preserving and enhancing aviation.

28 state owned public use airports

97 Public Use Airports (total)

350 + private airports

Vision: Advocate for growth (jobs), improvement and safe operation of aviation in Oregon.

Strategic Initiatives:

- Protect and Enhance Aviation as a part of the Oregon Transportation Plan.
- Support Oregon aviation-related jobs and businesses
- Work with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and State Leadership on policies and funding for Oregon airports.
- Support commercial air transportation and goods to and between Oregon cities.
- Improve Safety and Operation Condition of State owned and operated airports.
- Construct the Aurora Tower to enhance safety at the Aurora airport.
- Outreach to Oregon Aviation Community.
- Assist jurisdictions with attaining compliance with Airport Planning Rule. (OAR 660.013)
- Advocate for policies and funding favorable for Oregon airports.
- Implement required five year capital improvement projects
- Strive for financial self-sustainability for state owned airport.

Business Aviation Nationally

• Business aviation contributes $150 billion to U.S. economic output, and employs more than 1.2 million people.

• Majority of general aviation aircraft used for business worldwide are manufactured, operated, serviced and maintained in the United States. Planes manufactured outside the U.S. are often "completed," adding avionics, electronics, automation systems, engines, paint, interiors and other aircraft components manufactured here in the U.S.

• Few flights carry executives. 74% are time-critical trips by sales, technical and middle management employees. (NBAA, Louis Harris Study)

• Almost all airline flights go from only 70 major hubs. Airlines have abandoned nearly 100 mid-sized cities in just the last year.

• Business aviation reaches over 5,000 public-use airports in the U.S., providing communities large and small with fast, flexible, safe, secure and cost-effective access to destinations across the country and around the world.

• Business aircraft manufacture is one of the remaining sources of good manufacturing jobs in this country –It is also one of the few industries still contributing to the nation's positive balance of trade.

• Business aviation allows companies to safely transport tools and materials that cannot be carried aboard airlines, enabling them to solve urgent problems efficiently and quickly.

• The flights made by business airplanes require support. Schedulers, dispatchers, maintenance technicians, pilots, training professionals and airport employees are just a few of the many support professions involved in business aviation.

Source "NO Plane, NO Gain/NBAA

Impact of Aviation in Oregon

- $76 million in FAA infrastructure grants in Oregon 2009-2011
- $24 Billion dollar impact to Oregon economy*
  - 197,000 jobs
  - $6.7B Wages
  - $24 Billion in Sales
- Examples:
  - Columbia and Evergreen Just awarded $77M DOD contracts
  - Heavy Lift Helicopter Industry
  - Kit Aircraft manufacturing (Vans)
  - Corporate Flyers; Costco, FLIR, Coca Cola, Cisco

*Source: Oregon Aviation Plan 2007