



## **Airport Technical Advisory Committee**

Commissioners' Hearing Room

March 7th, 2012

9:00 am

Those in attendance: Ed Jeffko, Albert Losvar, Leroy Orr, Jerry Hendrick, Roy Skelton, Ralph Malone, Kurt Danison, Dave Edwards, and Jim Detro.

Okanogan County Planning staff present: Director of Planning Perry Huston and Planning Intern Dalana Potter.

The meeting was called to order by Perry Huston, Okanogan County Director of Planning and Development.

Director Huston opened the meeting with a quick review of the agenda.

Pursuing a Moratorium was the topic of interest this meeting. The Airport Technical Advisory Committee voted for one with the intent of preventing further developmental encroachment upon airports. Dorothy Scott Airport of Oroville Washington was the main example that rose concern with a multistory building near the end of the runway and shown in WSDOT's *Airports and Compatible Land Use Guidebook*.

Furthering the Moratorium discussion, we contemplated how to structure such limitations that protect airports, yet do not hinder private property owners' rights to use their land. We utilized maps created by County's GIS Coordinator, Gene Wyllson that displayed the airport influence area, as defined by WSDOT's *Airports and Compatible Land Use Guidebook*, into three zones, which were color coded. These zones were illustrated by color as follows:

- Red and melon included the runway and approach areas which composed Zone 1.
- Blue was the horizontal area as defined by FAR 77 and created Zone 2.
- Green encompassed the remaining influence area described as the conical area by FAR 77.

All development in Zone 1 was to be restricted by the Moratorium. For Zone 2, lot creation under five acres and Conditional Use Permits were restricted, however building permitting was allowed. Zone 3 had no restrictions, since the group felt development of any kind in that area would not cause a negative impact upon the airport and encompasses a large area of land.

The last item of discussion at the meeting was Permitted and Conditional Uses in Zone 1. The results are the following:

- Permitted Uses: airport dependent activities, aircraft manufacturing, underground utilities, temporary uses, accessory restaurants, agricultural aerial application, livestock grazing, and agricultural growing operations.
- Conditional Uses: above ground utilities, light industrial/manufacturing, transient accommodations, ranges, and low intensity recreation.

Residential uses and clustering were debated topics as the meeting concluded.

Next meeting scheduled for March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully submitted  
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