



## STUDY SESSION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor and Members of City Council

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**SUBJECT:** Boulder Airport Community Conversation

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Boulder (city) has engaged in a community focused process to understand aspirational goals and desired outcomes for the future operation and/or development of the Boulder Municipal Airport (BDU). This process stems from recommendations in policy 6.23 in the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan, increased tensions between the airport community and the broader Boulder community, the need to improve airport facilities, and preparation for a potential future Airport Master Plan Update. The City of Boulder, along with a consultant team, has conducted community conversations with stakeholders and developed a range of long-term scenarios for the future of the airport site. This engagement process and resulting high-level scenario analysis is intended to provide a better understanding of the desired future for BDU for city leadership and City Council.

This study is expected to achieve the following:

- Understand community goals and aspirations for the airport and/or airport site.
- Identify key issues and opportunities for consideration.
- Share desired near-term action items.
- Develop and evaluate a range of long-term scenarios.
- Determine next steps for the airport site.

The purpose of this memo and presentation is to provide City Council with an update on the Airport Community Conversation. The project team will use feedback from the study session and will return in early 2024 to present the final report and receive direction on next steps. The memo will share:

- Community engagement activities that have occurred thus far.
- Community input that informed the draft long-term scenarios and near-term action items.
- Community feedback on the draft scenarios and action items.

- An evaluation considerations matrix which qualitatively evaluates how well each scenario aligns with the city’s Sustainability, Equity, and Resilience Framework goals.

**QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL**

Transportation and Mobility Department staff request that Boulder City Council offer feedback on the Boulder Airport Community Conversation process. Specific questions include:

1. Do you have questions about the community input or the community feedback that informed the scenarios and action items?
2. How can the project team further refine the scenarios and action items to help inform City Council’s future decision?
3. What further information you would like the project team to gather from the Community Working Group?

**BACKGROUND**

The city owns and operates BDU, which is a general aviation airport that offers business, private, and recreational aviation services to the city and surrounding communities and supports emergency aviation services as needed.

From January – August 2023, the project team held a variety of community engagement events to better understand the aspirations of impacted stakeholders, residents, and traditionally underserved communities. The community engagement activities and events conducted by the project team are outlined here, and summaries of community input from these activities are provided in the Analysis section and appendices of this memorandum.

**Schedule of Engagement Events**

<b>Engagement Opportunity</b>	<b>Date/Date Range</b>
In-Depth Interviews	December 14, 2022 – March 6, 2023
City Council Presentation	Thursday, January 12, 2023
Community Working Group (CWG) 1	Tuesday, March 14, 2023
CWG BDU Airport Tour	Wednesday, March 15, 2023
Questionnaire 1	April 6 – May 4, 2023
Public Open House 1	Tuesday, April 11, 2023
CWG Lunch Gathering at Airport	Wednesday, April 12, 2023
CWG 2	Thursday, April 13, 2023
Vista Village Bilingual Community Meeting	Wednesday, April 19, 2023
San Lazaro Bilingual Community Meeting	Monday, April 24, 2023
CWG Virtual Gathering	Wednesday, May 31, 2023
CWG 3	Thursday, June 7, 2023
Public Open House 2	Tuesday, July 18, 2023
CWG 4	Thursday, July 20, 2023
Questionnaire 2	July 12 – August 2, 2023

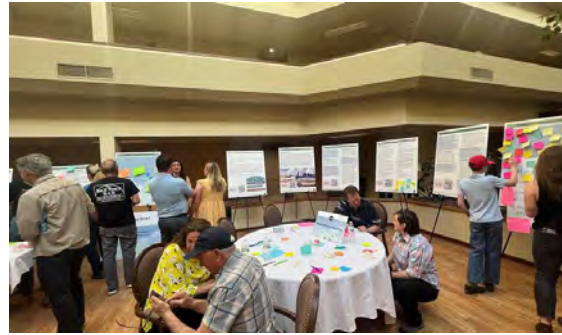
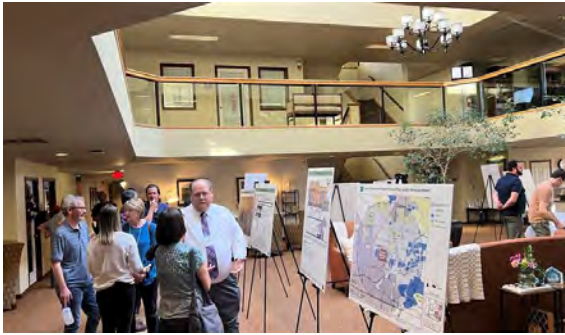
**In-Depth Interviews**

In-depth interviews helped the project team understand the key issues and concerns from airport users, community members and both residents and businesses who are near the airport. These interviews served as initial information for the team in organizing the CWG, public open houses and community questionnaires.

## Public Open Houses

The public open houses provided community members the opportunity to share their ideas among one another and with the project team.

- Public Open House 1 shared initial input received to date, information about the airport, and requested community input on the future of the airport site.
- Public Open House 2 focused on sharing the desired near-term action items, community input and feedback themes and the draft long-term scenarios. Feedback was gathered on all items presented.



*Public Open Houses in April and July 2023*

## Online Community Questionnaires

- Questionnaire 1 aimed to understand the community desires and ideas for the future of the airport site. There were 775 respondents who reside in the City of Boulder or Boulder County.
- Questionnaire 2 aimed to gather feedback on the desired near-term action items and draft long-term scenarios. There were 961 respondents who reside in the City of Boulder or Boulder County. The project team will use this feedback to refine the scenarios before returning to City Council in early 2024.
- The questionnaire is an engagement tool for collecting feedback from the public. It is not intended to express a scientific, statistically valid representation of all of the city's

residents. In addition, staff is not interpreting the feedback as “votes” for or against future scenarios. The Be Heard Boulder questionnaire is just one of the tools the city uses to solicit input and the city acknowledges the limitations with this type of questionnaire. Nevertheless, it is a useful engagement tool to help identify trends and potential areas of commonality in the community’s opinions on the subject and as a channel for people to provide anonymous feedback without attending a meeting.

### **Community Working Group (CWG)**

- The purpose of the CWG is to provide input and recommendations to the project team to support the community conversation effort. The CWG collaborated with the project team to develop a range of scenarios for the future of BDU. The CWG was mindful of FAA grant obligations.
- The project team relied on the feedback and experience of the CWG. The CWG membership includes airport neighbors, county residents, pilots, and airport tenants. The CWG also had involvement from multiple city departments as well as liaisons from the Planning Board, the Transportation Advisory Board, and the Housing Advisory Board. The project team has met with the CWG four times since the onset of the project and will meet once more. The CWG provided specific feedback that helped the project team craft the evaluation considerations, refine the near-term action items, and develop the draft scenarios.
- In addition to regular CWG meetings, the project team provided additional opportunities for the CWG to meet and discuss the project. These include an airport tour, a group lunch gathering, a virtual conversation session, and virtual office hours with the project manager. The project team intends to host another interim event for the CWG and one additional CWG meeting before returning to City Council in early 2024.



*CWG Meetings March – July 2023*

### **Bilingual Community Meetings**

- Two bilingual community meetings were hosted by city staff – one at Vista Village which was English first with Spanish translation and one at San Lazaro which was Spanish first with English translation. These communities are located adjacent to the airport. In order to minimize barriers to participation, the project team hosted a working session that went into the same depth and detail as the CWG meetings to understand the concerns and desires of these communities.
- City staff will be hosting two more bilingual community meetings on August 22 and 29, 2023.

## ANALYSIS

The project team has prepared four long-term scenarios below using community input received during the community engagement activities outlined above. The scenarios are broad-stroke concepts reflecting generalized areas for each land use and represent a visual of the community feedback heard throughout the process. Listed below are the four long-term scenarios.

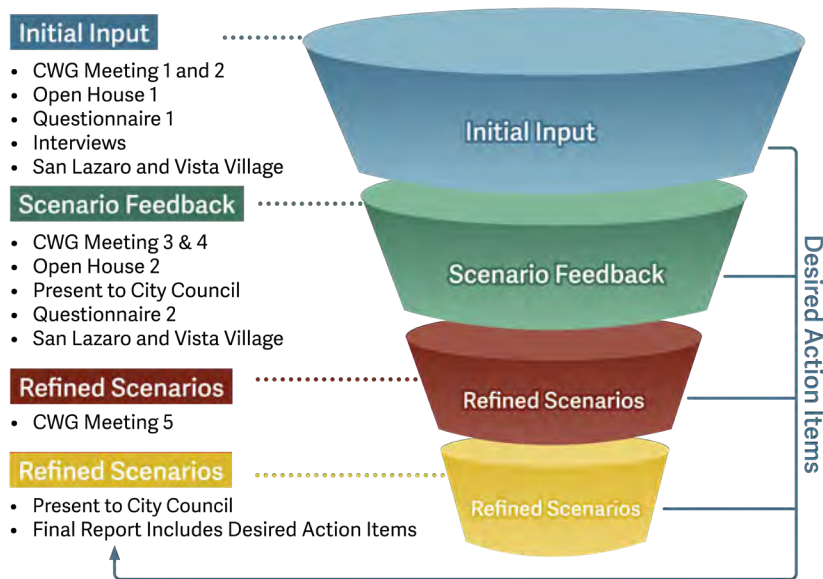
Scenario 1: Existing Airport with Enhanced Maintenance

Scenario 2: Airport with Aviation Improvements

Scenario 3: Airport with Neighborhood Serving Uses and Limited Housing

Scenario 4: Decommission Airport and Create New Neighborhood

Throughout the engagement process, community members expressed a desire for near-term action items to be identified in addition to the originally scoped long-term scenarios. As such, the project team gathered ideas from community members for near-term action items that would have a likely time frame of 0-5 years and could be implemented independently from actions considered in the long-term scenarios. Figure 1 details how community input was synthesized at each step of the project process to craft both near-term actions and long-term scenarios.



*Figure 1: Community Input and Feedback Process*

The project team then evaluated these scenarios based on how they align with city goals, as outlined in the [Sustainability, Equity, and Resilience Framework](#).

## MATRIX OF OPTIONS

This section includes the desired near-term action items, feedback themes and interests received throughout the process, the draft long-term scenarios, and evaluation considerations. These items have been brought up by community members and will need further study. The project team will further assess these items and share refinements including high level cost, political feasibility, and staff effort in early 2024.

### Community Informed Desired Near-Term Action Items

These action items come from direct community input and have not been evaluated for feasibility or cost. In early 2024, the project team will share these near-term action items with City Council and include potential implementation steps for each.

Topic Area	Desired Near-Term Action Items
Noise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement landing fees for both based and non-based aircraft</li> <li>• Explore ways to enforce/encourage compliance of noise procedures</li> <li>• Include South Boulder and Boulder Reservoir in Voluntary Noise Abatement</li> <li>• Update voluntary noise procedures to discourage touch and go, low passes, training and pilot building hours after 5 PM</li> <li>• Change hours of operations to 9-5 PM on weekdays and 9-4 PM on weekends</li> <li>• Limit touch-and-go activity/training flights; explore options with voluntary limits on start and end times</li> <li>• Create glider training area modifications</li> <li>• Identify ways to limit overflights from adjacent airports</li> <li>• Regularly publish noise complaint data</li> <li>• Investigate ways to better measure and report noise</li> <li>• Rework helicopter flight paths to avoid flying over homes</li> <li>• Explore feasibility of mandating quieter muffler/exhaust systems for based aircraft</li> </ul>
Health and Environmental Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expedite the delivery of unleaded aviation fuel to BDU</li> <li>• Establish timeline for discontinuing use of leaded fuel</li> <li>• Evaluate proximity to other natural features/wildlife habitats</li> <li>• Incentivize the use of electric airplanes/eVTOL</li> <li>• Investigate impacts of leaded aviation fuel emissions in Boulder, specifically relating to children’s health</li> <li>• Publish regular estimates of lead emissions from BDU operations</li> <li>• Investigate greenhouse gas impact of operations, based on flight data from flights originating/landing at BDU</li> <li>• Report leaded fuel sales and consumption</li> </ul>
Community Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modify and strengthen the influence zone coordination for construction and implement a mandatory disclosure program</li> <li>• Coordinate the airport land use planning with FAA regulatory requirements and compatible land uses</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update airport rules and regulations and share with the community at large</li> <li>• Develop and invest in a flight management system/program to educate pilots and community members about actual performances and program awareness</li> <li>• Commit to ongoing coordination between pilots, airport tenants, and neighbors</li> <li>• Promote community events and programs</li> <li>• Deliver quarterly noise complaint summary memo to City Council</li> <li>• Deliver quarterly summary memo to City Council/CDOT/public detailing tenant violations, late fees, improvements, crashes, fuel farm updates</li> <li>• Cease offering flying events at BDU</li> <li>• Introduce community programs for traditionally underserved communities at the airport</li> <li>• Host family-friendly events at the airport with aviation focused activities</li> </ul>
Airport Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update contract/leasing structure and fees to cover costs</li> <li>• Create a maintenance plan for aging infrastructure</li> <li>• Administer an Economic Impact Study for the airport</li> <li>• Make airport economic and budgetary data easily accessible</li> <li>• Investigate the potential for passenger and/or goods transport aviation</li> <li>• Share information about funding sources for BDU – including FAA grants</li> </ul>
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduce real time messaging to pilots and geofencing</li> <li>• Comply with Airport Minimum Standards and FAA Compliance Standards</li> <li>• Commit to regular publication of safety data</li> <li>• Collect and make available to the public information about crashes and "prop strikes"</li> <li>• Eliminate non-conforming runway or enforce no simultaneous use with other runways</li> <li>• Remove the "striped fields" training ground flanking Gunbarrel to the east</li> <li>• Investigate requiring pilot insurance of over \$100k</li> <li>• Mitigation of known hazards/risks</li> </ul>

**Near-Term Action Items – Initial Community Feedback Highlights:**

- Varying opinions on purpose and feasibility of implementing landing fees
- Desire to analyze noise abatement procedures and consider changes
- Request to review the runways in use and evaluate their compliance with FAA regulations
- Request to analyze the potential impact of development on open space and surrounding environment





## Long-Term Scenarios

### Scenario 1: Existing Airport with Enhanced Maintenance

This scenario would bring the current facilities up to a state of good repair. No new facilities would be built.

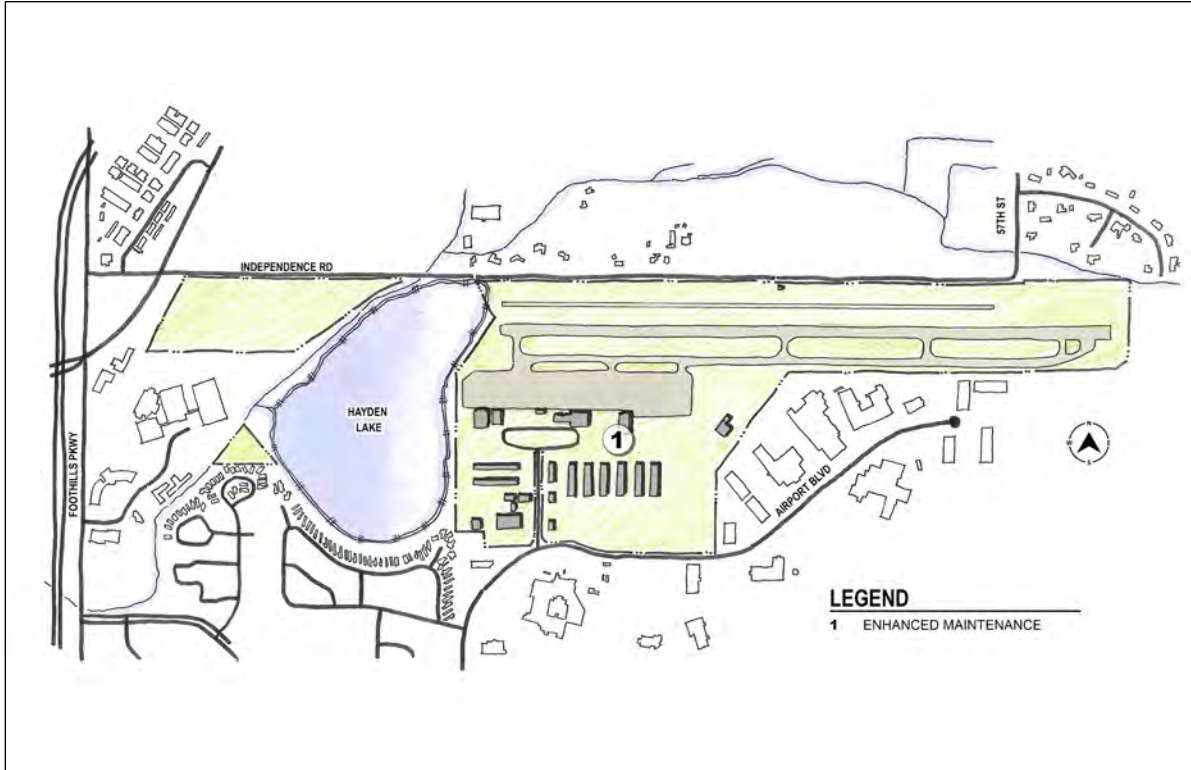


Figure 2: Long-Term Scenario 1

Elements that would remain	Elements that would change
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Existing runways and taxiways</li> <li>Existing hangar facilities</li> <li>Existing support buildings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No physical changes outside of enhanced maintenance of existing facilities</li> </ul>

### Scenario 1 - Community feedback highlights:

#### Opportunities:

- Improve maintenance
- Less change
- Accommodates emergency response
- Allow for investment
- Maintain current operations
- Support training
- Maintain safety

#### Constraints:

- Does not advance city goals
- Lack of implementation plans

- Seen as a band-aid on current issues
- Does not address need for housing
- Does not address feedback about flight patterns
- Furthers perception that BDU serves select groups

#### Further Study/Information Needed

- Economic analysis
- Noise analysis
- Environmental study
- Flight pattern review

**Scenario 2: Airport with Aviation Improvements**

This scenario would foster aviation development that is responsive to aviation market demand. Includes modernization of general aviation, hangar improvements, and implementing the most recent Airport Master Plan, which would add facility and infrastructure improvements enhancing safety and capacity.

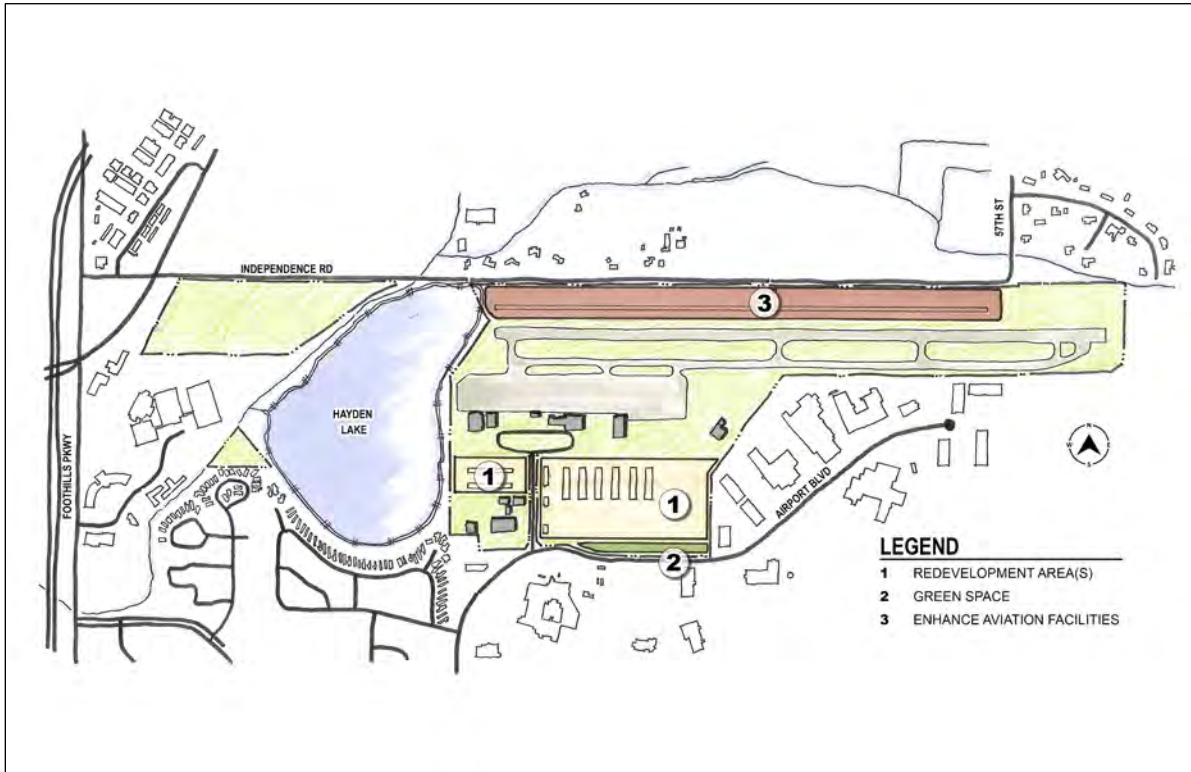


Figure 3: Long-Term Scenario 2

Elements that remain	Elements that change
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Existing runways and taxiways</li> <li>Existing hangar facilities</li> <li>Existing support buildings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgrade existing hangars</li> <li>Development of additional hangars</li> <li>Enhance aviation facilities</li> <li>Preserve options to accommodate future modes of travel and goods movement</li> <li>Upgrade public aviation viewing area</li> </ul>

**Scenario 2 - Community feedback highlights:**

**Opportunities:**

- Use of new technology in aviation
- Advance use of unleaded fuel
- Could make the airport more inclusive

**Constraints:**

- May lead to more aviation traffic
- Lead fuel is not addressed

- Equity is not addressed
- Aviation traffic is not addressed
- Sources of funding
- Growth may increase traffic to airport

Further Study/Information Needed

- Economic analysis
- Noise analysis
- Environmental study
- Flight pattern review
- Review of funding sources for BDU

**Scenario 3: Airport with Neighborhood Serving Uses and Limited Housing**

This scenario would foster aviation development and community development that complement each other. Includes modernization of general aviation and hangar improvements and live/work hangars. Includes a wide range of neighborhood serving uses such as a restaurant or café, science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) learning center and vocational opportunities for local youth, and a community center that houses meeting spaces for both aviation uses and public uses.

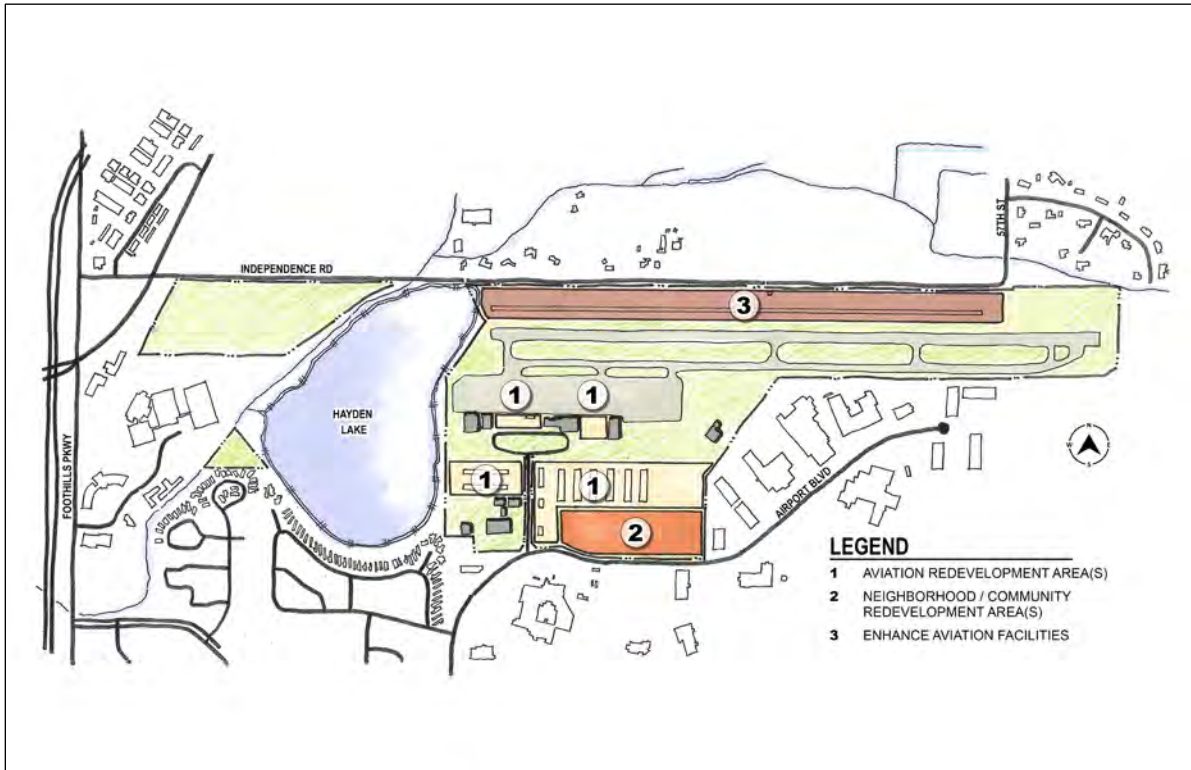


Figure 4: Long-Term Scenario 3

Elements that remain	Elements that change
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Existing runways and taxiways</li> <li>Existing hangar facilities</li> <li>Existing support buildings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgrade existing hangars</li> <li>Develop live/work hangars</li> <li>Build a restaurant or café</li> <li>Create a STEM learning center and vocational opportunities for local youth</li> <li>Enhance aviation facilities</li> <li>Build a community center that houses meeting spaces</li> </ul>

**Scenario 3 - Community feedback highlights:**

**Opportunities:**

- Seen as a good middle ground
- Inclusive of community
- Could improve community relations

Constraints:

- May lead to more aviation traffic
- May be too expensive to implement
- Concerns about land use compatibility
- Concerns about environmental impact
- Concerns about noise
- Concerns about safety
- Concerns about equity
- Does not provide enough housing

Further Study/Information Needed

- Study detailing aviation compatible land uses, with special consideration for housing

**Scenario 4: Decommission Airport and Create New Neighborhood**

Description: This scenario would decommission the airport and create a new, mixed-use neighborhood that may include housing, activity centers, employment hubs, and green space. A portion of land would be set aside for helicopter emergency services that would support the resiliency of the region.

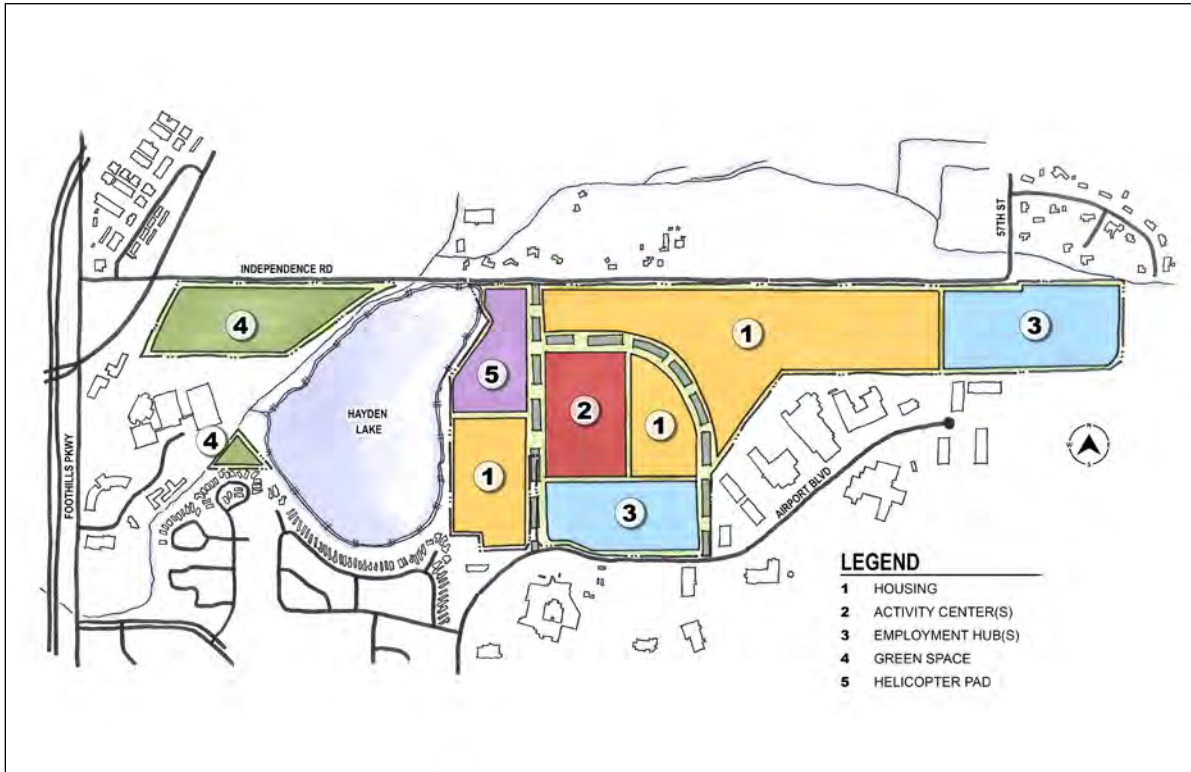


Figure 5: Long-Term Scenario 4

Elements that remain	Elements that change
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aircraft landing area for emergency support services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Build a range of housing types</li> <li>Create activity centers</li> <li>Create employment hubs</li> <li>Allocate green space for the needs of native plants and animals</li> </ul>

**Scenario 4 - Community feedback highlights:**

**Opportunities**

- Serves a larger portion of the community
- Supports reduction of leaded fuel impact on community
- Provides additional housing

**Constraints**

- FAA may not allow
- May not provide affordable living
- Could be a very costly option
- Airspace would likely be utilized by other airports

- Does not provide open space
- Lack of airport could have negative economic impacts

Further Study/Information Needed

- A feasibility study
- This scenario would need to be cognizant of current FAA obligations and the timeline associated with them.



**Goals and Evaluation Considerations**

The project team is comprised of subject matter experts in transportation planning, aviation planning and engagement professionals who utilized their expertise garnered locally and nationally to conduct a preliminary evaluation of the scenarios. The four scenarios were evaluated based on how they align with city values, which are outlined in the [Sustainability, Equity, and Resilience Framework](#). Building on feedback received from the CWG and the broader community, the project team expanded upon the framework to create the evaluation considerations which have been tailored to the Boulder Municipal Airport site. Each scenario was then qualitatively evaluated (anticipated impacts likely to be unfavorable, neutral, favorable) as to whether each scenario actively contributed or detracted from these goals. This evaluation methodology ensures that each scenario is evenly measured without a pre-determined outcome. We anticipate feedback from the CWG and City Council on these qualitative evaluation considerations.

<b>City of Boulder Sustainability, Equity, and Resilience Goals</b>	<b>Evaluation Considerations</b>
Safe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance personal and community safety</li> <li>• Increase resiliency through mitigation, response, and recovery</li> <li>• Comply with airport rules and regulations, Federal Aviation Administration Standards, and Boulder Fire Department</li> </ul>
Healthy & Socially Thriving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create community programming and gathering spaces</li> <li>• Minimize community exposure to site impacts and noise</li> <li>• Provide educational opportunities</li> </ul>
Livable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diversify site uses</li> <li>• Balance the needs of airport operations and compatible surrounding land uses</li> <li>• Provide amenities for residents</li> </ul>
Accessible & Connected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase current and future multi-modal transportation options</li> <li>• Enhance open space, bicycle, and trail connectivity</li> <li>• Accommodate goods movement</li> </ul>
Environmentally Sustainable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage the integration of future clean technology</li> <li>• Incentivize unleaded fuel for aircraft</li> <li>• Minimize impact to wildlife and natural environment and support environmental compatibility</li> </ul>
Responsibly Governed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide excellent customer experience</li> <li>• Provide transparency, equity and uniformity with compliance in all leases, regulations, and plans for the airport</li> <li>• Integrate community input regularly (e.g. Formation of Community Advisory Committee, Noise Committee)</li> <li>• Maintain financial autonomy from city general fund subsidies</li> </ul>
Economically Vital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a diverse tax base and stable tax stream</li> <li>• Foster diverse business options</li> </ul>

**Scenario Evaluation Matrix**

Goals and Evaluation Considerations	Alignment with City of Boulder Sustainability, Equity, and Resilience Goals			
	Scenario 1: Existing Airport with Enhanced Maintenance	Scenario 2: Airport with Aviation Improvements	Scenario 3: Airport with Neighborhood Serving Uses and Limited Housing	Scenario 4: Decommission Airport and Create New Neighborhood
<b>Safe</b>	Neutral	Favorable	Favorable	Favorable
<b>Healthy &amp; Socially Thriving</b>	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable	Favorable
<b>Livable</b>	Unfavorable	Neutral	Favorable	Favorable
<b>Accessible &amp; Connected</b>	Unfavorable	Neutral	Neutral	Favorable
<b>Environmentally Sustainable</b>	Unfavorable	Favorable	Favorable	Favorable
<b>Responsibly Governed</b>	Neutral	Favorable	Favorable	Neutral
<b>Economically Vital</b>	Unfavorable	Favorable	Favorable	Favorable

**NEXT STEPS**

The project team will continue the final steps of this engagement process and resulting high-level scenario analysis. The following are the intended next steps in order to provide a better understanding of the desired future for BDU.

- Address City Council questions and obtain additional community feedback as needed
- Conduct CWG Meeting #5 in order to finalize feedback and reflect on process
- Refine the four long-term scenarios and desired near-term action items based upon City Council feedback, CWG feedback, and project team expertise
- Share final report with the following elements:
  - Community Conversation Engagement Process
  - Four Long-Term Scenarios
    - Key physical and programmatic elements
    - High-level estimated cost of implementation
    - Opportunities and constraints

- Alignment with city goals
  - Desired Near-Term Action Items and Implementation Steps
- Present the refined four long-term scenarios and near-term action items to City Council in early 2024
- Request direction from City Council on next steps based upon the information shared in the final report and presentation

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. In-Depth Interviews Feedback Summary
2. City Council Presentation
3. CWG 1 Meeting Summary
4. Questionnaire 1 Results
5. Public Open House 1 Summary
6. CWG 2 Meeting Summary
7. Bilingual Community Meeting Summaries
  - a. Vista Village Community Meeting Summary
  - b. San Lazaro Community Meeting Summary
8. CWG 3 Meeting Summary
9. Public Open House 2 Summary
10. CWG 4 Meeting Summary
11. Questionnaire 2 Results



### Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation One-on-One Interview Summary

This interview summary is a high-level overview of the perspectives, comments and recommendations the project team heard and documented in our one-on-one interviews. This summary is a snapshot of feedback to consider as part of the project. As a member of the CWG, you are encouraged to consider perspectives that may differ from your own and be prepared to discuss your lived experiences and perspectives at the first CWG meeting.

- Understand what options the city would consider
  - Close the airport
  - Repurpose the airport
  - Improve airport facilities and community relations
- Further restrictions beyond today's voluntary noise procedures
  - Engage congressional delegations given similar themed proposed legislation
  - Enhance flight tracking software capabilities
  - Update rules, regulations, and leasing policies to incentivize compliance with the noise program
- Noise abatement procedures are stricter at Boulder than most airports
  - Is the noise of a plane louder than other environmental factors? (cars, lawn mowers etc)
- Airport noise impacts the wildlife and environment surrounding Boulder
- Greater citizen involvement and accountability through restructured governance
  - Citizen board with biannual updates to City Council
  - Airport expenses better delineated in the transportation budget
  - Provide web-based real time flight data
- Remove leaded fuel from BDU
  - Concern about flight traffic over schools and recreation areas
  - Residents have reported finding lead in the soil in their homes
  - Impact on overall air quality
- Enhance safety, reduce risks, implement a Traffic Management Program for use of runways:
  - Introduce traffic pattern modifications
  - Evaluate touch and go activity
  - Enforcement for individuals/companies who deactivate collision avoidance systems
- Update Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedures at the airport
  - Technical Noise Committee made up of airport tenants to address community complaints and buy-in
  - Improve signage at the airport to educate departing pilots on noise abatement procedures
  - Communicate to the public the steps the group is taking to address noise complaints
- Landing fees for non-based aircraft to recoup facility operation and maintenance expenses:
  - Implement technology solutions



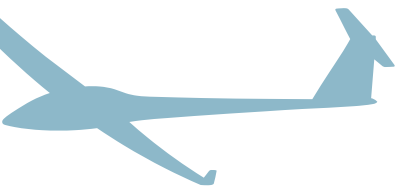
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- Implement rules, regulations, and leasing policies for tenant accountability
    - Tenants need to understand long term plan for airport
  - Airport repurposing or alternative uses, or access restrictions:
    - Economic benefit and cost of having an airport versus other potential uses requires additional study, outside of the scope of this process.
  - Reduce from two to one runway:
    - Only allow FAA compliant runways
  - Prioritize new technology at Boulder airport
    - Electric aircraft
    - Self-launching gliders
    - Urban air mobility
  - FAA Rules and regulations
    - FAA does not enforce liability insurance rules
  - Improve community involvement and perception
    - Community movie nights
    - Open a restaurant or café
    - Airport supports crucial environmental research, brings grant funding to Boulder
    - Airport operations support innovation
    - Share ways tenants are improving and abiding by Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedures
    - Pilots and tenants need to be good neighbors, but community members should strive to understand the role of the airport
  - Increase investment in the airport
    - Change lease structure so business can invest in new hangars and facilities
    - Update building code to enable tenants to develop hangars without facility requirements of storage units
    - Support the development of new hangars
    - Improve FBO facilities to improve reputation and service
  - Training facilities are crucial to the industry
    - New pilot training support nationwide aviation
    - Youth outreach provides access to those who might not otherwise
    - Training operations are the cornerstone of some airport tenant's businesses
  - Tow planes and glider operations
    - Safety concerns about gliders sharing airspace with motorized aircraft
    - Tow planes are noisy and tend to fly over residences
  - Privacy and retaliation
    - Tenants concerned that citizens have access to their personal information through noise complaints
    - Citizens are concerned with pilots and airport users retaliating against them
  - Airport closure will endanger scientific research based at Boulder
    - Some research operations are deeply tied to the airport and cannot easily move



- Even if the operation moved to a different airport, all research is calibrated for Boulder – aircrafts may come back and fly over for calibration flights
- Boulder is a hub for scientific research an innovation and research, these operations support it
- Research operations receiving federal grants have strict internal noise abatement procedures
- BDU needs to be a better neighbor
  - Some pilots and users live in neighborhood adjacent to the airport
  - Adhering to voluntary noise abatement procedures is important some users and pilots
- There are land use and city planning conflicts
  - Density is increasing in areas around the airport, increasing the numbers of people impacted by the airport
  - Schools were approved to operate near the airport and are impacted by noise and other environmental factors
  - The city has affordable housing goals to meet
- Housing in a pressing issue in the city
  - Growth in areas around the airport is increasing the numbers of individuals impacted
  - Affordable housing is needed in Boulder and the airport site is a interesting opportunity for meeting those needs
- Inflammatory individuals worsen complaints and relations
  - “Noise crusaders” who would like to see the airport close
    - A handful of cities file repeated complaints
  - Quiet skies group organize online to file complaints
  - One tenants has been identified as a root cause of the problems by several people at the airport

# Boulder Airport Community Conversation

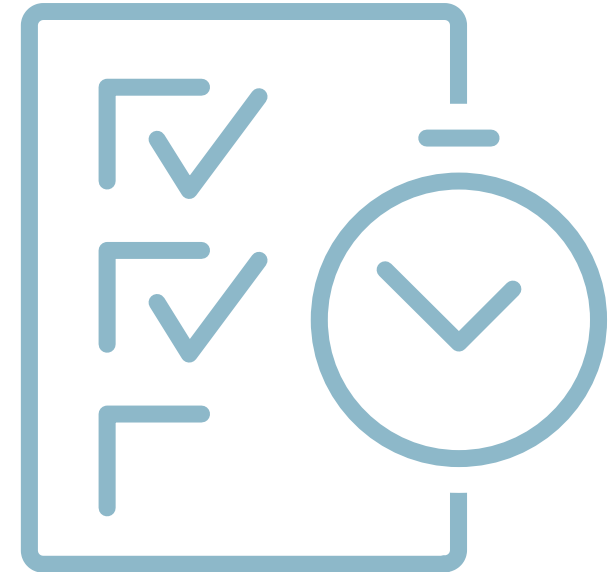
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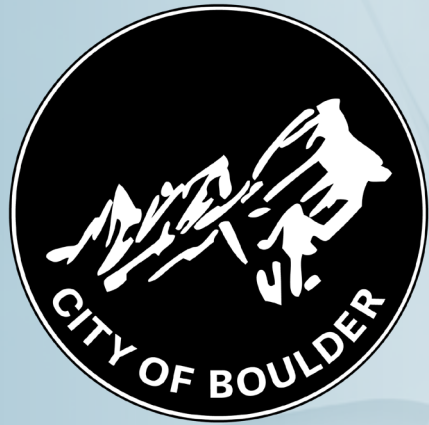


# Presentation Outline

- Background and Goals
- Community Conversation Strategy
- Schedule and Next Steps
- Questions for Council





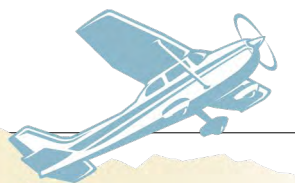
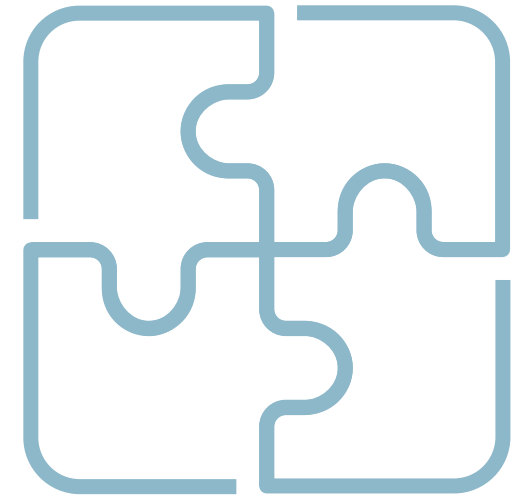


# Background and Goals



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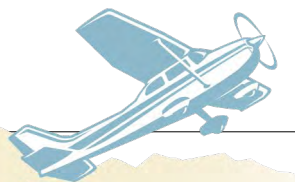
- Owned by City of Boulder in partnership with FAA
- General aviation facility with two published runways
- Offers business, private, recreational, and emergency response and recovery services
- Training flight schools
- Robust glider operations





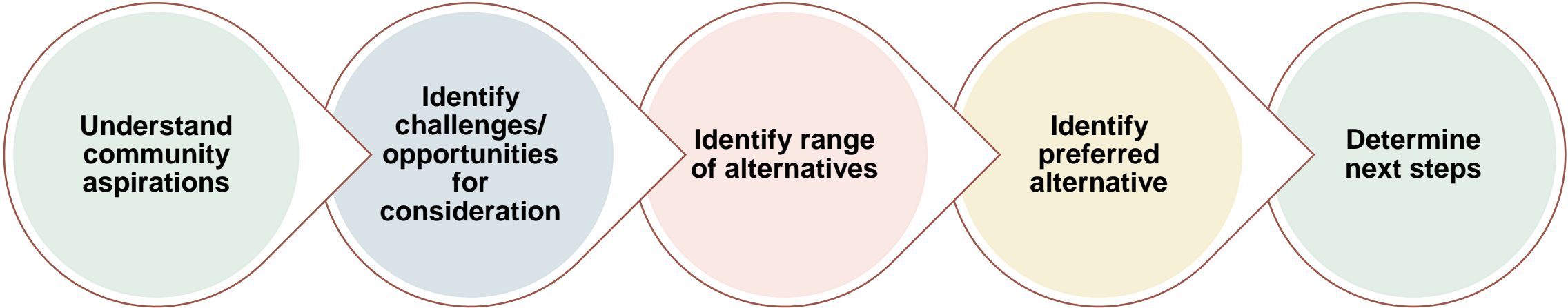
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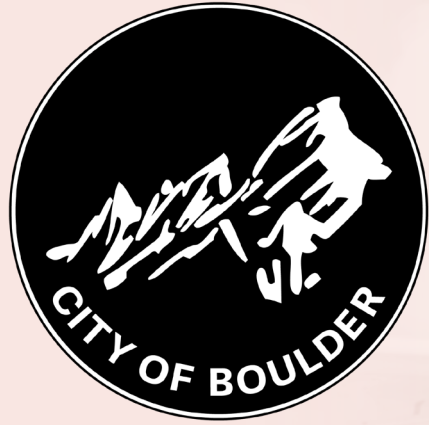
- First meeting held in November 2022
- Formed group to review and improve the existing voluntary noise abatement program (NAP)
- Aim to address noise complaints and establish positive relationship with surround residents
- Concurrent effort with Community Conversations





# Project Goals



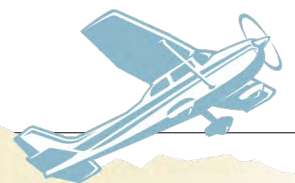


# Community Conversation Strategy



# Purpose

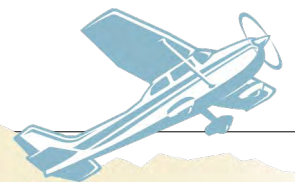
- Facilitate community conversations with on and off airport stakeholders
- Listen to community and understand impacts on surrounding communities
- Recognize desired outcomes for future airport operations
- Consistently apply the city's Racial Equity Plan
  - Employ Racial Equity Instrument
  - Focus on underrepresented communities





# Stakeholder Interviews

- Participants include a diverse set of on and off airport stakeholders suggested by airport and city staff and interview participants
- Allow participants to discuss topics of their primary concern
- Project team to provide simultaneous interview interpretation services





# Initial Interview Feedback

Accountability  
 Engage legislators  
 Collision avoidance systems  
 Airport expense tracking  
 Restructured governance  
 Citizen involvement  
 Restrictions  
 FAA compliance  
 Alternative uses

Airport repurposing  
 Update economic benefits  
 Remove leaded fuel  
 Noise  
 Accessible information  
 Landing fees  
 Leasing policies  
 Access restrictions

Real-time data  
 Reduced runways  
 Rules and regulations  
 Flight tracking software  
 Citizen board  
 Enhance safety  
 Incentivize compliance







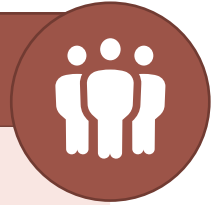
# Community Working Group (CWG)

## Meeting themes

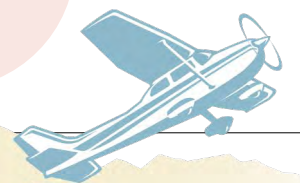


- **February 2023** - Vision workshop
- **April 2023** - Establish community priorities and outline a range of alternatives
- **May 2023** - Establish a preferred alternative to share with project team

## Members



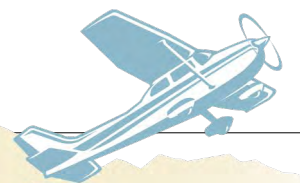
- Interview participants
- Airport tenants
- Key stakeholders representing broader Boulder community
- Aviation community members
- Underserved community members





# Public Open House Meetings

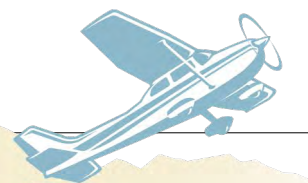
- Meeting #1 - Share history and gather feedback
- Meeting #2 - Share developing alternatives and gather feedback

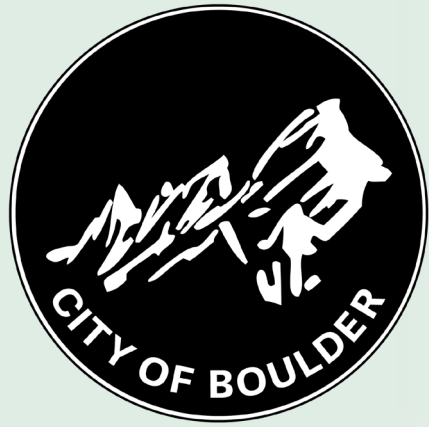




# Alternatives Analysis

- Stakeholder conversations lead to developed range of alternatives
- Evaluation criteria considers
  - Community feedback
  - State/local requirements
  - FAA obligations
  - Emergency support services
- Identify preferred alternative



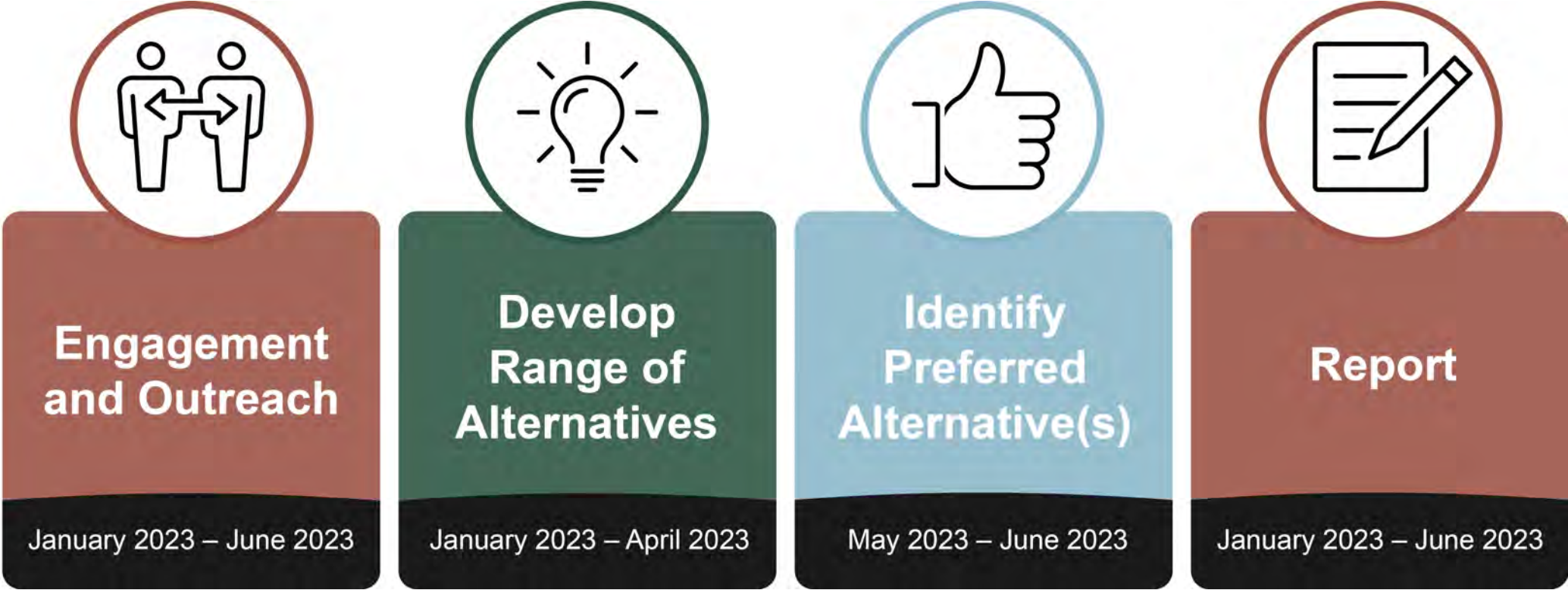


# Schedule and Next Steps



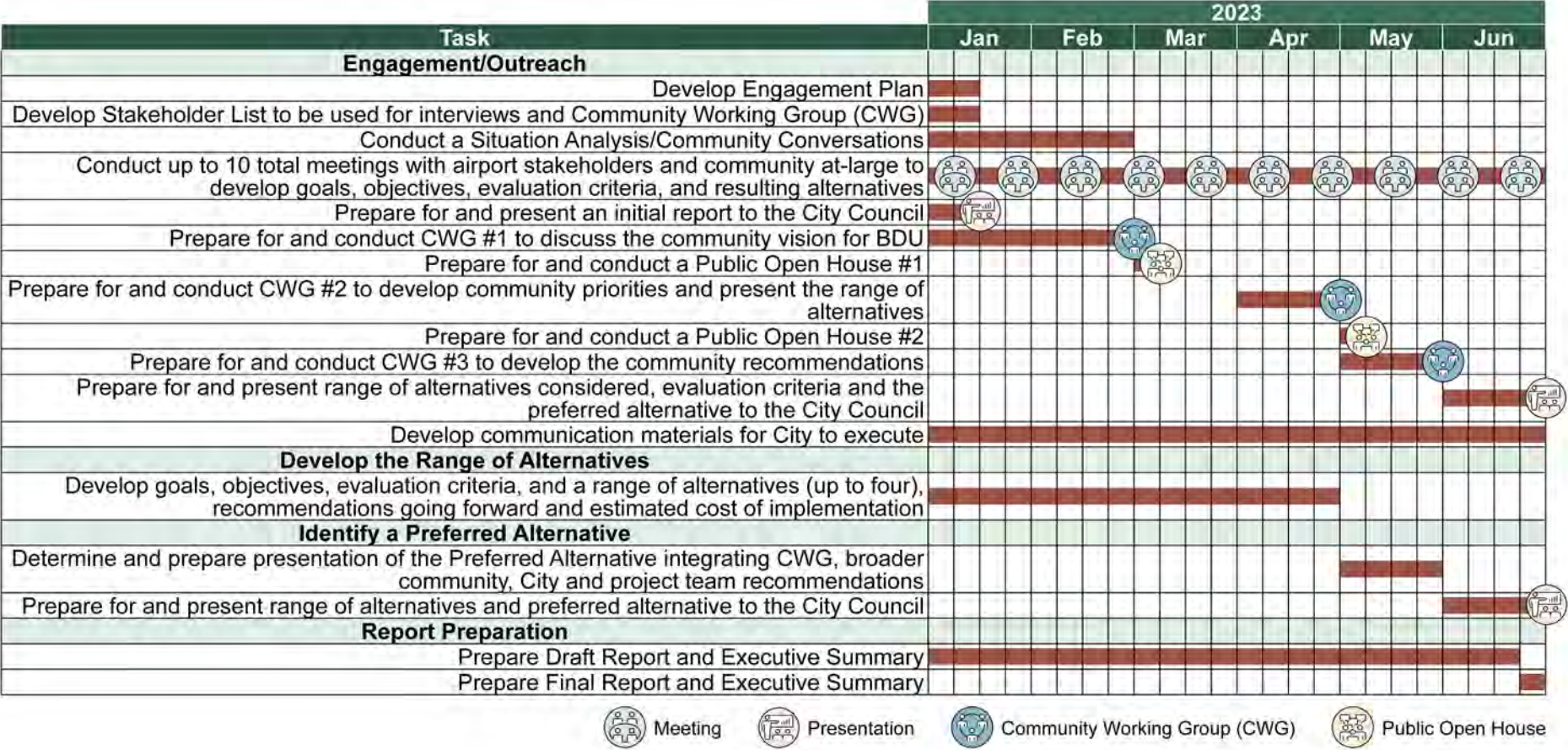


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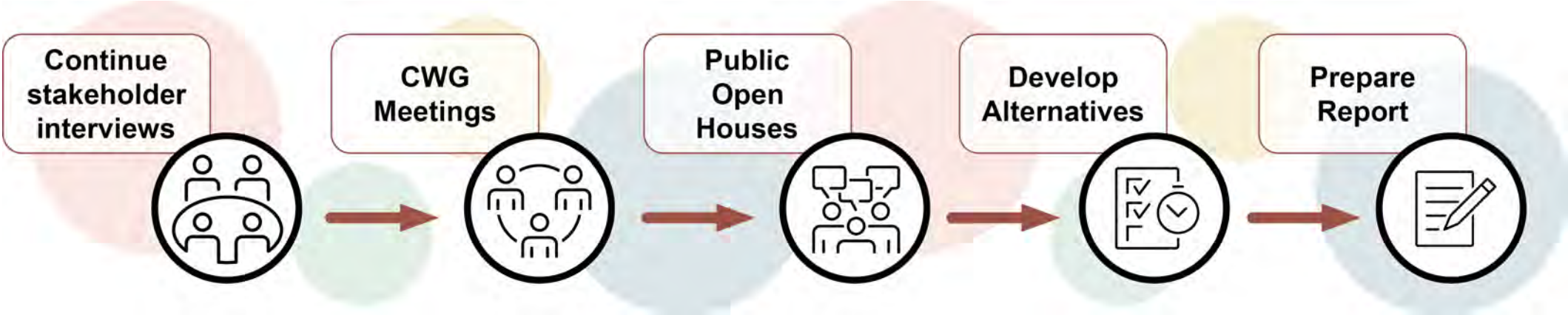


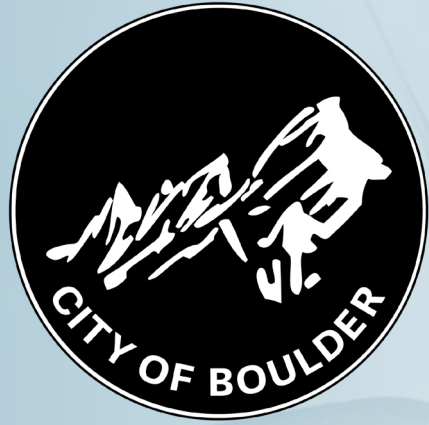
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# Next Steps





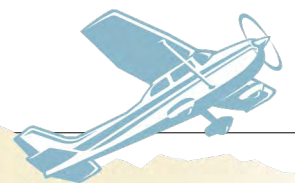
# Questions





# Council Questions

- Are there any additional stakeholder groups not already identified that should be included in the process?
- Do you have additional feedback about the Community Conversation process?
- Are there additional considerations that the project team should be aware of?





# **Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation: Community Working Group (CWG)**

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## **Meeting 1 Summary March 14, 2023**



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## Introduction

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### Meeting overview

This summary has been prepared to detail the notifications efforts and outcomes of the public meeting. Public comments and further details about the Community Conversation project can be found on the [project website](#).

CWG Members were selected through an application process. Applications opened on the project website on February 28 and closed on Monday, March 6. The team received over 120 applications. Applications were evaluated based on stakeholder representation, geographic representation, interest, availability and capacity to contribute, profession or lived experiences and specific expertise. The team convened a 35 member CWG.

## CWG Meeting 1

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### Meeting information

- Location: City of Boulder Municipal Service Center, 5050 Pearl Street, Boulder, CO 80301
- Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023
- Time: 4:30 – 6:30 pm
- Number of Attendees: 31 CWG members, 10 project team members

### Project Team Attendees

John Kinney, COB  
Allison Moore-Farrell, COB  
Kathleen King, COB  
Ryan Hanschen, COB  
Danielle Furuichi, COB  
Amalia Andrews, Kimley-Horn  
Olivia Perez, Kimley-Horn  
Casey Matern, Kimley-Horn  
Kathleen Wanatowicz, PR Studio  
Jeffrey Range, CDR Associates



## CWG Members

32 of the 35 member CWG attended the first meeting. The complete member list is included below.

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Ben Molk	<a href="mailto:bmolk@crescent.com">bmolk@crescent.com</a>	In Attendance
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## Meeting Notifications

- Welcome email
- Calendar appointment
- Reminder email - day of meeting

## Presentation Topics

- Discuss purpose and need of the project
- CWG Introductions and Charter
- Breakout Discussions
  - Data Deep Dive
  - Community Feedback Discussion
  - Community Building Discussion

## Summary of Meeting and Breakout Discussions

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### Introductions

CWG members were invited to introduce themselves to the group. In addition to their name, they were asked to share what excites them about the future of Boulder. Participants shared the following:

- Innovation
- Small city that does big things
- Inclusivity and accessibility
- Best place to live – keep it that way
- The people
- Responsibility for the environment
- Opportunities for the outdoors
- Addressing the missing middle
- Keep it weird

### Breakout 1: Data Deep Dive

Breakout goals: Establish a baseline understanding and information about the airport and understand what CWG members would like to learn more about.

Discussion question:

1. Is there anything you would like to learn more about?

CWG members were presented with baseline airport data. The presenters in this breakout shared airport history and information about the current airport operations. Understanding that it was a lot of material, the presenters asked participants to ask questions and make note of things they would like to learn more about.



## Summary of Breakout Discussion and Questions

- Can we differentiate airport operations between science, business training, etc?
- Do sales taxes charged at the airport stay at the airport?
- Desire to learn more about airport contracts and leases.
- What percentage of airport land was purchased by the city and what portion was purchased using FAA Grants?
- Desire to learn more about the breakdown for airport funding sources.
- Has the city council (or just some council members) made a statement on their position on the airport?
- Did the FAA introduce a new tiered funding program that uses the number of operations to determine an airport's funding level? If so, when? Does this have a relationship with increased touch and go traffic at area on airports?
- One participant noted that they see fewer planes these days, there is a downward trend.
- Desire to learn more about FAA grants and CDOT Grants.
- Surprise that the airport doesn't take money from the city general fund.
- In response to tenant data and data that shows a decline in airport use, one participant commented that they have been on the waitlist for a hangar for five years.

## Breakout 2: Community Feedback Discussion

Breakout goals: Understand people's reactions to initial community feedback.

Discussion questions:

1. What is important to you?
2. Do you see those values reflected in the community feedback so far? Is anything missing?

CWG members were asked to react to initial community feedback. Facilitators wanted to understand what topics high priorities for CWG members are. Members shared similar concerns over noise, environment, alternative use and community relations.

Priorities identified by participants:

- Trust
- Noise
- Safety
- Environmental – Air Quality, Public Health
- Outreach/Inclusion/ Community Involvement
- Misunderstanding – clear up character
- Demand – Pilot training
- Emergency Management Services



- Master Plan Implementation – More hangar space
- Methods for data gathering
- Community Education
- Alternative Uses
- Affordable housing

## Summary of Breakout Discussion and Questions

- The state representative over the airport gets a lot of comments about the airport, and they are all about noise.
- Outreach in the past has failed to reach Spanish speaking communities.
  - Residents expressed desire to learn more about outreach efforts to Spanish speaking communities.
- Resident expressed surprise that members of the public can get pilot information. They asked: How can people get a pilot's information?
  - Pilots shared that people could find them on the FAA site through their tail number. Some pilot's addresses have been shared by a disgruntled resident.
  - Residents shared they have the same concerns of privacy and retaliation from airport users and pilots.
- One airport user shared that air traffic is set to double in 20 years. They want the airport to be a resource for training and workforce development.
- Safety is the number one issue to many airport users. This is in service to the airport and to the surrounding communities.
- One person was concerned that affordable housing was on the table. As a nearby resident, they felt that it is not a good alternative for the site and felt that that discussion would lead to a failure of the process.
  - Another person felt that the issue of affordable housing isn't prominent enough and any discussion of alternative uses must include affordable housing.
- Airport users shared their technical noise committee efforts. They also agree that some pilots follow it, and some don't.
- How do we hold airport users accountable?
- One pilot shared that he wants to find better way to get data – sometimes the complaints they get are highly personal and contain no information that will tell them how to fix it.

## Breakout 3: Community Building Discussion

Breakout goals: Identify common high-level goals, talk about the "why" of this engagement process

Discussion questions:

1. Why is what's important to you, important to you?
2. Have you seen programming or community relationships at other airports that you think City of Boulder could emulate?





CWG members discussed values that are important to them. This station conducted conversation to understand alternative perspectives and start to understand similarities and differences. During the source of conversation, the following themes emerged:

## Align with community values

- Airport should be more compatible with what Boulder aspires to be – right now it doesn't do a good job representing Boulder
  - Aesthetically – so it's more appealing to users and visitors
  - Energy Efficiency – to align with community values
- FAA stronghold over the future of the airport – don't like the lack of local control over a city-owned asset

## Innovation

- Want to see the site/airport used to support the Innovation culture of the area –
  - Is the airport the highest and best use for an innovation center of the town?
  - Does the airport possess the opportunity to implement broader city goals of energy and innovation?
- Excited about potential for advancements to on-site facilities that could move climate goals forward
- Would like to see a STEAM (Science, Tech, Engineering, Arts, Math) learning space at the airport
  - More opportunities to engage community members, kids in activities at the airport
- Support for eco-friendly aviation
  - Make sure that electric aircraft and tow planes (for gliders) could come to Boulder in the next five years

## Alternative uses

- Affordable Housing as an option at the airport – ethnic and income diversity; doesn't see Boulder as being very inclusive or as living up to its value of inclusivity
- Worried that there are voices missing in the process – potential future residents
- Newcomers vs. Incumbents: Often in discussions of building new housing, the people who feel threatened show up and advocate and are heard; however, the people (potential residents) who would benefit from it don't necessarily know that they would have the opportunity to benefit from it and don't know to show up to advocate for it so they're typically not heard from
  - Want to see opportunities for shared input to guide the future of a public asset
- If the airport closes – how does that impact our ability to control our airspace – suggested that without the presence of the airport, all air traffic has free reign over the city
- Site has potential for many homes and businesses



- Perception that this is the only place we have left to create “off market” housing
- Want future of site to be inclusive and serve a “higher and greater” use than as
- “Do we have to sacrifice an airport to address housing?” – is that the right trade-off?
- Want to make sure that whatever happens here is connected to the city’s broader plans and goals
- Want to introduce multiple uses at the airport to make it more inclusive – right now it feels like an exclusive space. What are other neighborhood serving uses that could align with airport uses?

## Community relations

- Get a better understanding of how the airport can work together with surrounding neighborhoods- how could Boulder be a model for a community approach to managing an airport, a model COMMUNITY AIRPORT
- Would like airport users to be better educated on community interests
- Would like airport to have a more active presence in the community – it’s a tool for people to obtain a career path
- Would like users to better understand the HOAs who are directly impacted
- Want to bring the airport to the community and the community to the airport
- Are there other airports we can look to regarding successful community relations?

## Noise

- Noise Pollution – is there any technology that can reduce noise pollution
- Want to see better data collection for noise issues/complaints

## Environment and Emissions

- Lead pollution and increase of leaded flights – health risks
  - Hoping to create more dialog around this issue to elevate concerns from community members
- Ambivalent about the future of the airport site but want to manage lead exposure to families under flight paths
- Would like to see lead/heavy metal survey of neighborhoods under flight paths to understand:
  - Do we have a lead problem?
  - Where do we have it?
  - How can we address/remediate this?
  - Incentives for low/no lead fuel

## Airport Closure

- What’s Boulder’s responsibility to surrounding communities? If you close the airport, how does that impact families living near other airports (as their air traffic increases because they can no longer go to Boulder)



- Concerns about the sustainability of the airport (and threat of closure)

## Meeting Wrap Up

Is there anything you would like to learn more about or additional information you would like to have?

- FAA – Roles and responsibilities
- Steps to repurpose an airport
- City council statements about the future of the airport
- Demographic information about stakeholder involved in this process
- Actives that require sales tax – does that revenue stay at the airport?
- What can/can't happen at the airport
- Influence zone map
- More detail on revenue and expenses at airport
- Did FAA introduce a new tiered funding program that uses the number of operations to determine an airport's funding levels? If so, when? Does this have a relationship with increase tough and go traffic at area GA airports?

## Take Aways

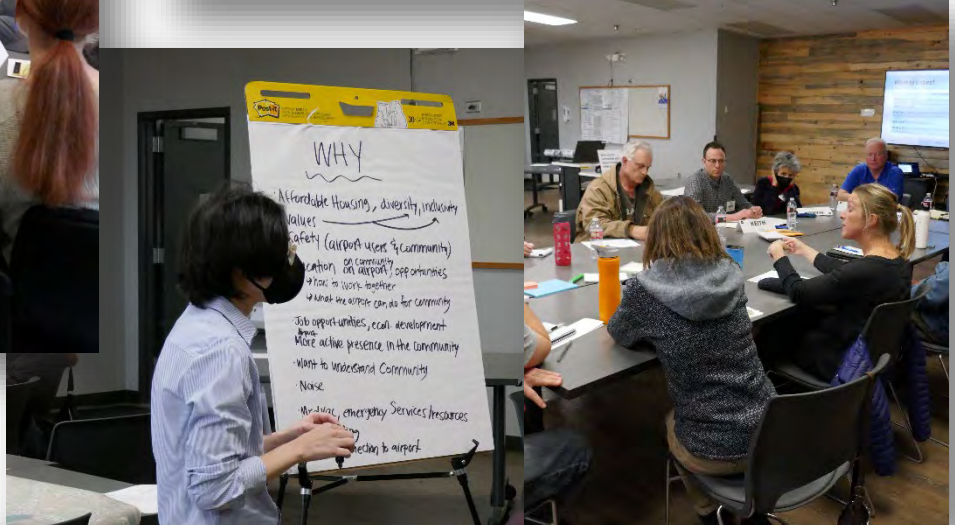
- It is enlightening to hear other perspectives.
- There are polar Perspectives.
- Can we do both? Affordable housing and keep airport operating?
- We need to look at ALL scenarios.

## Homework

- Talk to 5 people, not in the CWG and ask this question:

**"How can the community and the airport coexist?"**







## Appendices

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### Appendix A. CWG Solicitation and Selection

## **Call for Community Working Group Members**

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Community Working Group (CWG) member for the Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation public engagement process.

**Para llenar el formulario en español y expresar su interés, haga [clic aquí](#).**

The application closes on March 6, 2023.

In preparation for a future Airport Master Plan Update, the city is working to develop a deeper understanding of the community's desired future for the airport, while being mindful of long-term commitments to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

The community's ideas, aspirations and lived experiences will help inform a range of possibilities for the airport's future. Through inclusive engagement, the city will collaborate with the public to identify which of these possible scenarios best contributes to the community's vision for the City of Boulder.

## **What is the CWG?**

The CWG are key airport stakeholders from a variety of backgrounds who will remain engaged throughout the project. CWG meetings provide a setting for dialogue between impacted community members to refine stakeholder input and identify a range of possible scenarios for the future of the airport.

The CWG will contribute to the community conversation process to help develop a deeper understanding of the vision of directly impacted stakeholders, community members and traditionally underserved communities.

The city and CWG will evaluate possible scenarios for the future of the airport depending on:

- City and project requirements
- State, Division of Aeronautics, and FAA considerations
- Community and stakeholder perspectives
- Alignment with community goals, including the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan, the Sustainability, Equity and Resilience Framework and the Transportation Master Plan.

## **What can you expect if you participate?**

The CWG will meet five times throughout the course of the project to develop a range of possible future scenarios for the airport. CWG meetings are anticipated to be 2-hour meetings on a weekday.

The CWG will collaborate with the city to discuss:

- **Where we are:** the group will discuss the current situation of the airport and its community role

- **Community Vision:** the group will discuss the future of the airport and begin creating a range of possible scenarios for its future
- **Community Priorities:** the group will evaluate the range of scenarios and narrow the possibilities down to two to three preferred scenarios.
- **Recommendations:** the group will decide on a preferred future scenario for the airport

In addition to the meetings, CWG members will be encouraged to participate in two 2-hour public open house meetings to share the project progress with the broader Boulder community.

The following groups are especially encouraged to apply:

- Community members who live near the airport and/or are impacted by aircraft noise
- Aviation community members such as pilots and airport tenants
- Underserved community members who may be directly impacted by the airport
- Have knowledge of local land use, development and aviation impacts

### **CWG Application:**

1. First Name
2. Last Name
3. Phone
4. Email
5. Please select all answers that describe you:
  - a. I live in the City of Boulder
  - b. I live in Boulder County
  - c. I am directly impacted by the Boulder Municipal Airport
  - d. I use the Boulder Municipal Airport
  - e. I own a business at the Boulder Municipal Airport
6. I consider myself to be (select all that apply):
  - a. A local business advocate
  - b. An educator
  - c. A student
  - d. An advocate for language access
  - e. A climate initiatives or sustainability advocate
  - f. An equity advocate
  - g. An affordable housing advocate
  - h. An advocate for people living with disabilities
  - i. An advocate for youth
  - j. A parks and open space advocate
  - k. A designer, engineer or advocate for transportation and mobility
  - l. A developer
  - m. A land use or design professional (e.g. architect, landscape architect, planner, etc.)



7. Please list all the companies or organizations you are employed with:
8. Please list all the organizations, groups or non-profits you either volunteer for or are a member of:
9. Can you commit to attending five 2-hour evening meetings in March 2023, April 2023 and May 2023? Meetings will be in-person. \*
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
10. The first CWG meeting is anticipated to be on Tuesday, March 14 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Are you available to attend at that time?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
11. Do you need or prefer interpretation and translation for the CWG meetings?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
  - c. Other:
  - d. If yes, what language:
12. Do you need childcare to participate in the in-person meetings?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
13. What excites you the most about participating in the Community Working Group? (This is an open-ended question)

### **Optional Demographic Questions**

We'd like to know a little more about you! The following questions are optional, but we highly encourage you to answer them. All information provided will remain confidential and will not be used for any other purpose.

Do you own or rent your home?

- Own
- Rent
- Other
- I do not have stable housing right now
- Prefer not to say

What is your gender?

- Woman
- Man
- Gender non-conforming
- Prefer not to answer
- Other:

What is your age range?

- Under 18
- 18 to 24
- 25 to 34
- 35 to 54
- 55 to 64
- 65 and over
- I prefer not to say

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most?

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African-American
- Hispanic or Latinx
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Two or more races
- I prefer not to say
- Other:

How would you describe your annual household income?

- Less than \$25,000 a year
- \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year
- \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year
- \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year
- \$150,000 a year or more
- I prefer not to say

**Thank you for your interest!**

## **Convocatoria para miembros del Grupo de Trabajo Comunitario (CWG)**

Gracias por su interés en convertirse en miembro del Grupo de Trabajo Comunitario (CWG) para el proceso de participación pública de la Conversación Comunitaria del Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder.

La aplicación se cierra el día 06 de marzo de 2023.

En preparación para una futura actualización del Plan Maestro del Aeropuerto, la ciudad está trabajando para desarrollar un entendimiento más profundo de lo que la comunidad desea para el futuro del aeropuerto, teniendo en cuenta los compromisos a largo plazo con la Administración Federal de Aviación (**FAA**).

Las ideas, aspiraciones y experiencias vividas de la comunidad ayudarán a informar un rango de posibilidades para el futuro del aeropuerto. A través de un compromiso inclusivo, la ciudad colaborará con el público para identificar cuál de estos posibles escenarios contribuyen de la mejor manera a la visión que la comunidad tiene para la Ciudad de Boulder.

### **¿Qué es el CWG?**

El CWG son partes interesadas clave del aeropuerto de una variedad de orígenes que permanecerán comprometidos durante todo el proyecto. Las reuniones del CWG proporcionan un entorno para el diálogo entre los miembros de la comunidad afectados para refinar los aportes de las partes interesadas e identificar una variedad de posibles escenarios para el futuro del aeropuerto.

El CWG contribuirá al proceso de conversación comunitaria para ayudar a desarrollar una comprensión más profunda de la visión de las partes interesadas directamente afectadas, los miembros de la comunidad y las comunidades tradicionalmente desatendidas.

La ciudad y CWG evaluarán posibles escenarios para el futuro del aeropuerto en función de:

- Requisitos de la ciudad y del proyecto
- Consideraciones del Estado, la División de Aeronáutica y la FAA
- Perspectivas de la comunidad y las partes interesadas
- Alineación con los objetivos de la comunidad, incluido el Plan Integral del Valle de Boulder, el Marco de Sostenibilidad, Equidad y Resiliencia y el Plan Maestro de Transporte.

### **¿Qué puede esperar si participa?**

El CWG se reunirá cinco veces a lo largo del proyecto para desarrollar una serie de posibles escenarios futuros para el aeropuerto. Se prevé que las reuniones del CWG serán reuniones de 2 horas en un día laborable.

El CWG colaborará con la ciudad para discutir:

- **Dónde estamos:** el grupo discutirá la situación actual del aeropuerto y su papel comunitario
- **Visión de la comunidad:** el grupo discutirá el futuro del aeropuerto y comenzará a crear una gama de posibles escenarios para su futuro.
- **Prioridades de la comunidad:** el grupo evaluará la gama de escenarios y reducirá las posibilidades a dos o tres escenarios preferidos.
- **Recomendaciones:** el grupo decidirá sobre un escenario futuro preferido para el aeropuerto

Además de las reuniones, se alentará a los miembros del CWG a participar en dos reuniones públicas de puertas abiertas de 2 horas para compartir el progreso del proyecto con el resto de la comunidad de Boulder.

Se alienta especialmente a los siguientes grupos a aplicar:

- Miembros de la comunidad que viven cerca del aeropuerto y/o se ven afectados por el ruido de los aviones
- Miembros de la comunidad de aviación, como pilotos e inquilinos de aeropuertos
- Miembros desatendidos de la comunidad que pueden verse directamente afectados por el aeropuerto
- Aquellos con conocimiento del uso local de la tierra, el desarrollo y los impactos de la aviación

### **Aplicación CWG :**

1. Nombre
  - a. Primer Nombre
  - b. Apellido
2. Teléfono
3. Correo electrónico
4. Por favor, seleccione todas las respuestas que le describan:
  - a. Vivo en la ciudad de Boulder
  - b. Vivo en el condado de Boulder
  - c. Estoy directamente afectado por el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder
  - d. Utilizo el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder
  - e. Tengo un negocio en el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder
5. Me considero a mí mismo (seleccione todas las respuestas que apliquen):
  - a. Defensor/a de Defensor/defensora de negocios locales
  - b. Educador/educadora
  - c. Estudiante
  - d. Defensor/Defensora del acceso lingüístico
  - e. Defensor/Defensora de las iniciativas climáticas o la sostenibilidad
  - f. Defensor/Defensora de la equidad
  - g. Defensor/Defensora de la vivienda asequible

- h. Defensor/Defensora de las personas que viven con discapacidades
  - i. Defensor/Defensora de la juventud
  - j. Defensor/Defensora de parques y espacios abiertos
  - k. Diseñador/diseñadora, ingeniero/ingeniera o defensor/defensora del transporte y la movilidad
  - l. Desarrollador/desarrolladora
  - m. Un/Una profesional del uso de la tierra o del diseño (por ejemplo, arquitecto/arquitecta, arquitecto/arquitecta paisajista, planificador/planificadora, etc.)
6. Por favor, enumere todas las empresas u organizaciones con las que trabaja:
7. Enumere todas las organizaciones, grupos u organizaciones sin fines de lucro para las que participa como voluntario o de las que es miembro:
8. ¿Puede comprometerse a asistir a tres reuniones nocturnas de 2 horas en marzo de 2023, abril de 2023 y mayo de 2023? Las reuniones serán en persona. \*
- a. Sí
  - b. No
9. Se anticipa que la primera reunión **del CWG sea el martes, 14 de marzo de 4:30 pm a 6:30 pm. ¿Está disponible para asistir a esa hora y fecha?**
- a. Sí
  - b. No
10. ¿Necesita o prefiere interpretación y traducción para las reuniones del CWG?
- a. Sí
  - b. No
  - c. Otro:
  - d. En caso que necesite, qué idioma prefiere:
11. ¿Necesita guardería infantil-para participar en las reuniones en persona?
- a. Sí
  - b. No
12. ¿Qué es lo que más le emociona de participar en el Grupo de Trabajo Comunitario (CWG)? (Esta es una pregunta abierta)

### **Preguntas demográficas opcionales**

¡Nos gustaría saber un poco más sobre usted! Las siguientes preguntas son opcionales, pero le recomendamos que las responda. Toda la información proporcionada permanecerá confidencial y no se utilizará para ningún otro propósito.

¿Es usted dueño o alquila su casa?

- Dueño
- Alquilo
- Otro
- No tengo vivienda estable en este momento

- Prefiero no decir

¿Cuál es su género?

- Mujer
- Hombre
- Género no conforme
- Prefiero no responder
- Otro:

¿Cuál es su rango de edad?

- Menor de 18 años
- 18 a 24
- 25 a 34
- 35 a 54
- 55 a 64
- 65 años o más
- Prefiero no decir

¿Con qué raza o etnia se identifica más?

- India americana o nativa de Alaska
- Asiática
- Negra o afroamericana
- Hispana o Latinx
- Nativa de Hawai u otro isleña del Pacífico
- Blanca
- Dos o más razas
- Prefiero no decir
- Otra:

¿Cómo describiría el ingreso anual de su hogar?

- Menos de \$25,000 al año
- \$25,000 a \$49,999 al año
- \$50,000 a \$99,999 al año
- \$100,000 a \$149,999 al año
- \$150,000 al año o más
- Prefiero no decir

**¡Gracias por su interés!**



## Appendix B. Meeting Notification

Subject: Welcome! Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation – Community Working Group (CWG)

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

You have been selected to volunteer as a Boulder Municipal Airport Community Working Group (CWG) member. Thank you for being interested in supporting and serving on the CWG committee. You were selected utilizing a selection criterion that demonstrated a diversity of represented stakeholders, connection to the local area, expressed interest in the project goals, availability, and attendance, lived experience, and specific experience with the issues at hand.

The CWG is a key working group that will remain engaged throughout the Community Conversations engagement process by actively participating in five meetings, attending and supporting our community Open Houses, and serving as a representative voice in this process.

The first CWG meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday, March 14**  
**4:30 – 6:30 pm**  
**City of Boulder Municipal Service Center**  
**5050 Pearl Street, Boulder, CO 80301**

The first meeting will focus on establishing a working group charter and ground rules, presenting baseline facts, and listening to your perspectives, interests, and desires in supporting this outreach initiative.

You will soon receive a packet of information that includes pre-work for your reference and research. We will provide all CWG members with materials to read before the first meeting. In addition, the project team is offering a tour of the Boulder Municipal Airport on **Wednesday, March 15, at 8:00 am**. If you would like to join the tour of the airport, please email Amalia Andrews ([Amalia.andrews@kimley-horn.com](mailto:Amalia.andrews@kimley-horn.com)) by 12:00 pm on Monday, March 13. If you are unable to make this tour date, please let us know, and we will identify alternate timing.

We are thrilled you have volunteered to support the following project goals, and we look forward to meeting you in person:

- Understanding the community's short-term goals and long-term aspirations for the airport
- Identifying key issues and opportunities for consideration
- Identifying a range of possible scenarios and a preferred scenario for the airport's future
- Recommended next steps

**CWG Meeting #1 – Meeting Information**

Tuesday, March 14  
4:30 – 6:30 pm  
City of Boulder Municipal Service Center  
5050 Pearl Street, Boulder, CO 80301

**CWG Airport Tour – Tour Information**

Wednesday, March 15  
8:00 – 9:00 am  
Boulder Municipal Airport Office  
3327 Airport Rd., Boulder, Colorado 80301

Please contact Allison Moore-Farrell with any questions or concerns ahead of the first meeting.

Welcome and Thank You,

*The Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation Team*



Subject: BDUCC CWG 1 - Looking forward to seeing you!

Date: 3/14/2023

We are looking forward to seeing you all in person this afternoon at 4:30 for the first CWG meeting. The details are below. As a reminder, there is not a virtual option. Please call or text with any questions. Thank you!

Tuesday, March 14

4:30 – 6:30 pm

City of Boulder Municipal Service Center

5050 Pearl Street, Boulder, CO 80301



## Appendix C. CWG Meeting 1 Pre-Work



## **Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation Community Working Group (CWG) Participation Charter**

### **Purpose of the BDU Community Conversation Project**

The purpose of the Community Conversations project is to learn what the community's aspirations and goals are for the future of the airport and provide city leadership with a community-supported scenario and next steps to guide future planning of the airport. The city will hold in-depth community conversations to better understand the aspirations for the future of the airport from directly impacted stakeholders, residents, and traditionally underserved communities. The community conversation process includes three major elements: in depth interviews, CWG meetings and Public Open Houses.

### **The process will include:**

- Identification of community goals and aspirations for the future of the airport
- Identification of key issues and opportunities for consideration in future planning of the airport
- Identification of a community preferred scenario for the airport's future
- Determination of the next steps to move towards that preferred scenario

### **This process will not include**

- A change to the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map or the City of Boulder Zoning Map
- Detailed site planning or modelling for the airport site

### **CWG Purpose and Goals**

The purpose of the CWG is to provide input and recommendations to the project team to support the community conversation effort. The CWG will collaborate with the project team to develop a range of scenarios for the future of BDU. The CWG will be mindful of FAA obligations, preserving and enhancing safety. The CWG will meet five times throughout the project.

The CWG will collaborate with the project team to:

- **Understand the Existing Conditions:** The group will discuss the current conditions of the airport site, the ongoing operations at the airport, FAA obligations and its role in the community.
- **Understand the Community's Vision for the Airport:** The group will discuss goals and aspirations for the future of the airport and incorporate community member feedback from a variety of engagement venues.
- **Inform Community Priorities for the Airport:** The group will help inform and evaluate a range of scenarios (short term and long-term) that are mindful of safety and FAA



obligations. The group will provide feedback and input from each person's perspective and lived experience and incorporate community member feedback.

### **CWG Member Commitments to the Community**

- Members are encouraged to participate in the public open houses.
- Members are encouraged to share the project progress and details with people in their neighborhood and network.
- Members are expected to participate in each CWG meetings as they are scheduled.

### **Project Team Commitments to the CWG**

- There is no pre-determined future scenario for the airport.
- Team members will host a transparent process.
- Team members will represent CWG feedback to boards and council with integrity.

### **Decision Making**

The CWG will work together to help inform a range of future scenarios while being mindful of safety and FAA obligations. The project team will use this input as well as the input from other engagement opportunities to present a recommendation to the City Council for review and consideration of next steps. The CWG will seek to create consensus-based scenarios, however, in events where consensus cannot be reached, the project team will represent the range of viewpoints to decision-makers.

### **Decision Making Process:**

- Community will provide feedback, input, and inform the process through a variety of engagement opportunities.
- The project team will develop the final range of scenarios based on community feedback.
- Staff will provide recommendation to City Council.
- City Council will make final decision on the preferred scenario and next steps.



**Commitment**

I have read and understand the purpose and goals of the CWG. I understand that respect and active listening are crucial to the success of the CWG.

As a member of the CWG, I understand that this agreement is a commitment to work together in good faith and fairness. To ensure the objectives of the CWG are met, I will work with others, collectively and individually, in a spirit of trust and cooperation. With a positive commitment to the group and community, I agree:

- To respect others, being considerate to neighbors and others affected
- To listen actively to diverse perspectives and lived experiences
- To encourage, promote and practice civility in conversation
- To share concerns and resolve issues in the spirit of respect
- To develop scenarios with the best interests of all community members in mind...

I understand that if any member violates the commitments in this charter, they may be asked to leave the CWG.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

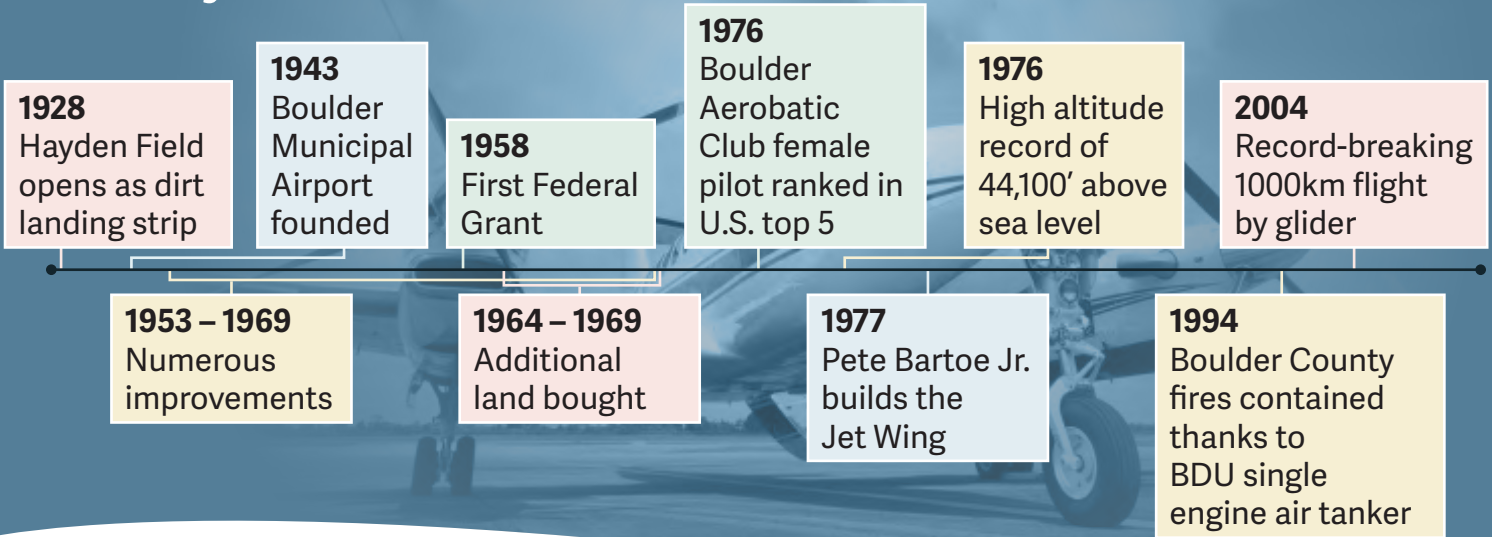
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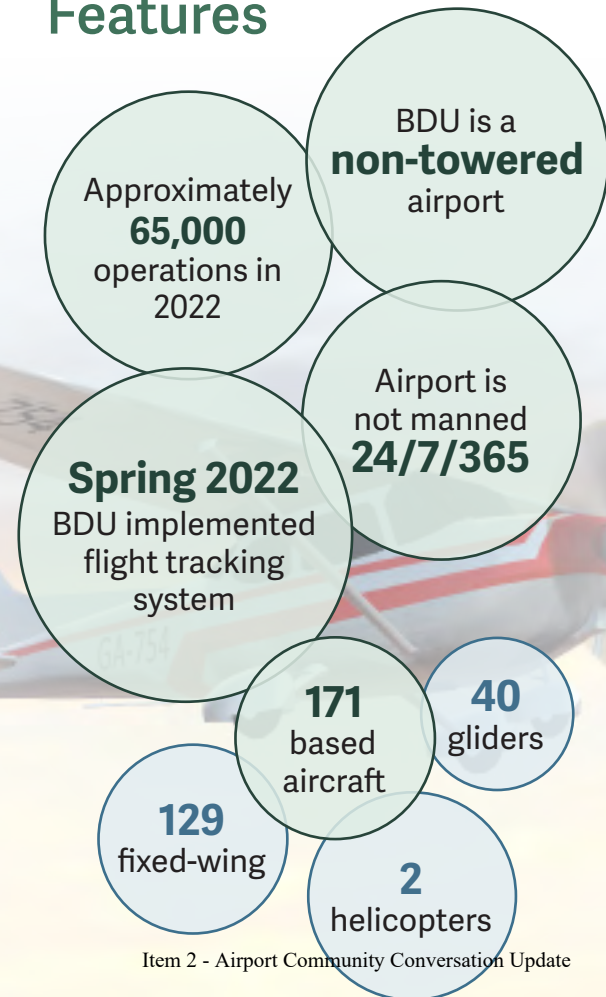
# Boulder Municipal Airport (BDU)

## Fact Sheet

### History



### Key Features



### Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Roles and Responsibilities

- ➔ Regulates civil aviation to promote safety
- ➔ Encourage and develop civil aeronautics, including new technology
- ➔ Air traffic control and navigation of both civil and military aircraft
- ➔ Research and develop the National Airspace System
- ➔ Develop and carry out programs to control aircraft noise and other environmental effects of civil aviation

# FAA Grant Obligations



When accepting money from the FAA to support maintenance at the airport, the City agrees to adhere to 39 Grant Assurances. The assurances are in effect for twenty years after the money is accepted. Please scan the code for more information or visit the following link: [faa.gov grant obligations](https://www.faa.gov/grant-obligations).

## Key Grant Assurances

Eight of the 39 FAA Grant assurances are highlighted below.

- 19** Operation and Maintenance – airport shall be operated at all times in a safe and serviceable manner
- 20** Hazard Removal and Mitigation – air space protection
- 21** Compatible Land Use – restrict the use of land adjacent to or in the immediate vicinity of the airport to those that are compatible with normal airport operations
- 22** Economic Nondiscrimination – cannot unjustly discriminate against airport users or tenants
- 23** Exclusive Rights – no exclusive use rights permitted
- 24** Fee and Rental Structure – self-sustaining as possible
- 25** Airport Revenues – all revenues generated by the airport must be expended at the airport
- 31** Disposal of Land – identifies how to dispose of land that is no longer needed for airport purposes





## Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation One-on-One Interview Summary

This interview summary is a high-level overview of the perspectives, comments and recommendations the project team heard and documented in our one-on-one interviews. This summary is a snapshot of feedback to consider as part of the project. As a member of the CWG, you are encouraged to consider perspectives that may differ from your own and be prepared to discuss your lived experiences and perspectives at the first CWG meeting.

- Understand what options the city will and will not consider
  - Close the airport
  - Repurpose the airport
  - Improve airport facilities and community relations
- Further restrictions beyond today's voluntary noise procedures
  - Engage congressional delegations given similar themed proposed legislation
  - Enhance flight tracking software capabilities
  - Update rules, regulations, and leasing policies to incentivize compliance with the noise program
- Noise abatement procedures are stricter at Boulder than most airports
  - Is the noise of a plane louder than other environmental factors? (cars, lawn mowers etc)
- Airport noise impacts the wildlife and environment surrounding Boulder
- Greater citizen involvement and accountability through restructured governance
  - Citizen board with biannual updates to City Council
  - Airport expenses better delineated in the transportation budget
  - Provide web-based real time flight data
- Remove leaded fuel from BDU
  - Concern about flight traffic over schools and recreation areas
  - Residents have reported finding lead in the soil in their homes
  - Impact on overall air quality
- Enhance safety, reduce risks, implement a Traffic Management Program for use of runways:
  - Introduce traffic pattern modifications
  - Evaluate touch and go activity
  - Enforcement for individuals/companies who deactivate collision avoidance systems
- Update Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedures at the airport
  - Technical Noise Committee made up of airport tenants to address community complaints and buy-in





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- Improve signage at the airport to educate departing pilots on noise abatement procedures
  - Communicate to the public the steps the group is taking to address noise complaints
  - Landing fees for non-based aircraft to recoup facility operation and maintenance expenses:
    - Implement technology solutions
  - Implement rules, regulations, and leasing policies for tenant accountability
    - Tenants need to understand long term plan for airport
  - Airport repurposing or alternative uses, or access restrictions:
    - Economic benefit and cost of having an airport versus other potential uses requires additional study, outside of the scope of this process.
  - Reduce from two to one runway:
    - Only allow FAA compliant runways
  - Prioritize new technology at Boulder airport
    - Electric aircraft
    - Self-launching gliders
    - Urban air mobility
  - FAA Rules and regulations
    - FAA does not enforce liability insurance rules
  - Improve community involvement and perception
    - Community movie nights
    - Open a restaurant or café
    - Airport supports crucial environmental research, brings grant funding to Boulder
    - Airport operations support innovation
    - Share ways tenants are improving and abiding by Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedures
    - Pilots and tenants need to be good neighbors, but community members should strive to understand the role of the airport
  - Increase investment in the airport
    - Change lease structure so business can invest in new hangars and facilities
    - Update building code to enable tenants to develop hangars without facility requirements of storage units
    - Support the development of new hangars
    - Improve FBO facilities to improve reputation and service
  - Training facilities are crucial to the industry
    - New pilot training support nationwide aviation
    - Youth outreach provides access to those who might not otherwise



- Training operations are the cornerstone of some airport tenant's businesses
- Tow planes and glider operations
  - Safety concerns about gliders sharing airspace with motorized aircraft
  - Tow planes are noisy and tend to fly over residences
- Privacy and retaliation
  - Tenants concerned that citizens have access to their personal information through noise complaints
  - Citizens are concerned with pilots and airport users retaliating against them
- Airport closure will endanger scientific research based at Boulder
  - Some research operations are deeply tied to the airport and cannot easily move
  - Even if the operation moved to a different airport, all research is calibrated for Boulder – aircrafts may come back and fly over for calibration flights
  - Boulder is a hub for scientific research and innovation and research, these operations support it
  - Research operations receiving federal grants have strict internal noise abatement procedures
- BDU needs to be a better neighbor
  - Some pilots and users live in neighborhood adjacent to the airport
  - Adhering to voluntary noise abatement procedures is important some users and pilots
- There are land use and city planning conflicts
  - Density is increasing in areas around the airport, increasing the numbers of people impacted by the airport
  - Schools were approved to operate near the airport and are impacted by noise and other environmental factors
  - The city has affordable housing goals to meet
- Housing is a pressing issue in the city
  - Growth in areas around the airport is increasing the numbers of individuals impacted
  - Affordable housing is needed in Boulder and the airport site is an interesting opportunity for meeting those needs
- Inflammatory individuals worsen complaints and relations
  - "Noise crusaders" who would like to see the airport close
    - A handful of cities file repeated complaints
  - Quiet skies group organize online to file complaints
  - One tenant has been identified as a root cause of the problems by several people at the airport



## Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation Boulder Planning Document Summary

### [Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan – 6.23](#)

**Municipal Airport:** Boulder Municipal Airport is a general aviation airport that has been in existence since 1928. The airport will continue to ensure it meets the needs of the community by providing a safe environment for aviation business and business-related travel, scientific and research flights, recreation and tourism, flight training and vocational education, aerial fire-fighting, emergency medical flights as well as flood and other disaster-related support for the city and county. The city will seek to mitigate noise, safety and other impacts of airport operation while assuring that new development in proximity will be compatible with existing and planned use of the airport. At the time of the next Airport Master Plan, the city will work with the community to reassess the potential for developing a portion of the airport for housing and neighborhood-serving uses.



## [2022 Sustainability, Equity and Resilience Framework](#)

**Safe:** A welcoming and inclusive community that fosters positive neighborhood and community relations and ensures that all residents are secure and cared for during emergencies and natural disasters. Public infrastructure is well-maintained and reliable, and natural resources like water, air, and land are protected.

**Healthy and socially thriving:** All Boulder residents are able to meet their critical needs, enjoy high levels of social, physical, and mental well-being, and have access to abundant recreational, cultural and educational opportunities in an environment that respects and celebrates human rights.

**Livable:** High-performing, safe, and well-maintained buildings and infrastructure that accommodate a diverse set of community needs for working, learning, playing, and living.

**Accessible and connected:** A safe, accessible, and sustainable multimodal transportation system that connects people with each other and where they want to go. Open access to information is provided both physically and digitally to foster connectivity and promote community engagement.

**Environmentally sustainable:** A sustainable, thriving, and equitable community that benefits from and supports clean energy; preserves and responsibly uses the earth's resources; and cares for ecosystems.

**Responsibly governed:** A local government that provides an excellent customer experience, responsibly manages the city's assets, and makes data-driven decisions informed by community engagement inclusive of those who have been historically excluded from government programs and services. The city organization exemplifies an employer of choice with policies and programs to support employee inclusion and well-being.

**Economically vital:** A healthy, accessible, resilient, and sustainable economy based on innovation, diversity, and collaboration that benefits all residents, businesses, and visitors.



### [2007 Airport Master Plan Plan Highlights](#)

- Goals of Boulder Municipal Airport
  - Operate in a safe and efficient manner
  - Continue to serve the needs of the Boulder Aviation community
  - Maximize compatibility with the community with regard to aircraft noise impacts
  - Maintain financial self-sustainability
- The airport is self-sustaining and does not receive subsidies from the city of Boulder General Fund or Transportation Fund.
- Boulder Municipal Airport has received several FAA grants that help pay 90-95% of the costs associated with airport upkeep and capital improvement projects.
- Maintain an appealing appearance of the airport, using the same high standard of quality and condition used for other city-owned buildings. Bring grounds and buildings, both city-owned and non city-owned, up to this standard of condition.
- FAA grants were also used to acquire 49 of the airport's 179 acres.



## [2019 Boulder Transportation Master Plan](#)

### **Transportation Vision and Goals**

A safe, accessible and sustainable multimodal transportation system connecting people with each other and where they want to go. Our transportation system will:

- Be safe
- Be equitable
- Be reliable
- Provide travel choices
- Support clean air and our climate commitment

### **Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan Core Values**

The TMP reflects long-standing community values contained in the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan (BVCP) and is meant to implement those values in transportation. The transportation system is our largest public asset and should reflect community values and support citywide initiatives. BVCP values that are particularly important to transportation are:

- Sustainability as a unifying framework to meet environmental, economic and social goals
- Strong city and county cooperation
- Great neighborhoods and public spaces
- Environmental stewardship and climate action
- A vibrant economy based on Boulder's quality of life and economic strengths
- An all-mode transportation system to make getting around without a car easy and accessible to everyone
- Physical health, safety and well-being



### [East Boulder Subcommunity Plan – Vision Statements](#)

**Access & Mobility:** People and goods will easily and safely travel to, from, and through East Boulder by a variety of efficient, practical and affordable transportation modes, employing advanced transportation technology where appropriate.

**Arts & Culture:** The city will support the development of art spaces and experiences, installations, businesses and venues for professional and amateur creatives that enhance the subcommunity’s local culture.

**Design Quality & Placemaking:** East Boulder will include walkable neighborhoods, for all ages and abilities, whose aesthetic character reflect the subcommunity’s industrial identity. Experimentation in design and construction to build enduring and engaging places will be encouraged.

**Housing Affordability & Diversity:** East Boulder will be home to new and affordable housing that complements existing uses, includes a diverse mix of housing types and ownership models and extends live-work-play choices in the community.

**Local Business:** The city will support affordable business space, support a wide variety of businesses and help deliver attractive neighborhoods so local businesses can thrive in East Boulder

**Resilience & Climate Commitment:** Development, redevelopment and transportation systems in East Boulder will support the city’s climate action plan to reduce emissions, become net-zero and carbon-positive. They will be designed to respect and enhance the area’s natural resources and minimize impacts of natural disruptions, including flood events. The subcommunity’s numerous public and health care facilities will provide a strong network for resilience in the face of future health crises.



## STUDY SESSION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**FROM:** Nuria Rivera-Vandermyde, City Manager  
Chris Meschuk, Deputy City Manager  
Natalie Stiffler, Interim Director of Transportation & Mobility  
John Kinney, Boulder Airport Senior Manager  
Allison Moore-Farrell, Senior Transportation Planner

**DATE:** January 12, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Boulder Airport Community Conversation

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Boulder (city) will conduct community conversations with both on and off airport stakeholders and develop a range of alternatives for the future of Boulder Municipal Airport (BDU). This engagement process and resulting alternatives analysis will provide a better understanding of the desired future for BDU.

This study is expected to achieve the following:

- Understand community goals and aspirations for the airport
- Identify key issues and opportunities for consideration
- Identify a range of alternatives
- Identify preferred alternative
- Determine the next steps

Building on the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan, and in preparation for a future Airport Master Plan Update, the city has contracted with Kimley-Horn and their subconsultants to facilitate a series of community conversations with the Boulder community to understand their aspirational goals and desired outcomes for the future operation and/or development of BDU.

### QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL

Transportation & Mobility Department staff request that Boulder City Council offer general feedback on the proposed Boulder Airport Community Conversation process. Specific questions include:

1. Are there any additional stakeholder groups not already identified that should be included in the process?
2. Does Council have additional feedback about the process defined here for the Airport Community Conversation?
3. Are there additional considerations that the project team should be aware of?



## **BACKGROUND**

The city owns BDU, which is a general aviation airport that offers business, private, recreational, and emerging aviation services to the city and surrounding communities. It has two published runways and supports heavy glider operations.

The city has expressed interest in holding in-depth community conversations to better understand the aspirations of directly impacted stakeholders, residents, and traditionally underserved communities.

This memo provides the Boulder City Council an overview of the purpose of the project, initial themes from stakeholder interviews, and next steps. The project team plans to present the range of alternatives and the preferred alternative at the conclusion of the community conversations effort in June 2023.

## **CONSULTANT SCOPE OF WORK**

### **Overview**

The scope of this project is to carry out a community engagement process that identifies community goals and desired outcomes, a range of alternatives and the selection of a preferred alternative. The city is working to develop a deeper understanding of the desired future for BDU by engaging directly with the greater Boulder community, while being mindful of current obligations and commitments to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

Kimley-Horn and their subconsultants have begun connecting with various community members to understand common interests, challenges, opportunities, and potential alternatives through facilitating community conversations. Each conversation will aim to understand the stakeholders' points of view about the benefits of the airport, airport operations, how the airport affects community members, and determine what alternatives might be preferred. Following the in-depth interviews, the project team will form a Community Working Group (CWG) comprised of both on and off airport stakeholders which will meet three times over the course of the project. The project team will host two public open houses to engage the broader public in the community conversation about the future of the airport.

These community conversations and the CWG will help shape the development of a preferred alternative for the future of the airport and guide a future FAA Airport Master Plan Update should the City Council decide to pursue. Using the information gathered in these conversations, the project team will develop a range of up to four alternatives. The analysis of these alternatives will include goals, objectives, evaluation criteria and a high-level estimated cost of implementation. From these alternatives, the team will optimally identify a preferred alternative.

The preferred alternative presented may not be representative of all comments and concerns gathered during the community conversation process. There will likely be elements outside the alternatives that warrant additional quantification or discussion (including conversations with regulatory agencies) which will be addressed through a separate process complimentary to the alternatives. While mindful of the community recommendations, the project team will work with federal partners to understand how the recommendations will stand up to the continuing FAA obligations. The outcome of this additional study will be shared with the City Council for review, input, and further staff direction and guidance.

### **Community Conversation Strategy**

#### *Purpose*

The purpose of this strategy is to facilitate community conversations about aspirations and desired outcomes for the future of the airport. These conversations will help the project team understand and

contextualize the relationship between directly impacted communities and airport operations.

By speaking directly to stakeholders, the city will foster relationships between city and airport leadership and key stakeholder groups to meaningfully apply community input and desires into the future of the airport. Consistent with the City's Racial Equity Plan, the project team will engage directly with underserved community members and will collaborate with the city's Community Connectors to solicit feedback on the engagement strategy, process, and issues at hand. Staff and the project team will employ the city's Racial Equity Instrument to further refine the community engagement activities for this effort, with a focus on underrepresented communities including the San Lazaro Mobile Home Community and the Vista Village Mobile Home Community. Outreach to these communities will be used to inform the decisions for the future of the airport that prioritize community experiences and allow for diverse representation.

The desired outcome for this effort is for the city to gain a better understanding of the community's desires for the future operations and development of the airport and how it integrates into the community. Additionally, the city aims to identify common understanding among impacted stakeholders about the information gathering process and ensure that all parties and the broader community feel that their input was accurately and equitably considered.

#### *Stakeholder Interviews*

The community conversations kick off with one-on-one stakeholder interviews. These interviews provide key stakeholders who are directly impacted or have direct involvement with the airport an opportunity to discuss topics of primary interest and concern.

The project team received initial interview participant recommendations from airport and city staff. During the stakeholder interviews conducted so far, the project team asked participants if they had additional recommendations about other stakeholders to contact for this effort. In addition to this stakeholder list, city staff recommended names and groups to ensure this effort includes traditionally underserved communities. To facilitate broader participation, the project team is providing interpretation services for the interviews upon request.

Aviation safety is of the highest priority for the city and the FAA, both in air and on ground. As the regulatory agency, the FAA has vested interested in what occurs at the airport. There are some comments that occurred in which additional context is available:

- Several times it was requested that the city remove leaded fuel from BDU
  - On September 2, 2022, General Aviation Modifications, Inc. (GAMI) received a functional fleet wide approval through FAA's Supplemental Type Certificate process for an unleaded 100 octane fuel. While this is fuel is compatible with all existing infrastructure (airplane engines, fuel tanks, fuel pumps, fuel trucks, etc.) it will take some time to ramp up production of the G100UL fuel for distribution to all general aviation airports.
- Airport repurposing, alternative uses of airport land, and/or access restrictions:
  - A separate process quantified by legal reviews consistent with existing Grant Obligations with the FAA with cost benefit analysis is suggested
  - Land purchased with FAA grant monies in the past may preclude reuse of the airport land as anything other than an airport as a viable alternative
  - The FAA will require the airport sponsor to maintain compliance with all 39 grant assurances until federal obligations expire
  - Future development and the character of the airport will be part of the future Airport Master Plan

- As a federally obligated airport, the city must “...make the airport available as an airport for public use on reasonable terms and without unjust discrimination to all types, kinds and classes of aeronautical activities...” (FAA Grant Assurance 22).

The common comments, aspirations and desired outcomes heard during the initial stakeholder interviews can be categorized as follows:

- Further restrictions beyond today’s voluntary noise procedures:
  - Engage congressional delegations given similar themed proposed legislation
  - Enhance flight tracking software capabilities
  - Update rules, regulations, and leasing policies to incentivize compliance with the noise program
- Greater citizen involvement and accountability through restructured governance
  - Citizen board with biannual updates to City Council
  - Airport expenses better delineated in the transportation budget
  - Provide web-based real time flight data
- Remove leaded fuel from BDU
- Enhance safety, reduce risks, implement a Traffic Management Program for use of runways:
  - Introduce traffic pattern modifications
  - Evaluate touch and go activity
  - Enforcement for individuals/companies who deactivate collision avoidance systems
- Landing fees for non-based aircraft to recoup facility operation and maintenance expenses:
  - Implement technology solutions
- Implement rules, regulations, and leasing policies for tenant accountability
- Airport repurposing or alternative uses, or access restrictions:
  - Economic benefit and cost of having an airport versus other potential uses requires additional study, outside of the scope of this process.
- Reduce from two to one runways:
  - Only allow FAA compliant runways

#### *Community Working Group (CWG)*

After the initial interviews, the project team will convene a CWG which will consist of key stakeholders who will remain engaged throughout the project. The project team will use their input to create a series of three meetings, which will further refine stakeholder input, identify alternatives, and establish a setting for discourse between all impacted stakeholders. A key element of discussion will be education of all stakeholders as to what elements are allowed or precluded from implementing by the FAA and or the City of Boulder as the airport sponsor.

Members of the CWG are expected to include (but are not limited to):

1. Interview participants
2. Other key stakeholders to represent the broader community including residents geographically located near the airport
3. Aviation community members such as pilots and tenants
4. Underserved community members who may be directly impacted by the current operations and future alternatives and may include Community Connectors

The CWG will meet three times throughout the course of the project to collaborate with city to develop a range of alternatives for the future of the BDU. The first meeting will be a vision workshop in February 2023 where members will talk about the future of the airport, their role as a CWG and determine what a successful project will look like. In April 2023, the CWG will meet to establish community priorities and

begin to outline a range of alternatives for consideration. The third and final CWG meeting will establish the preferred alternative to be shared with the project team.

#### *Public Open House Meetings*

One-on-one interviews and establishing the CWG will help identify a range of alternatives and define the Preferred Alternative. In order to allow the wider community to participate in the process, the project team will plan and execute two public open house meetings.

Immediately following the first CWG meeting, the project team will host the first public open house meeting to inform the community about the history of the airport and provide a snapshot about what the city has heard from the interviews and CWG group so far. A community survey will coincide with this meeting to solicit initial feedback from the community to aid in the development of the range of alternatives.

The second public open house meeting will coincide with the second CWG. This will allow the public to learn about the alternatives identified for evaluation, solicit initial feedback on the alternatives and encourage continued engagement throughout the project and beyond.

The consultant will prepare informational content for the city to execute. These materials will include: one community survey to gather initial community feedback, one community survey to gather community feedback on the range of alternatives, two informational fliers (English and Spanish) and a digital resource package (website text, images and social media graphics with supporting text).

#### *Alternatives Analysis*

Using the information gathered through this process the project team will develop up to four alternatives. The analysis of these alternatives will include goals, objectives, evaluation criteria and estimated cost of implementation. From these four alternatives, the team will identify a single preferred alternative.

The evaluation criteria developed to assess alternatives will be based on applicable city and project requirements; State, Division of Aeronautics, and FAA considerations; and community and stakeholder perspectives garnered through the robust outreach previously described. The evaluation criteria are a lens to consider the alternatives for BDU.

#### **Tasks and Schedule**

<b>Engagement/Outreach</b>	
Develop Engagement Plan	Within two weeks of notice to proceed (NTP)
Develop Stakeholder List to be used for interviews and Community Working Group (CWG)	Within two weeks of NTP
Conduct a Situation Analysis/Community Conversations	NTP through February 2023
Conduct up to 10 total meetings with airport stakeholders and community at-large to develop goals, objectives, evaluation criteria, and resulting alternatives	Ongoing throughout project
Prepare for and present an initial report to the City Council	NTP through January 12, 2023
Prepare for and conduct CWG #1 to discuss the community vision for BDU.	January/February 2023

Prepare for and conduct a Public Open House #2	Immediately following CWG #1
Prepare for and conduct CWG #2 to develop community priorities and present the range of alternatives	April 2023
Prepare for and conduct a Public Open House #2	Immediately following CWG #2
Prepare for and conduct CWG #3 to develop the community recommendations	May 2023
Prepare for and present range of alternatives considered, evaluation criteria and the preferred alternative to the City Council	June 2023
Develop communication materials for City to execute	Ongoing throughout the project
<b>Develop the Range of Alternatives</b>	
Develop goals, objectives, evaluation criteria, and a range of alternatives (up to four), recommendations going forward and estimated cost of implementation	NTP –through April 2023
<b>Identify a Preferred Alternative</b>	
Determine and prepare presentation of the Preferred Alternative integrating CWG, broader community, city and project team recommendations	May 2023
Prepare for and present range of alternatives and preferred alternative to the City Council	June 2023
<b>Report Preparation</b>	
Prepare Draft Report and Executive Summary	Ongoing throughout project – completed June 30, 2023
Prepare Final Report and Executive Summary	

## NEXT STEPS

- Continue stakeholder interviews and refine CWG member list – January 2023
- Conduct CGW meetings
  - Vision workshop – February 2023
  - Community priorities and range of alternatives – April 2023
  - Community recommendations – May 2023
- Hold Public Open House #1 – February 2023
- Hold Public Open House #2 – April 2023
- Develop range of alternatives and optimally identify a preferred alternative – ongoing – May 2023
- City Council presentation – June 2023
- Final report – June 2023

Optimally, a preferred alternative will be presented at the conclusion of this study for the City Council's review, consideration, and potential budgetary impacts.

# Boulder Airport Community Conversation

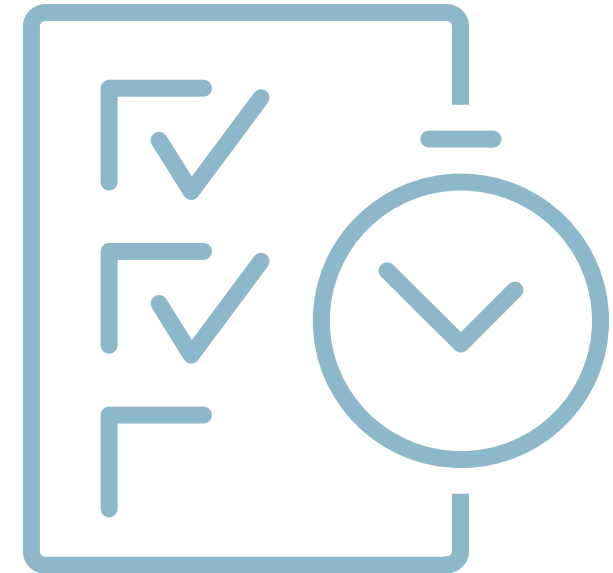
City Council Study Session  
January 12, 2023

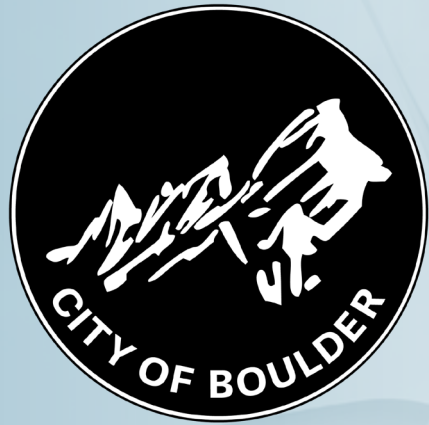




# Presentation Outline

- Background and Goals
- Community Conversation Strategy
- Schedule and Next Steps
- Questions for Council





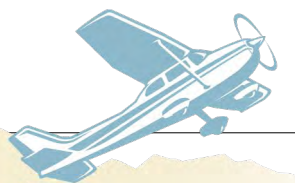
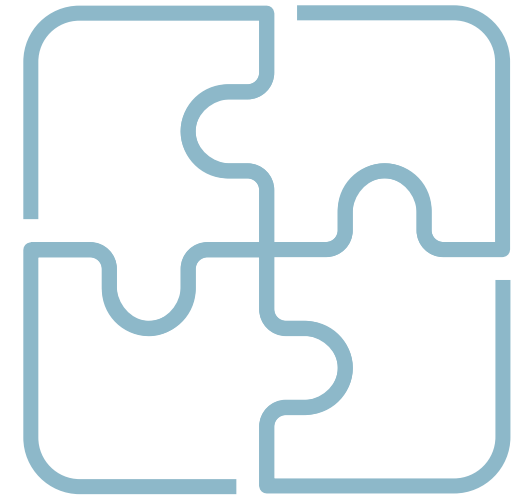
# Background and Goals





# Background

- Owned by City of Boulder in partnership with FAA
- General aviation facility with two published runways
- Offers business, private, recreational, and emergency response and recovery services
- Training flight schools
- Robust glider operations





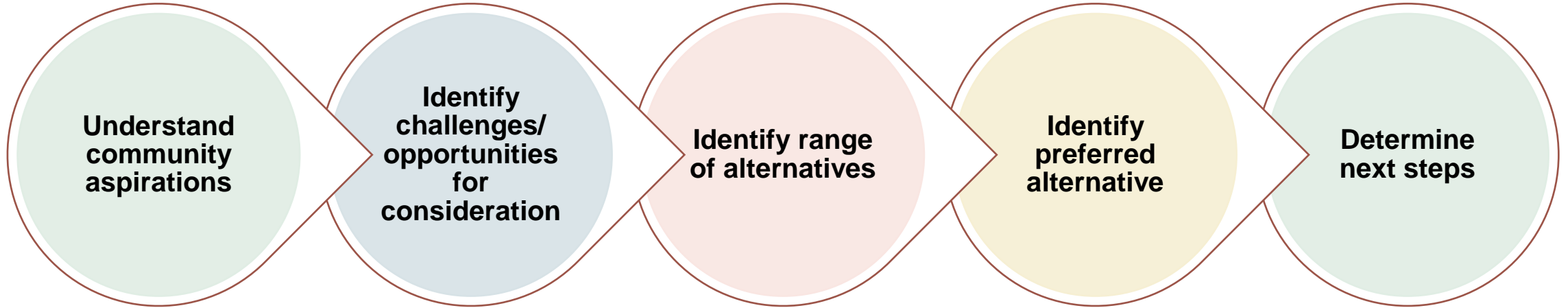
# Noise Technical Committee

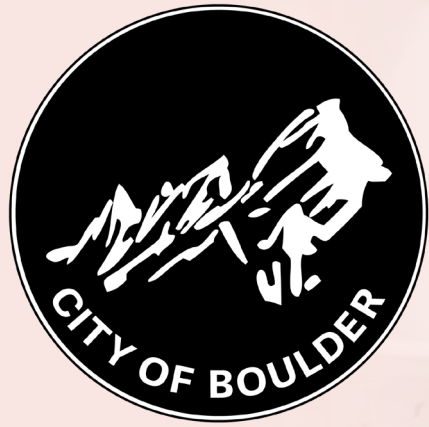
- First meeting held in November 2022
- Formed group to review and improve the existing voluntary noise abatement program (NAP)
- Aim to address noise complaints and establish positive relationship with surround residents
- Concurrent effort with Community Conversations





# Project Goals



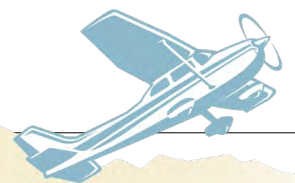


# Community Conversation Strategy



# Purpose

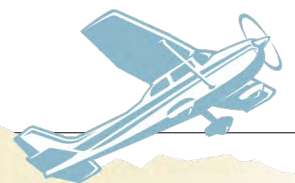
- Facilitate community conversations with on and off airport stakeholders
- Listen to community and understand impacts on surrounding communities
- Recognize desired outcomes for future airport operations
- Consistently apply the city's Racial Equity Plan
  - Employ Racial Equity Instrument
  - Focus on underrepresented communities





# Stakeholder Interviews

- Participants include a diverse set of on and off airport stakeholders suggested by airport and city staff and interview participants
- Allow participants to discuss topics of their primary concern
- Project team to provide simultaneous interview interpretation services



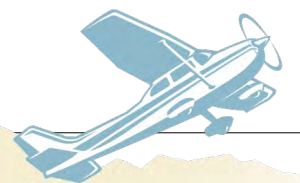


# Initial Interview Feedback

Accountability  
 Engage legislators  
 Collision avoidance systems  
 Airport expense tracking  
 Restructured governance  
 Citizen involvement  
 Restrictions  
 FAA compliance  
 Alternative uses

Airport repurposing  
 Update economic benefits  
 Remove leaded fuel  
 Noise  
 Accessible information  
 Landing fees  
 Leasing policies  
 Access restrictions

Real-time data  
 Reduced runways  
 Rules and regulations  
 Flight tracking software  
 Citizen board  
 Enhance safety  
 Incentivize compliance





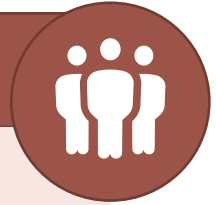
# Community Working Group (CWG)

## Meeting themes

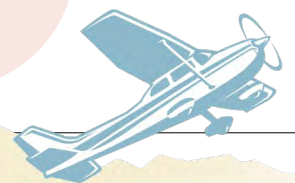


- **February 2023** - Vision workshop
- **April 2023** - Establish community priorities and outline a range of alternatives
- **May 2023** - Establish a preferred alternative to share with project team

## Members



- Interview participants
- Airport tenants
- Key stakeholders representing broader Boulder community
- Aviation community members
- Underserved community members

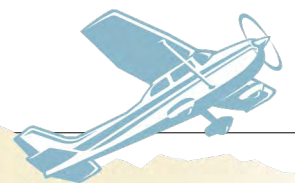






# Public Open House Meetings

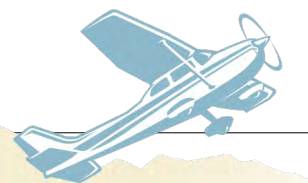
- Meeting #1 - Share history and gather feedback
- Meeting #2 - Share developing alternatives and gather feedback





# Alternatives Analysis

- Stakeholder conversations lead to developed range of alternatives
- Evaluation criteria considers
  - Community feedback
  - State/local requirements
  - FAA obligations
  - Emergency support services
- Identify preferred alternative





# Schedule and Next Steps





# Schedule



**Engagement  
and Outreach**

January 2023 – June 2023



**Develop  
Range of  
Alternatives**

January 2023 – April 2023



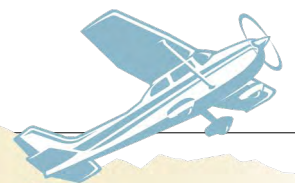
**Identify  
Preferred  
Alternative(s)**

May 2023 – June 2023



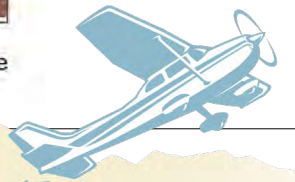
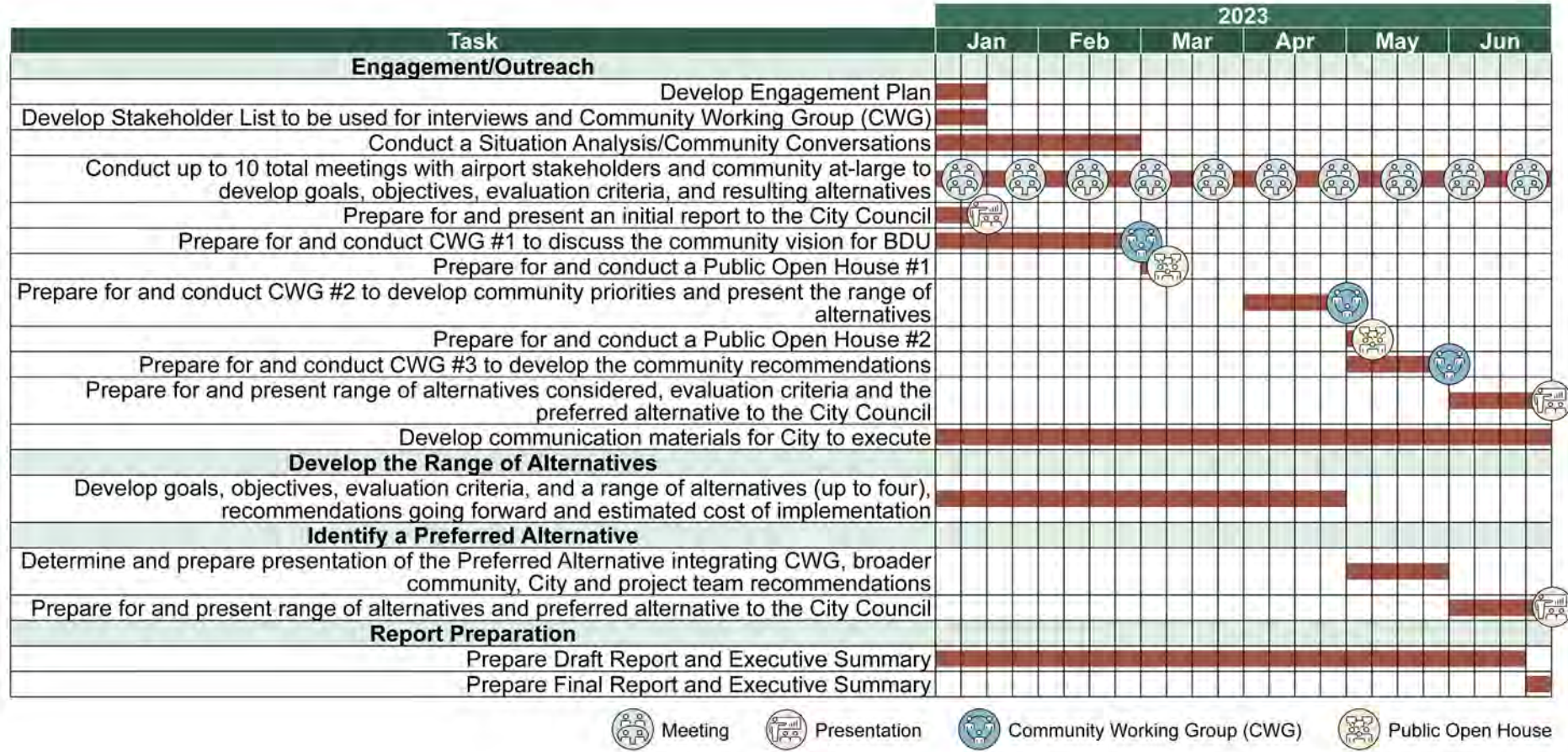
**Report**

January 2023 – June 2023



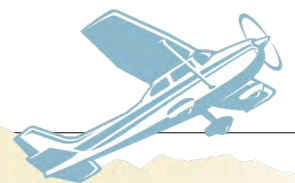
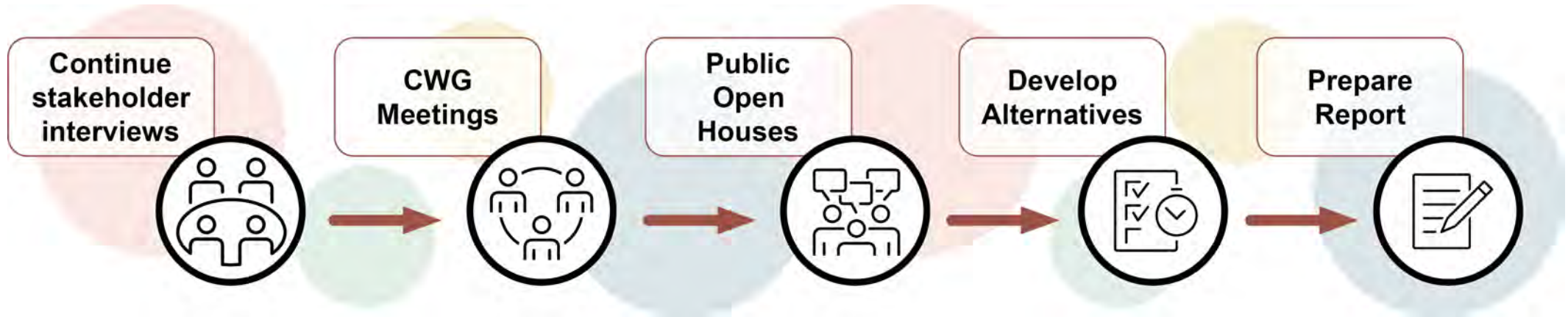


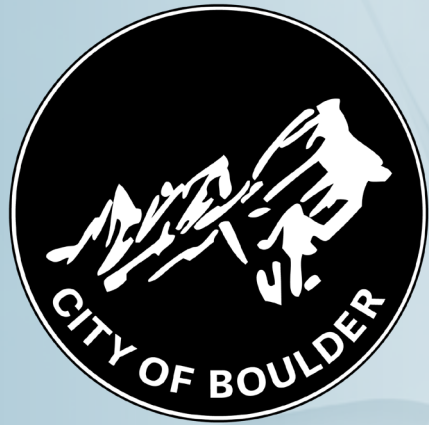
# Schedule





# Next Steps





# Questions



# Council Questions

- Are there any additional stakeholder groups not already identified that should be included in the process?
- Do you have additional feedback about the Community Conversation process?
- Are there additional considerations that the project team should be aware of?





# Boulder Municipal Airport

Boulder Municipal Airport  
3327 Airport Road  
Boulder, CO 80301

## Airport Administration

Phone: 303-441-3108  
E-mail: [BMA@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:BMA@bouldercolorado.gov)  
Website: [www.bouldercolorado.gov/airport](http://www.bouldercolorado.gov/airport)

## Airport Noise and Safety Reporting

Airport Manager: 303-441-3108  
Online Noise Complaint Form:  
[www.bouldercolorado.gov/airport](http://www.bouldercolorado.gov/airport)

## Federal Aviation Administration

Denver Flight Standards District Office: 303-342-1100  
Aviation Noise Ombudsman (Washington, DC): 202-493-5047

## Tiedown Rental

Airport Manager: 303-441-3108  
Journeys Aviation: 303-449-4210  
Specialty Flight Training, Inc.: 303-550-0550

## Hangar Rental

Airport Manager: 303-441-3108  
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## Aircraft Maintenance

Brungard Aviation: 303-440-4791

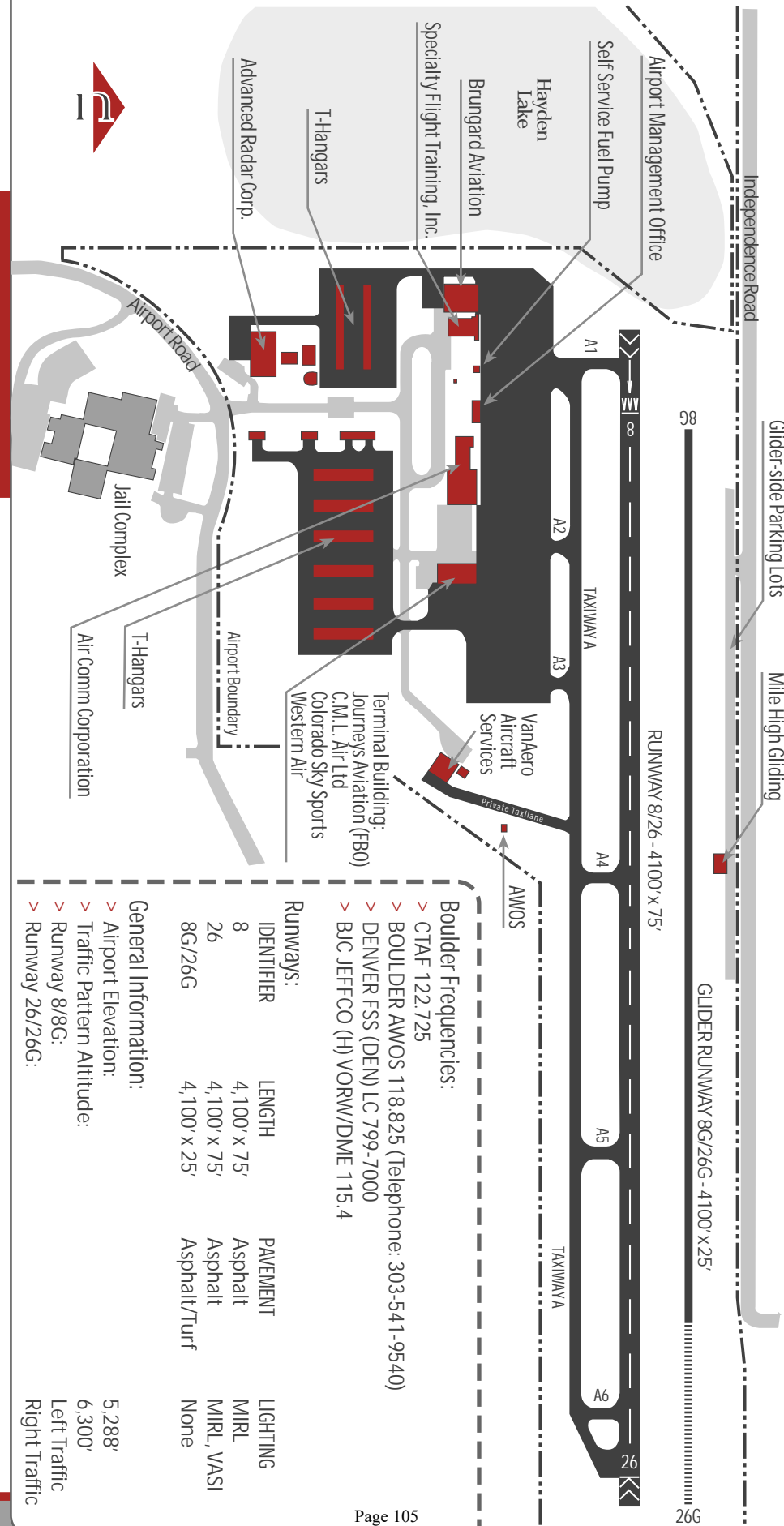
## Glider Training and Tie-down Rental

Mile High Gliding: 303-527-1122

## Flight Training

Journeys Aviation: 303-449-4210  
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# Airport Facilities



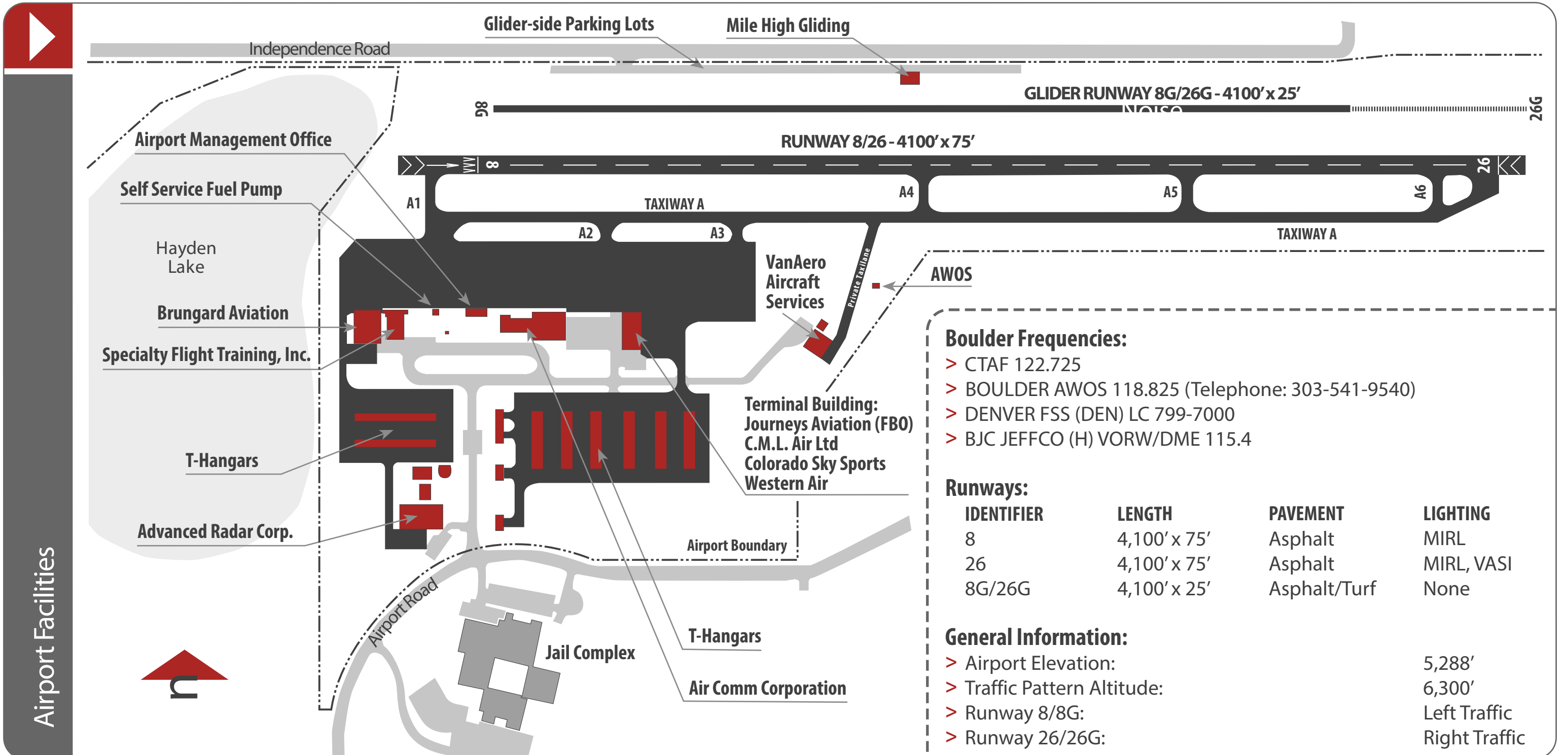
## Noise Abatement Procedures and Traffic Patterns





Boulder  
Municipal  
Airport

# Noise Abatement Procedures and Traffic Patterns



**Boulder Frequencies:**

- > CTAF 122.725
- > BOULDER AWOS 118.825 (Telephone: 303-541-9540)
- > DENVER FSS (DEN) LC 799-7000
- > BJC JEFFCO (H) VORW/DME 115.4

**Runways:**

IDENTIFIER	LENGTH	PAVEMENT	LIGHTING
8	4,100' x 75'	Asphalt	MIRL
26	4,100' x 75'	Asphalt	MIRL, VASI
8G/26G	4,100' x 25'	Asphalt/Turf	None

**General Information:**

- > Airport Elevation: 5,288'
- > Traffic Pattern Altitude: 6,300'
- > Runway 8/8G: Left Traffic
- > Runway 26/26G: Right Traffic

Airport Facilities

# Traffic Pattern

## Noise Abatement Procedures and Traffic Pattern Information

Your compliance with the following procedures is requested, unless otherwise required by FARs, weather conditions or aircraft limitations.

### NOISE ABATEMENT

- > Avoid overflying noise sensitive and residential areas.
- > If you must overfly shaded noise sensitive areas, please maintain 7,500' MSL or higher.
- > Avoid high RPM prop settings.
- > Do not fly north of Jay Road on downwind leg.
- > Traffic pattern altitude 6,300' MSL.
- > Use Runway 8 in calm wind conditions.
- > Pilots are requested to avoid making touch-and-go landings before 8:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m.
- > Pilots are requested to avoid flight operations between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

### GENERAL OPERATIONS & GLIDERS

- > Left traffic for Runway 8 or 8G.
- > Right traffic for Runway 26 or 26G.
- > Heavy glider and tow plane operations on parallel glider strip, with occasional "no radio" operations.
- > Runway 8/26 and 8G/26G are only separated by 197 feet, centerline to centerline.
- > No Simultaneous Approaches -- Pilots should treat the main runway and the glider strip as ONE runway.
- > Powered aircraft must yield right-of-way to glider aircraft, in accordance with FARs.
- > Gliders and tow planes arrive from the south, cross over mid-field and then enter a modified pattern inside the powered pattern.
- > Aircraft conducting a go-around should maintain below 500' AGL until departure end.
- > Use caution for gliders and tow planes maneuvering south and east of the airport.

### Runway 8

*Runway 8 Preferred Under Calm and Light Wind Conditions.*

### APPROACH & LANDING

- > No Straight-Ins to Runway 8.
- > Rwy 8: Base Entries Discouraged.
- > No Approaches West of 28th Street.
- > Avoid Flying West of 30th Street.
- > Fly Close Steep Approach (*Avoid "Dragging It In"*).

### DEPARTURE

- > No Turn Below 5,800' MSL for Closed Traffic.
- > Depart Straight Out. Turn North Only After Passing Residential Area.

### Runway 26

*Westerly Winds Only.*

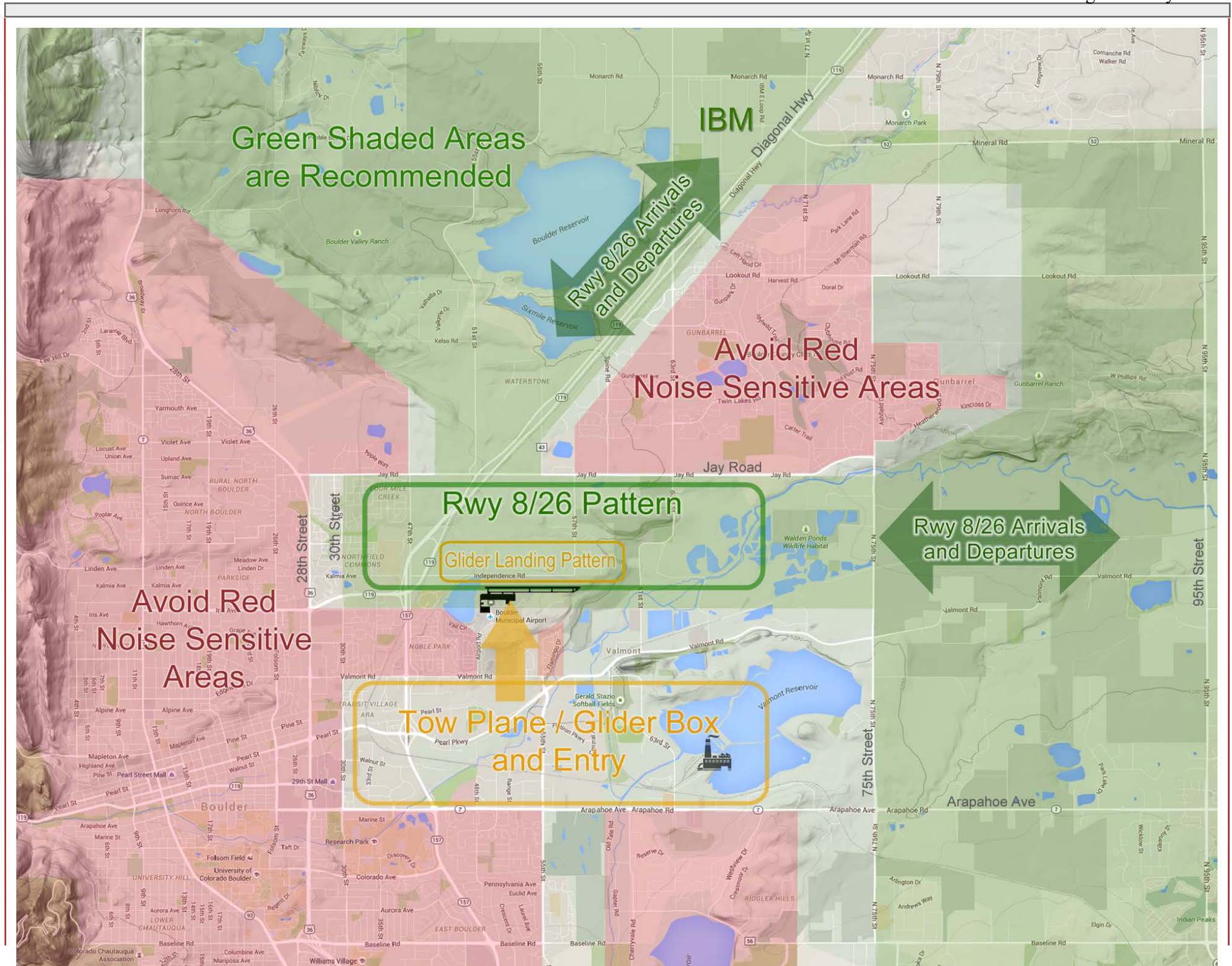
**CAUTION** — *Severe Turbulence and Down Draft May Occur During Strong Westerly Winds.*

### APPROACH & LANDING

- > 6,300' MSL and 1,000' AGL.
- > Rwy 26: Crosswind and Base Entries Discouraged.
- > RIGHT HAND TRAFFIC!

### DEPARTURE

- > Crosswind Leg East of 30th Street. Depart via Downwind.




# Boulder Municipal Airport Noise Abatement Procedure and Traffic Patterns Map



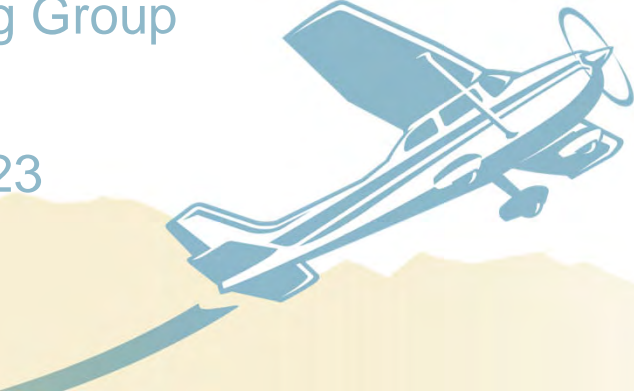
## Appendix D. CWG Introduction PowerPoint



# Boulder Airport Community Conversation



Community Working Group  
Meeting 1  
March 14, 2023





# Presentation Outline

- Introductions
- History
- Airport Information
- Planning Documents Highlights
- Breakout Discussions
- Closing



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CWG Meeting 1

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# Introductions





# Welcome







# History





# Community Planning Documents

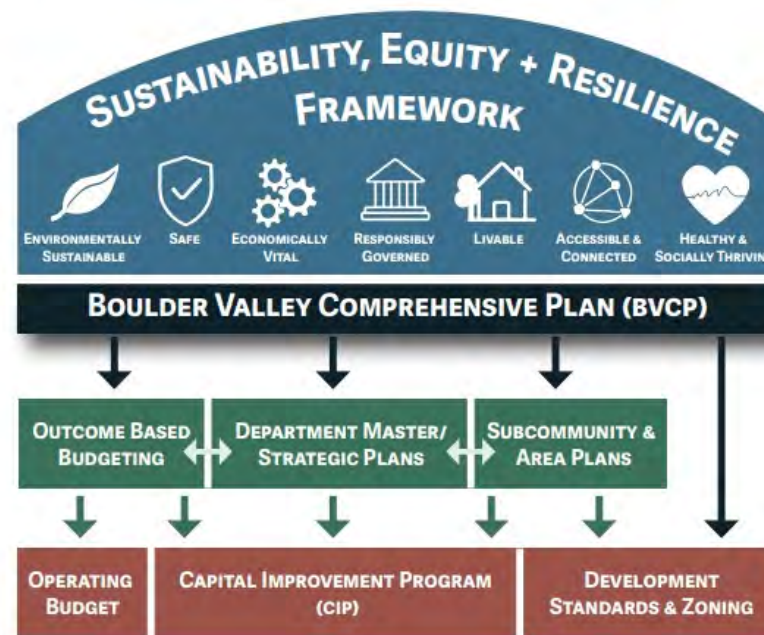




# Related City Plans

- ➔ Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan
- ➔ East Boulder Subcommunity Plan
- ➔ Transportation Master Plan
- ➔ Airport Master Plan

Figure 2-1: Relationship Between BVCP, Sustainability Framework & Implementation



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CWG Meeting 1

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# Next Steps





# Next Meeting

- Open House #1 – April 11, 2023
- CWG #2 – April 13, 2023

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CWG Meeting 1

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# What to Expect

## Meeting Schedule Overview

Meeting 2: Develop vision for the airport (big ideas, areas of improvements and challenges), develop criteria for a range of airport scenarios	April 13, 2023
Meeting 3: Develop criteria for a range of airport scenarios, discuss the range of scenarios (menu of future solutions)	May/June 2023
Meeting 4: Prioritize airport scenarios	July/August 2023
Meeting 5: Review preferred scenario and conduct reflection, share next steps	August/September 2023

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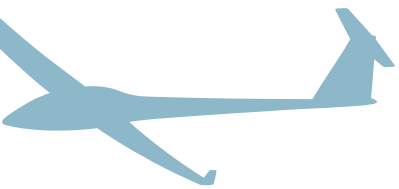




## Appendix E. CWG Data Breakout PowerPoint

# Boulder Airport Community Conversation

Community Working Group  
Detailed Airport Data Breakout Session  
March 14, 2023

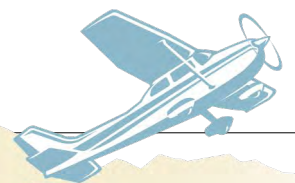


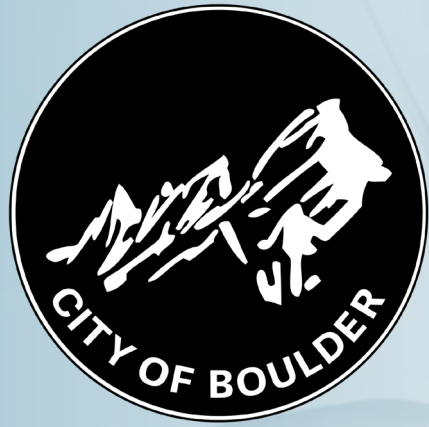




# Presentation Outline

- Tenant Information
- Airport Revenues and Expenses
- Aircraft Operations Data
- Flight Patterns
- Airport Closure Information





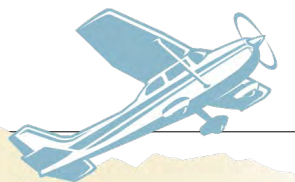
# Tenant Information



# Tenants

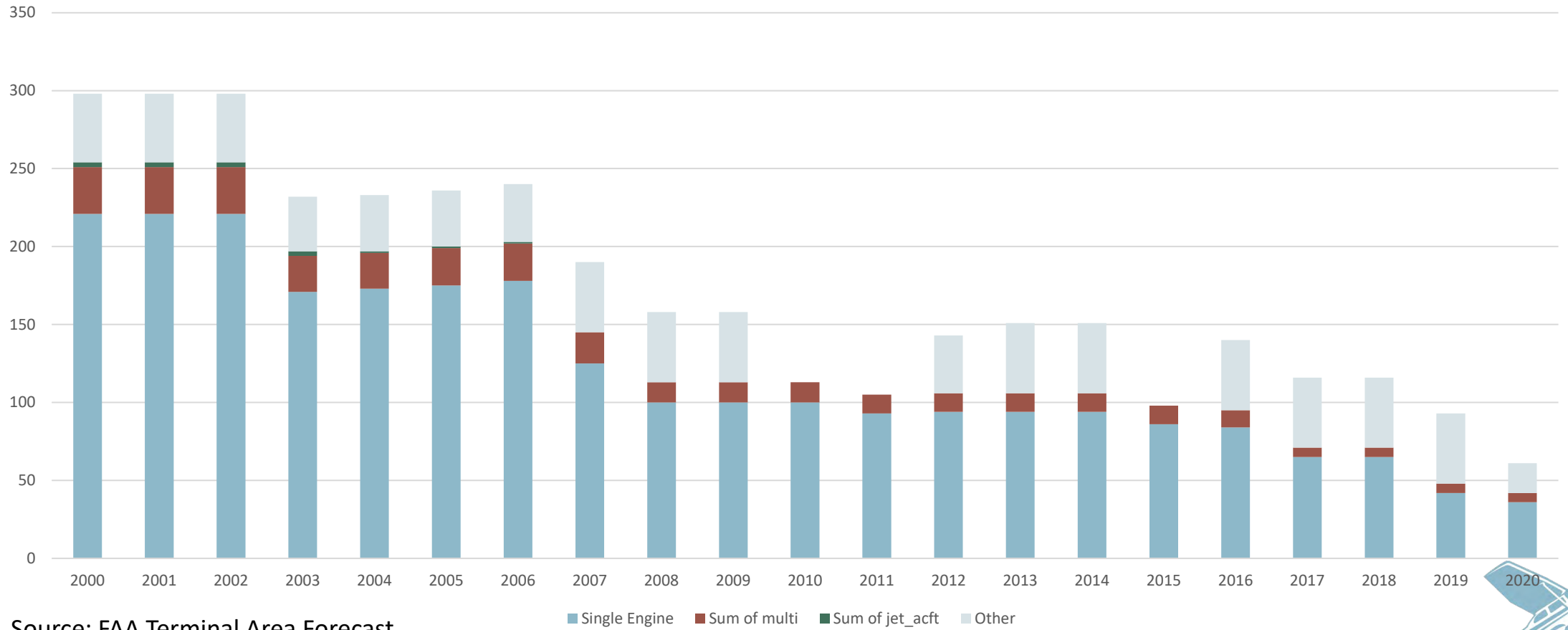
- 171 based aircraft
  - 129 fixed wing
  - 40 gliders
  - 2 helicopters
- Recreational
- Business owners

- Businesses based at BDU
  - Advanced Radar Corporation
  - AirComm Corporation
  - Big Heated Hangar
  - Brungard Aviation
  - Journeys Aviation
  - Mile High Gliding
  - NBI Inc.
  - Rad Brands Aviation
  - Ravens Roost
  - Scientific Aviation/National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON)
  - Soaring Society of Boulder
  - Specialty Flight School
  - Tango Aviation

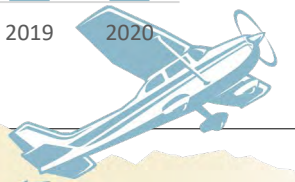




# Historical Based Aircraft at BDU

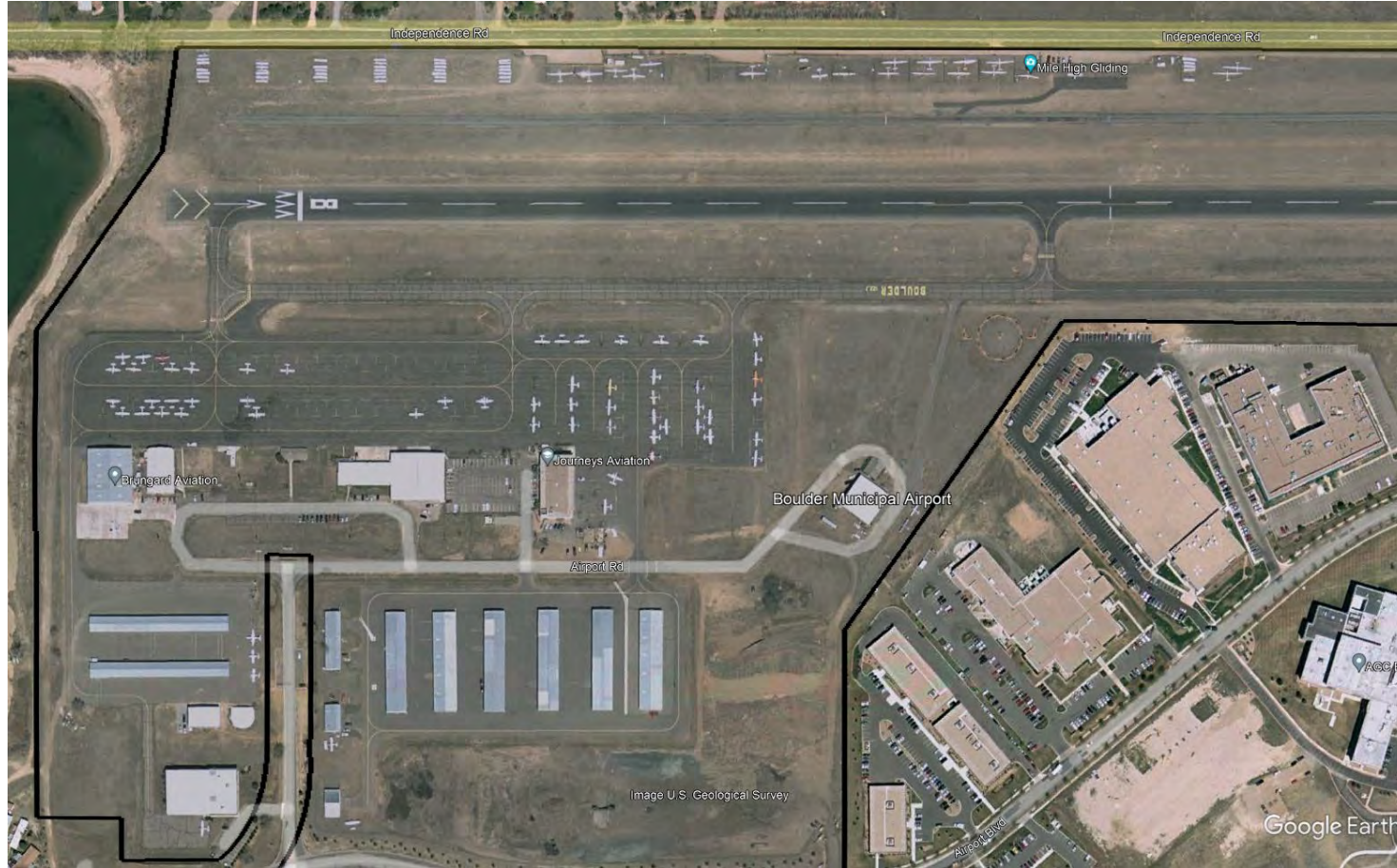


Source: FAA Terminal Area Forecast

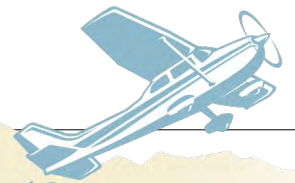




# December 31, 2001



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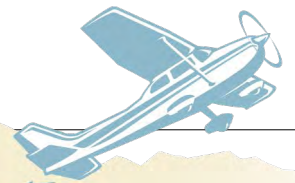


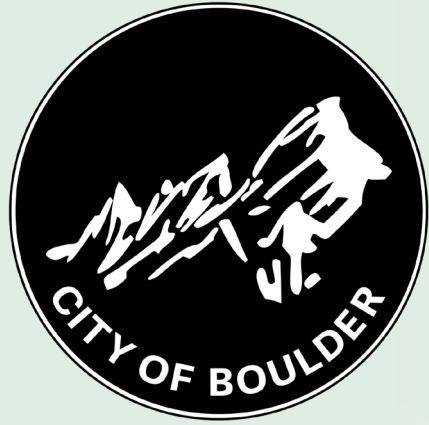


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# Operating Expenses and Revenues





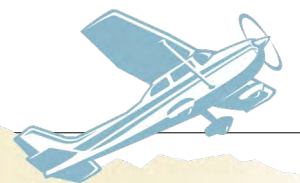
# Airport Expense and Revenue Sources

## Revenue

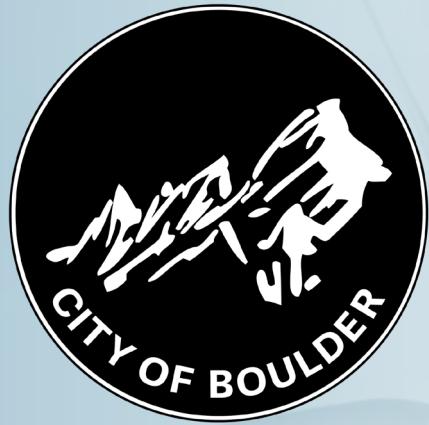
- Land leases
- Hangar rents
- Aviation Fuel Sales
- Miscellaneous
- Interest on Investments
- Grants

## Expenses

- Airport administration
- Airport operations and maintenance
- Capital projects
- Cost allocation and interfund transfers





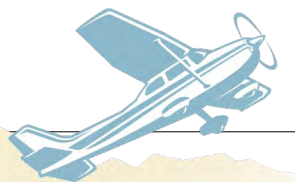


# Aircraft Operations Data



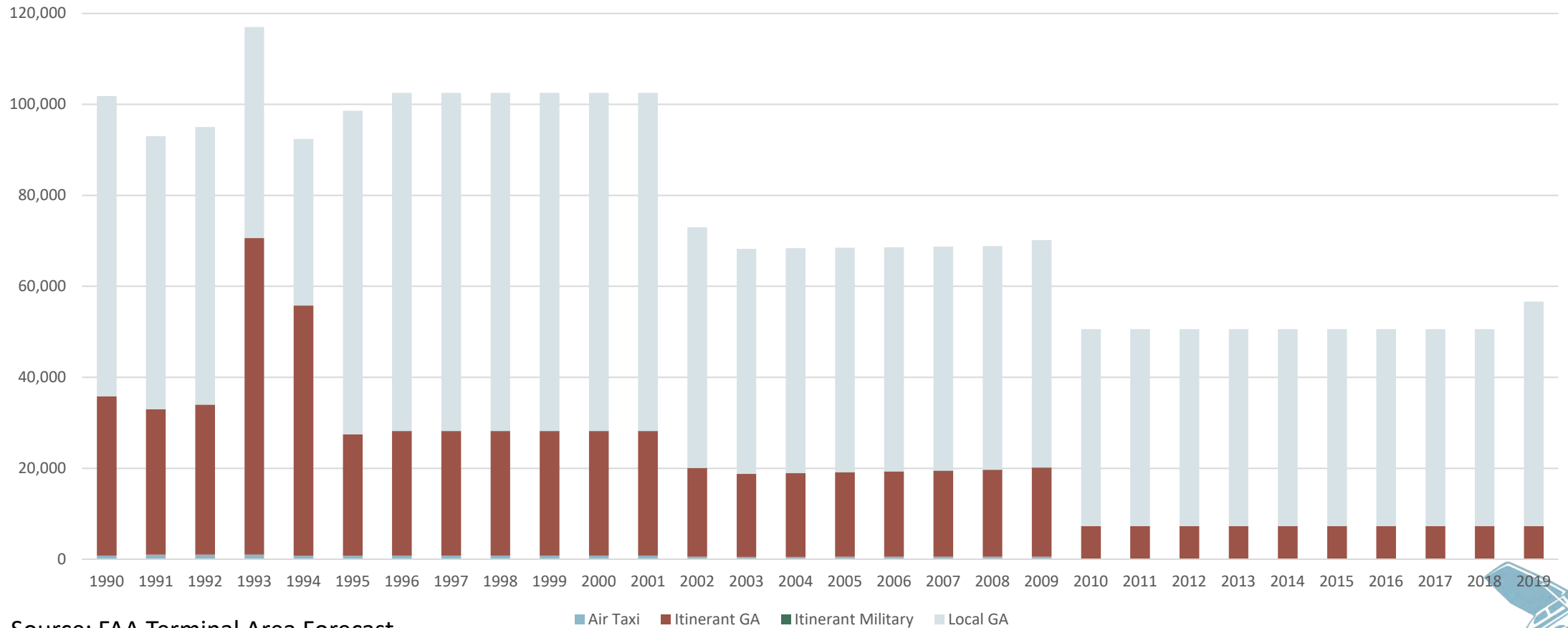
# Current Aircraft Operations Data

- An operation is a takeoff or a landing
  - A Touch and Go counts as 2 operations
- Generally, more activity on clear days, during hours when the sun is out
- About 150 operations a day
- About 55,000 operations annually
- Airport is not staffed 24/7/365
- Until May 2022, there had not been a way to track operations data



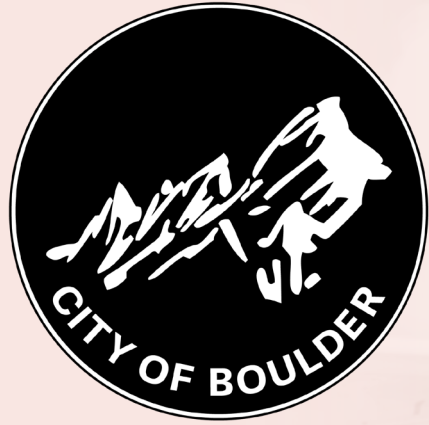


# Historical Aircraft Operations at BDU



Source: FAA Terminal Area Forecast





# Flight Patterns



# Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedure

**Traffic Pattern**

**Noise Abatement Procedures and Traffic Pattern Information**

Your compliance with the following procedures is requested, unless otherwise required by FARs, weather conditions or aircraft limitations.

**NOISE ABATEMENT**

- > Avoid overflying noise sensitive and residential areas.
- > If you must overfly shaded noise sensitive areas, please maintain 7,500' MSL or higher.
- > Avoid high RPM prop settings.
- > Do not fly north of Jay Road on downwind leg.
- > Traffic pattern altitude 6,300' MSL
- > Use Runway 8 in calm wind conditions.
- > Pilots are requested to avoid making touch-and-go landings before 8:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m.
- > Pilots are requested to avoid flight operations between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

**GENERAL OPERATIONS & GLIDERS**

- > Left traffic for Runway 8 or 8G.
- > Right traffic for Runway 26 or 26G.
- > Heavy glider and tow plane operations on parallel glider strip, with occasional "no radio" operations.
- > Runway 8/26 and 8G/26G are only separated by 197 feet, centerline to centerline.
- > No Simultaneous Approaches - Pilots should treat the main runway and the glider strip as ONE runway.
- > Powered aircraft must yield right-of-way to glider aircraft, in accordance with FARs.
- > Gliders and tow planes arrive from the south, cross over mid-field and then enter a modified pattern inside the powered pattern.
- > Aircraft conducting a go-around should maintain below 500' AGL until departure end.
- > Use caution for gliders and tow planes maneuvering south and east of the airport.

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**Runway 8**  
*Runway 8 Preferred Under Calm and Light Wind Conditions.*

**APPROACH & LANDING**

- > No Straight-Ins to Runway 8.
- > Rwy 8: Base Entries Discouraged.
- > No Approaches West of 28th Street.
- > Avoid Flying West of 30th Street.
- > Fly Close Steep Approach (Avoid "Dragging It In").

**DEPARTURE**

- > No Turn Below 5,800' MSL for Closed Traffic.
- > Depart Straight Out. Turn North Only After Passing Residential Area.

**Runway 26**  
*Westerly Winds Only. CAUTION - Severe Turbulence and Down Draft May Occur During Strong Westerly Winds.*

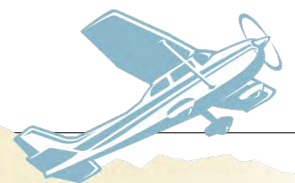
**APPROACH & LANDING**

- > 6,300' MSL and 1,000' AGL.
- > Rwy 26: Crosswind and Base Entries Discouraged.
- > RIGHT HAND TRAFFIC!

**DEPARTURE**

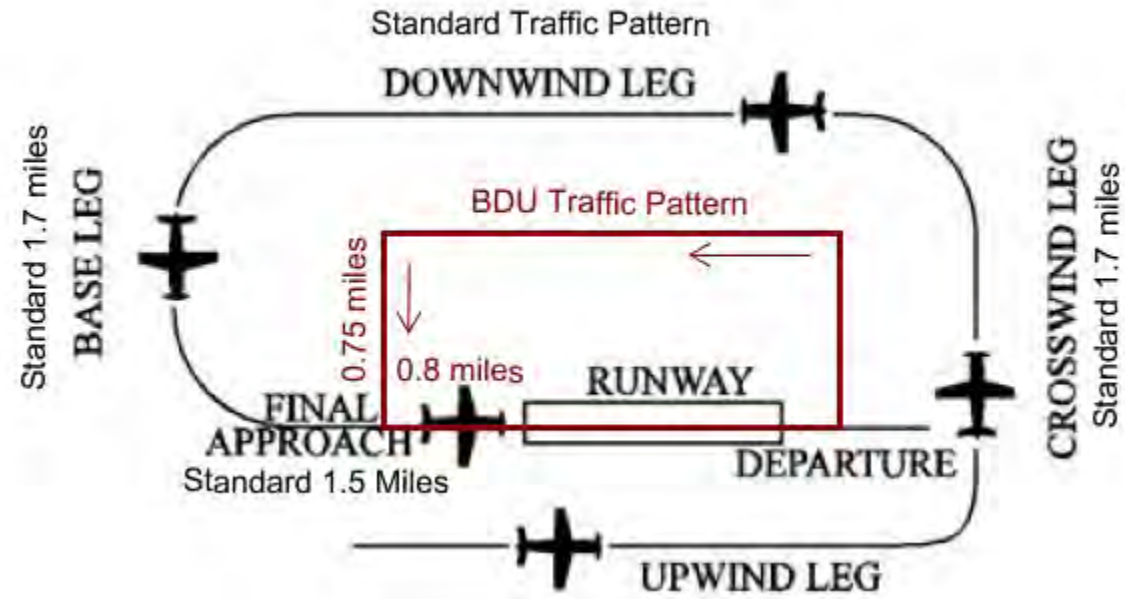
- > Crosswind Leg East of 30th Street. Depart via Downwind.

**Boulder Municipal Airport  
Noise Abatement Procedure  
and Traffic Patterns Map**



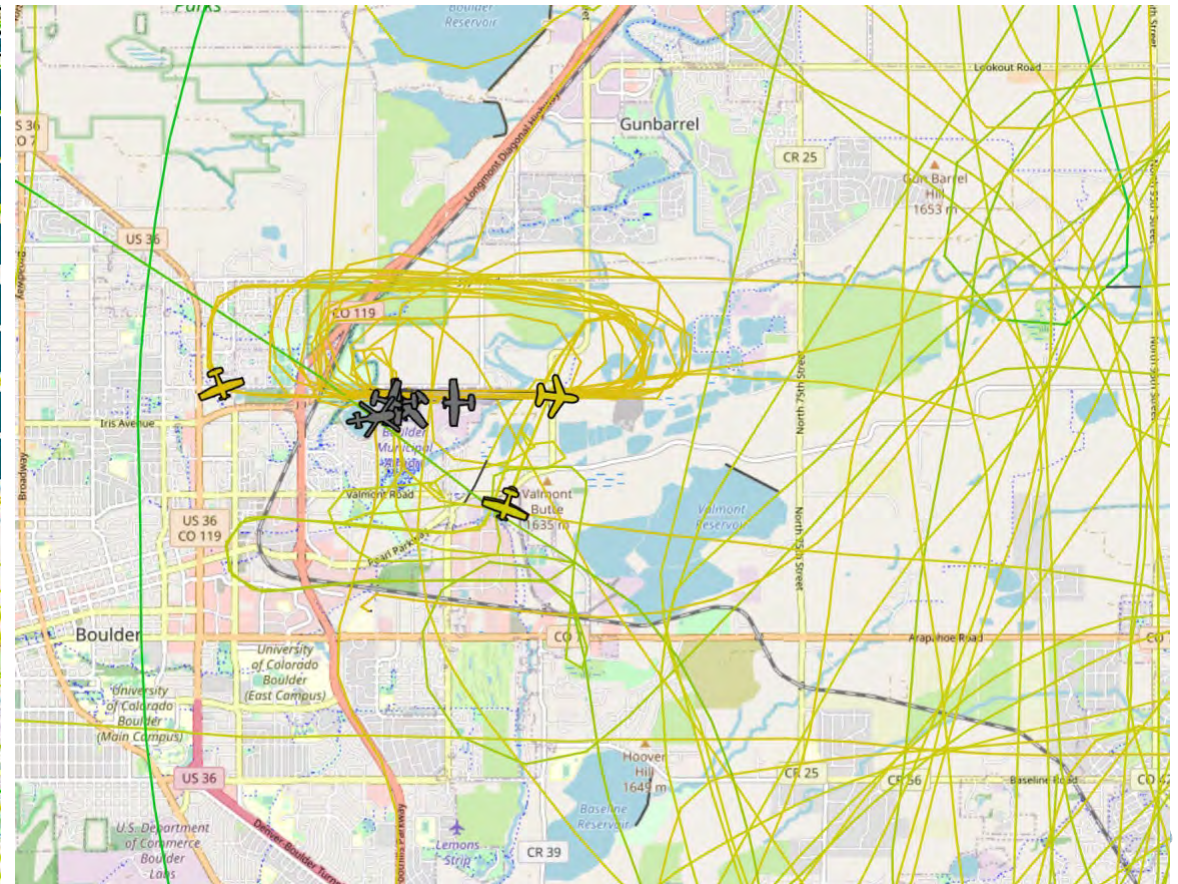
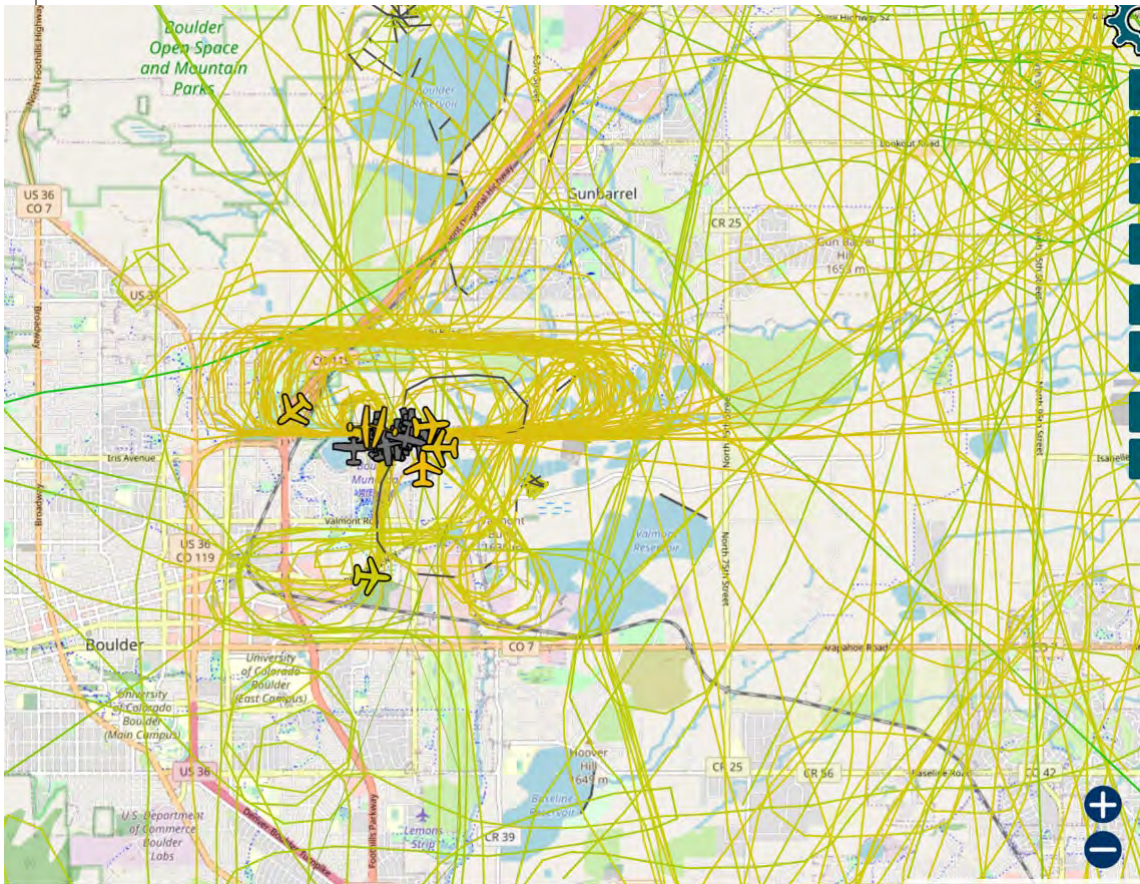


# Standard Traffic Pattern vs BDU Traffic Pattern





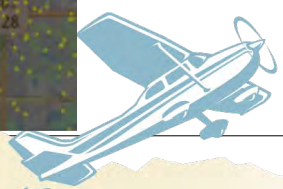
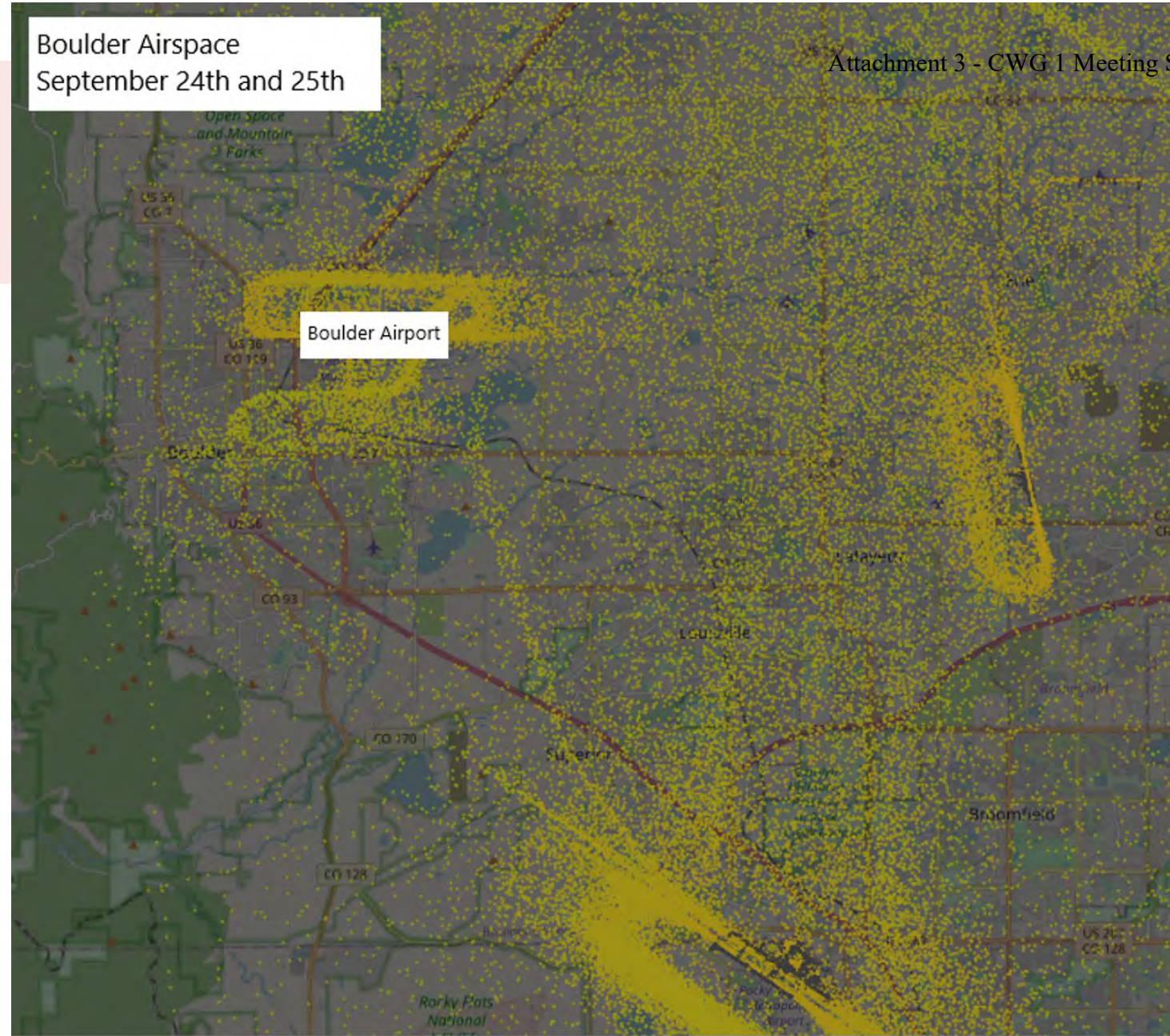
# Traffic Over Boulder Busy and Non-Busy Comparison



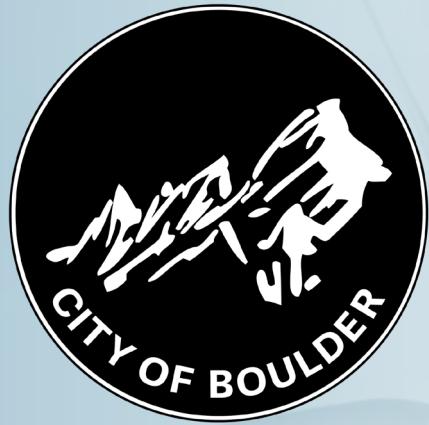
# Traffic in Region

Boulder Airspace  
September 24th and 25th

Attachment 3 - CWG 1 Meeting Summary







# Aircraft Using BDU



# General Aviation



Cessna 152



Cessna 172



Cessna 182



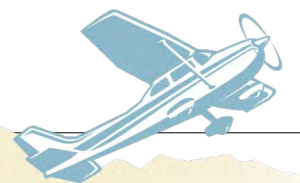
Piper Warrior



Beechcraft Bonanza 35



**Cessna 337**





# General Aviation – Turbine Aircraft



Beechcraft King Air 350



Embraer 505



De Havilland  
Twin Otter



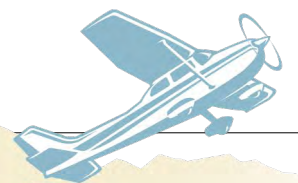
Cessna Citation II



Pilatus PC-12



Embraer Phenom 100





# Military Aircraft



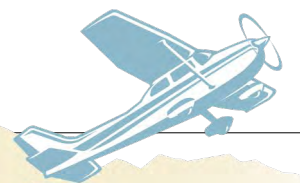
Black Hawk UH-60A



CH-47 Chinook



Pilatus PC-12





# 1940s Ball



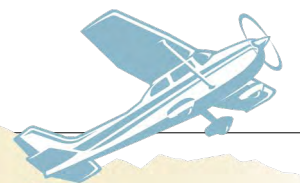
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North American T-6





# Firefighting

## At Boulder Municipal Airport



Air Tractor 802A  
(Single Engine Air Tanker)



Sikorsky S-64 Sky Crane



Black Hawk UH-60A

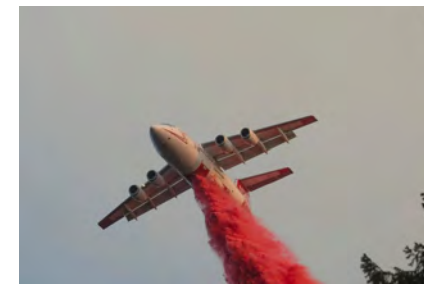
## At Rocky Mountain Metro



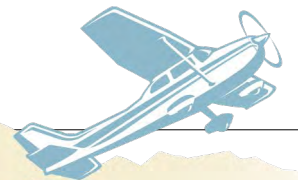
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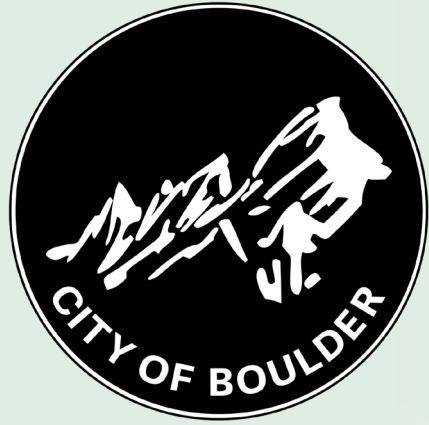


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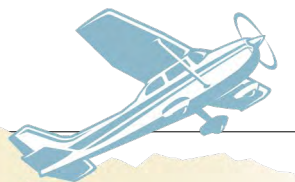
# Airport Closure Information





# Process

- Not easy; long process
- Requires FAA Headquarters level of approval
- FAA will apply FAA Order 5190.6B
- Will need to repay all FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants
  - Approximately \$11.7 million
- Land was purchased with FAA grant money
  - Reimburse the FAA at Fair Market Value







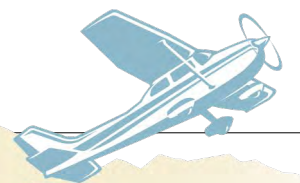
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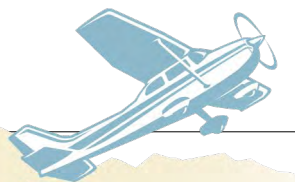
- FAA and legacy agencies, has had three grant programs since 1946
- Federal Aid to Airports Program (FAAP)
  - Airport Development Aid Program (ADAP)
  - Airport Improvement Program (AIP)





# Per FAA Order 5190.6B

- Section 4.3.a. “Federal obligations on the acquired land remain in effect until released by the FAA”
- Section 4.3.a.5. Disposal of land must conform to Grant Assurance 31
- Section 4.3.a.5. “...airport sponsor would have to reimburse the FAA for the Fair Market Value of the real property acquired with FAA’s FAAP and ADAP grants, if the airport land is no longer used for airport purposes.”

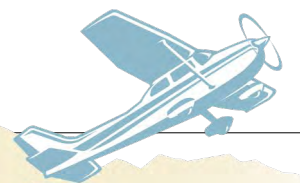




# Per FAA Order 5190.6B (continued)

→ Section 4.3.a.6. “The FAAP and ADAP grant assurances provide that they shall not exceed 20 years with respect to facilities developed with the grants. However, the 20-year limitation arguably applies only to ‘facilities developed under this Project’ - not to the underlying land - (which always has had an unlimited useful life.)”

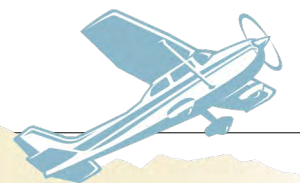
Of the approximately 179 acres of airport property, FAA grant money was used to acquire about 47 acres (26%)





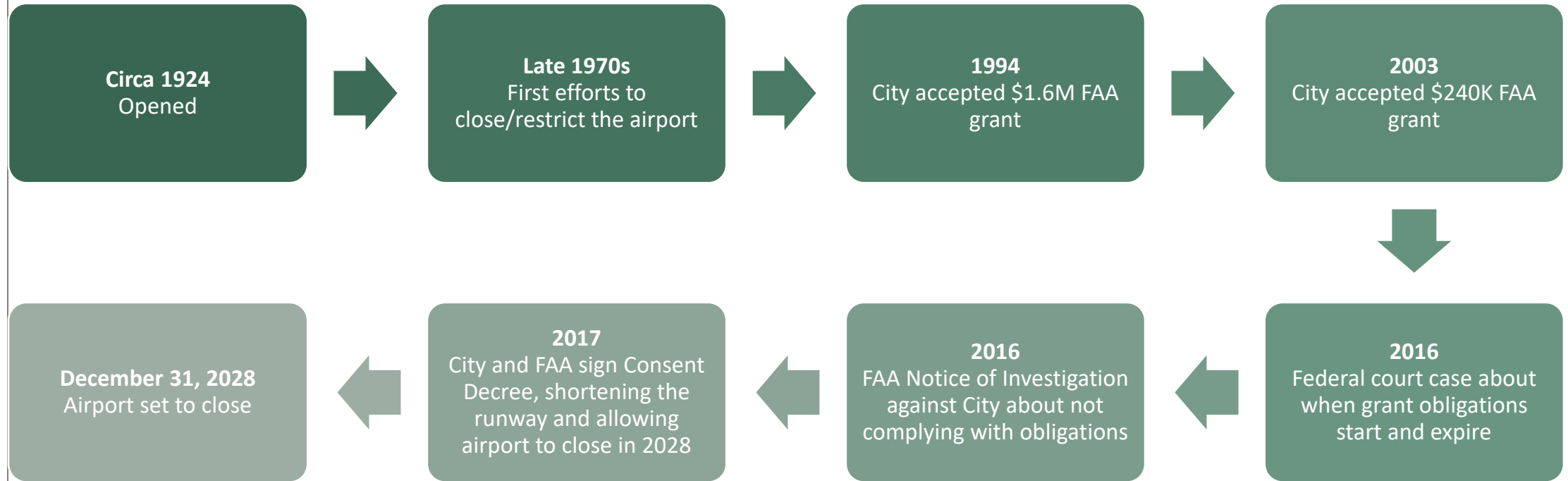
# Case Studies

- Santa Monica Airport, Santa Monica, CA
  - Set to close in 2028
- Rialto Municipal Airport, Rialto, CA
  - Closed in September 2014
- East Hampton Airport, East Hampton, NY
  - Closed in May 2022





# Santa Monica Airport (Reliever Airport)

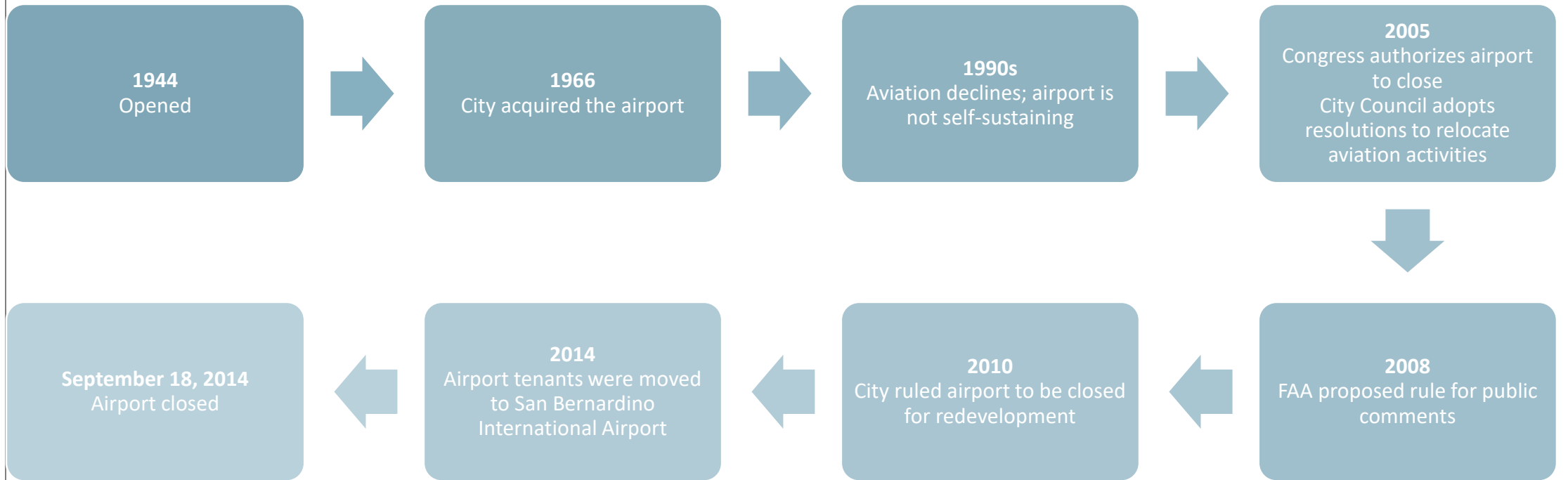


Between the late 1970s through 2017 multiple lawsuits were filed and multiple federal court cases were held.





# Rialto Municipal Airport (Reliever Airport)

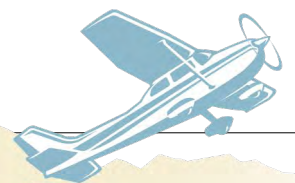
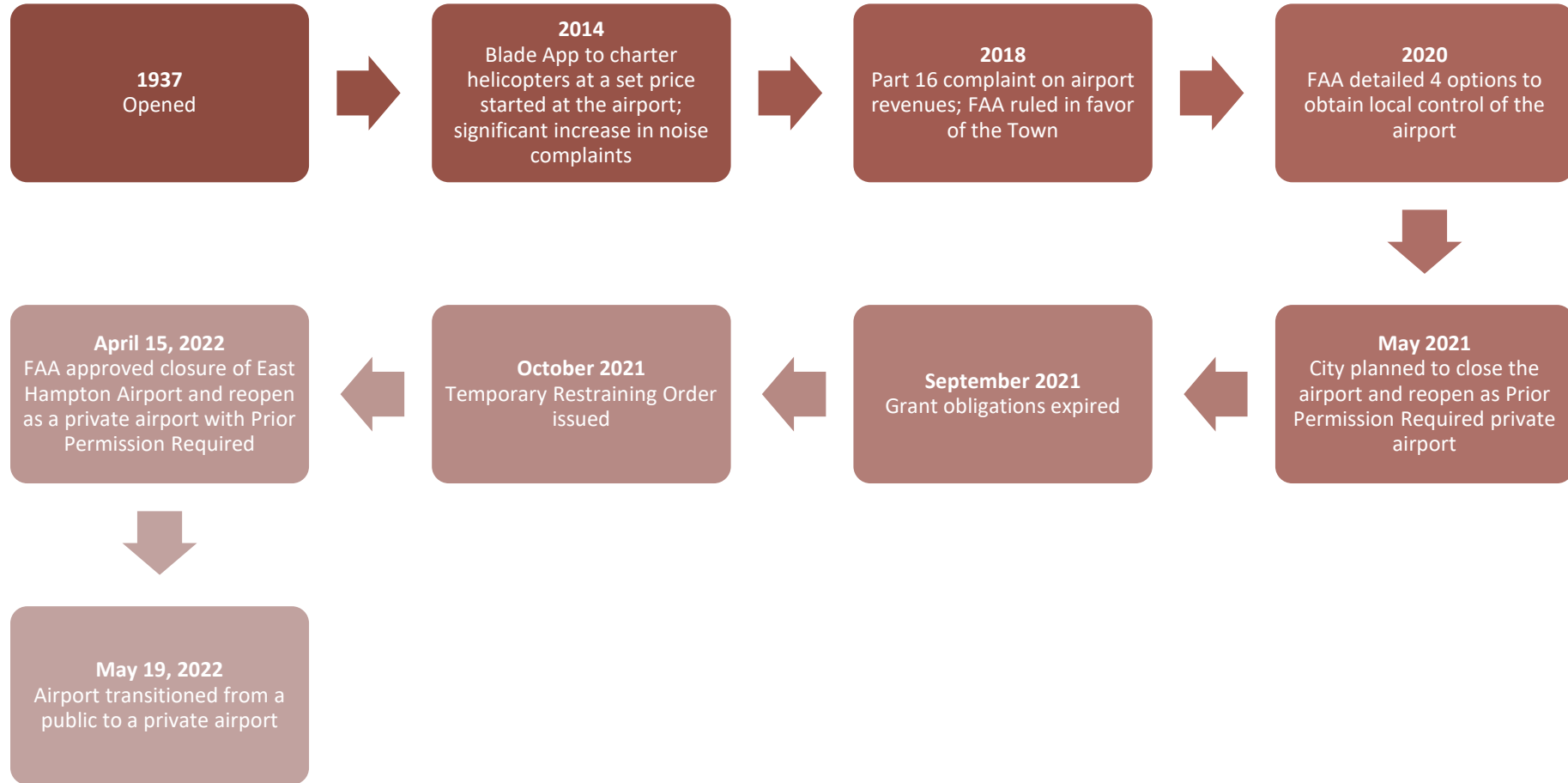


The City had to pay 45% of the land proceeds to the FAA to pay for the relocated aviation facilities at San Bernardino International Airport





# East Hampton Airport (General Aviation - Regional)







## Appendix F. Meeting Boards



## CWG Purpose and Goals

The purpose of the CWG is to provide input and recommendations to the project team to support the community conversation effort. The CWG will collaborate with the project team to develop a range of scenarios for the future of BDU. The CWG will be mindful of FAA obligations, preserving and enhancing safety. The CWG will meet five times throughout the project.

### The CWG will collaborate with the project team to:

- **Understand the Existing Conditions:** The group will discuss the current conditions of the airport site, the ongoing operations at the airport, FAA obligations and its role in the community.
- **Understand the Community's Vision for the Airport:** The group will discuss goals and aspirations for the future of the airport and incorporate community member feedback from a variety of engagement venues.
- **Inform Community Priorities for the Airport:** The group will help inform and evaluate a range of scenarios (short term and long-term) that are mindful of safety and FAA obligations. The group will provide feedback and input from each person's perspective and lived experience and incorporate community member feedback collected by the project team.

### CWG Member Responsibilities

Members are encouraged to participate in the public open houses.



Members are encouraged to share the project progress and details with people in their neighborhood and network.



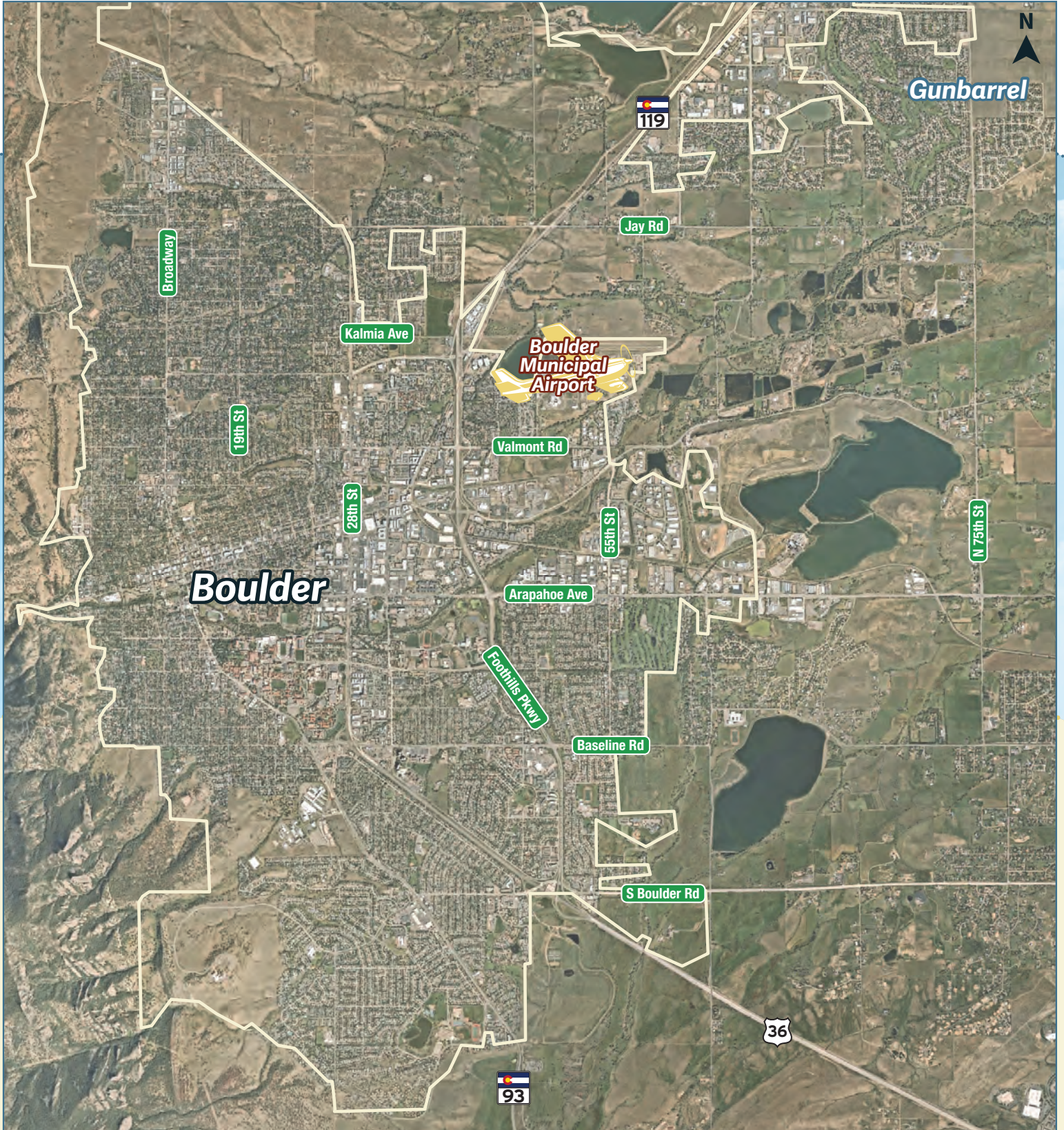
Members are expected to participate in each CWG meeting as they are scheduled.





# Where do you like to go?

Place a sticker where you live, work, and recreate!



# Questionnaire - English

## SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

06 April 2023 - 04 May 2023

### PROJECT NAME:

Airport Community Conversation/Conversaciones Comunitarias del Aeropuerto

### FILTER BY:

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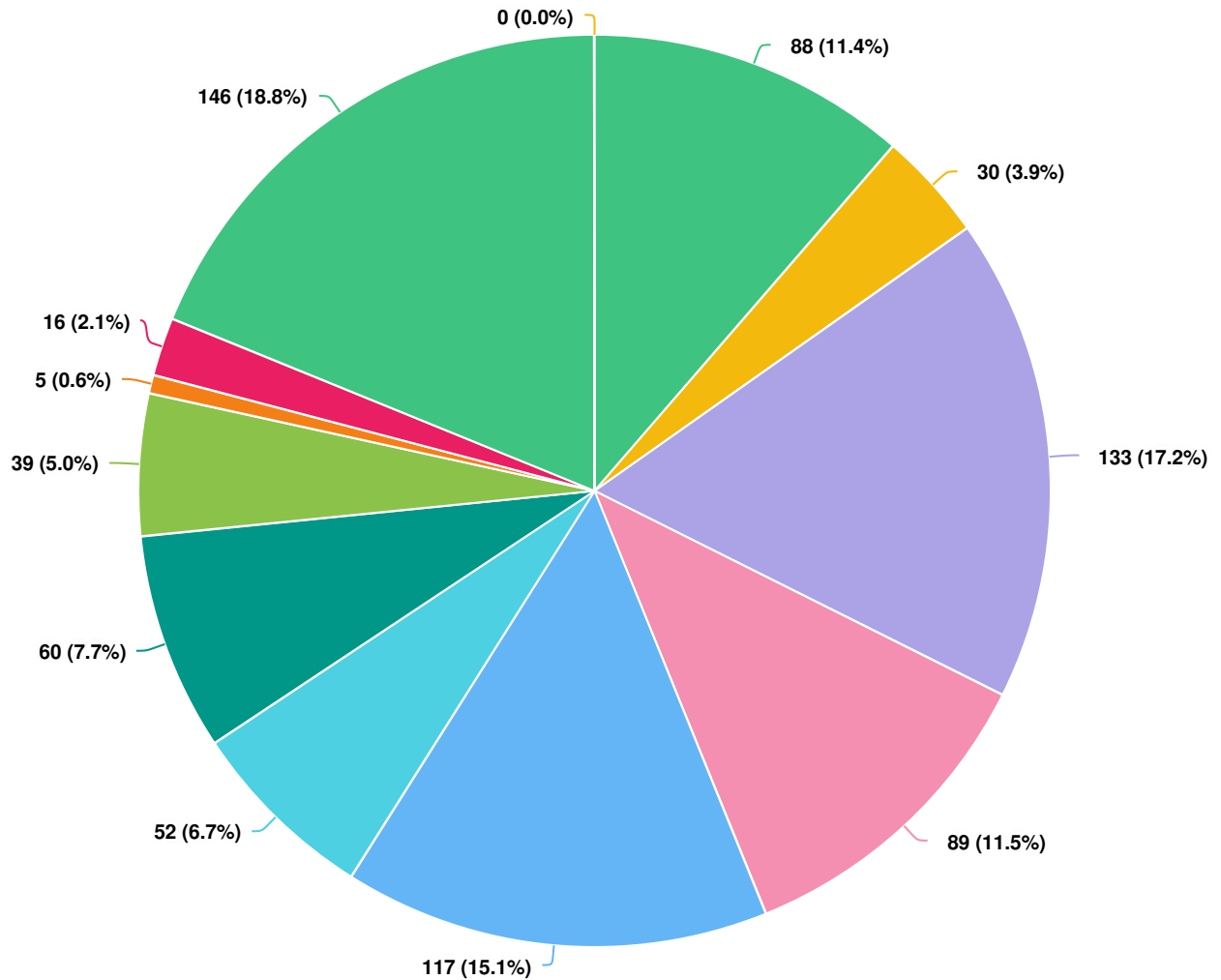
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SURVEY QUESTIONS

**Q1 | Where do you live?**



**Question options**

- Central Boulder
 ● Crossroads
 ● East Boulder
 ● North Boulder
 ● Gunbarrel
 ● Palo Park
- South Boulder
 ● Southeast Boulder
 ● University of Colorado
 ● University Hill
- Outside of the City of Boulder, in Boulder County
 ● Outside of Boulder County

Mandatory Question (775 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

Filtering by: Where do you live? Central-Boulder-, Crossroads-, East-Boulder--, North-Boulder--, Gunbarrel-, Palo-Park-, South-Boulder-, Southeast-Boulder-, University-of-Colorado-, University-Hill-, Outside-of-the-City-of-Boulder,-in-Boulder-County--

**Q2 | What City of Boulder community values (as identified in the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan) do you most align with? Please rank your choices (1 - most, 13 - least)**

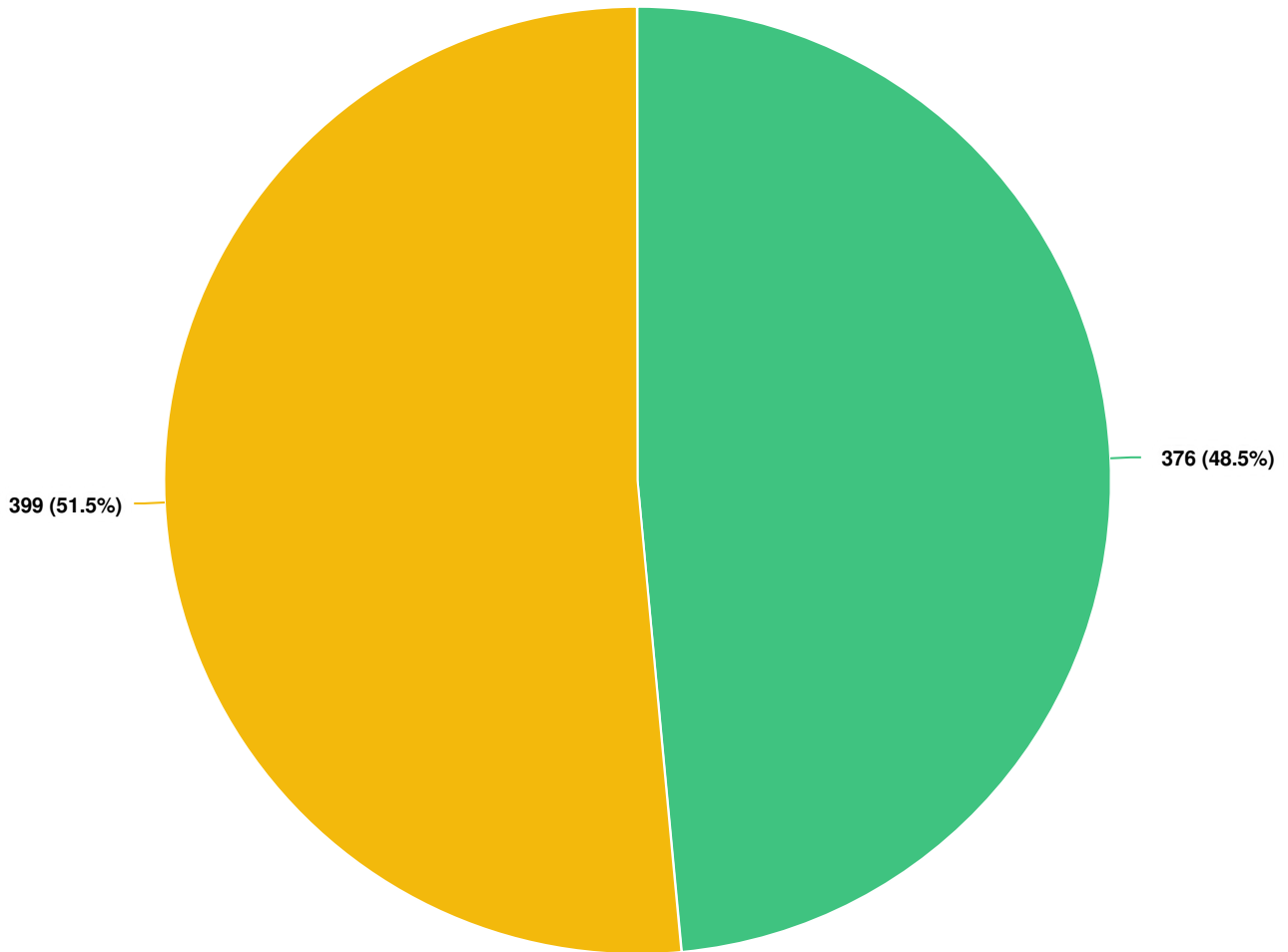
OPTIONS	AVG. RANK
Open space preservation	4.80
Great neighborhoods and public spaces	5.33
Physical health, safety and well-being	5.63
Sustainability as a unifying framework to meet environmental, economic and social goals	6.69
A vibrant economy based on Boulder's quality of life and economic strengths	6.73
A welcoming, inclusive and diverse community	6.75
Environmental stewardship and climate action	6.79
Culture of creativity and innovation	6.90
Our unique community identity and sense of place	7.55
An all-mode transportation system to make getting around without a car easy and accessible to everyone	7.75
Strong city and county cooperation	8.05
A diversity of housing types and price ranges	8.33
Compact, contiguous development and infill* that supports evolution to a more sustainable urban form	9.72

*Mandatory Question (775 response(s))*

*Question type: Ranking Question*

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**Q3 | Do you use the Boulder Municipal Airport for recreation or work purposes?**



**Question options**

- No, I do not use the Boulder Municipal Airport for recreation or work purposes.
- Yes, I use the Boulder Municipal Airport for recreation or work purposes.

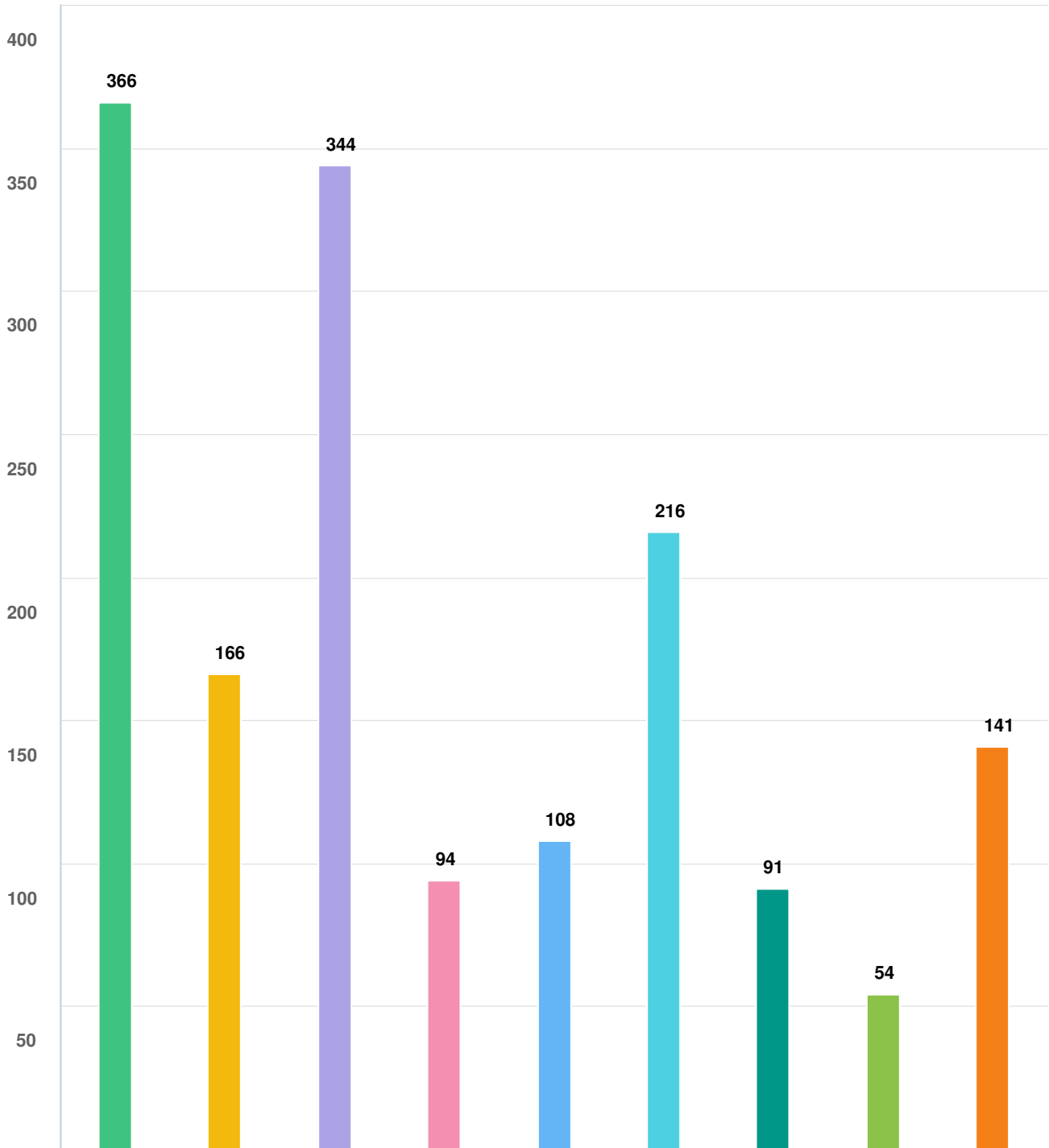
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**Q4** What services, programs and functions do you use at the Boulder Municipal Airport?  
Select all that apply.



**Question options**

- I don't use the airport
- Glider operations
- Personal and recreational aviation
- Business travel
- Hangar space
- Education
- Business operations
- Scientific research
- Non-profit organizations

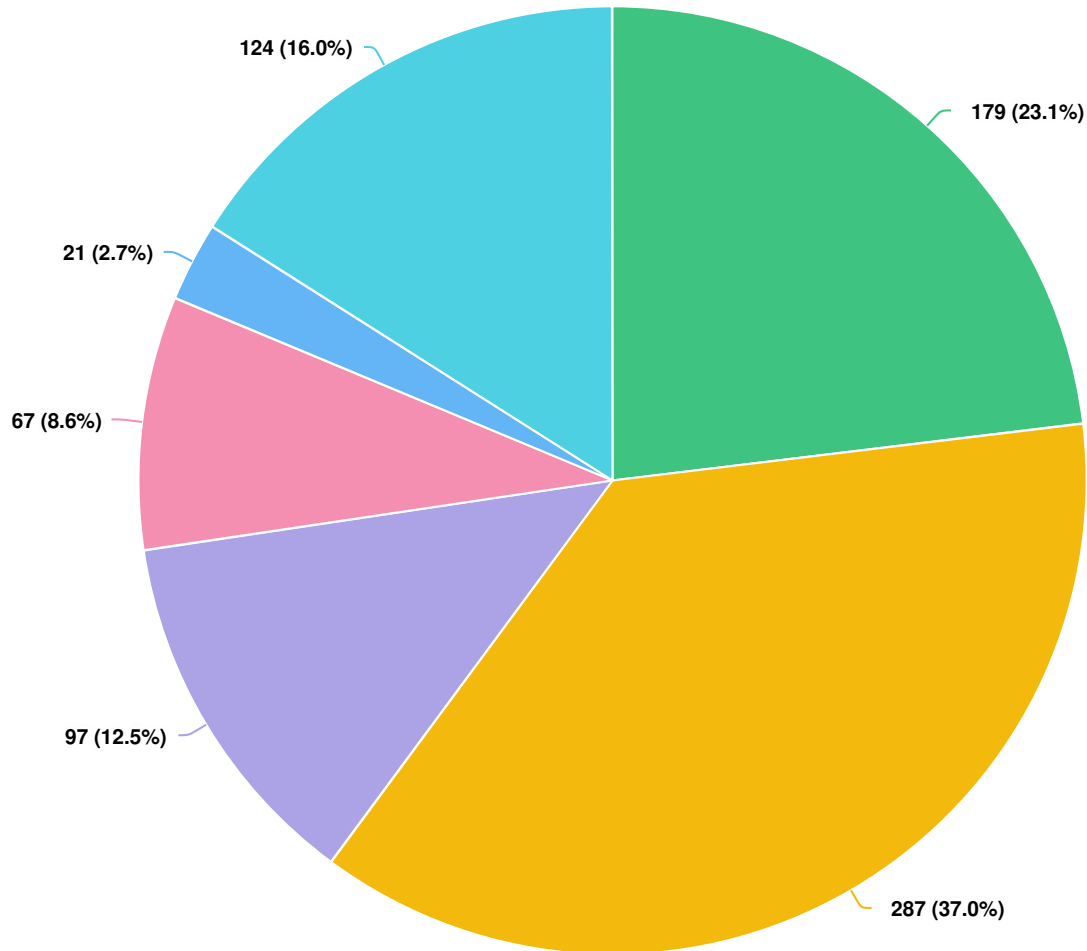
Mandatory Question (775 response(s))

Question type: Checkbox Question

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**Q5 | What do you think about the current operations/services at the airport?**



**Question options**

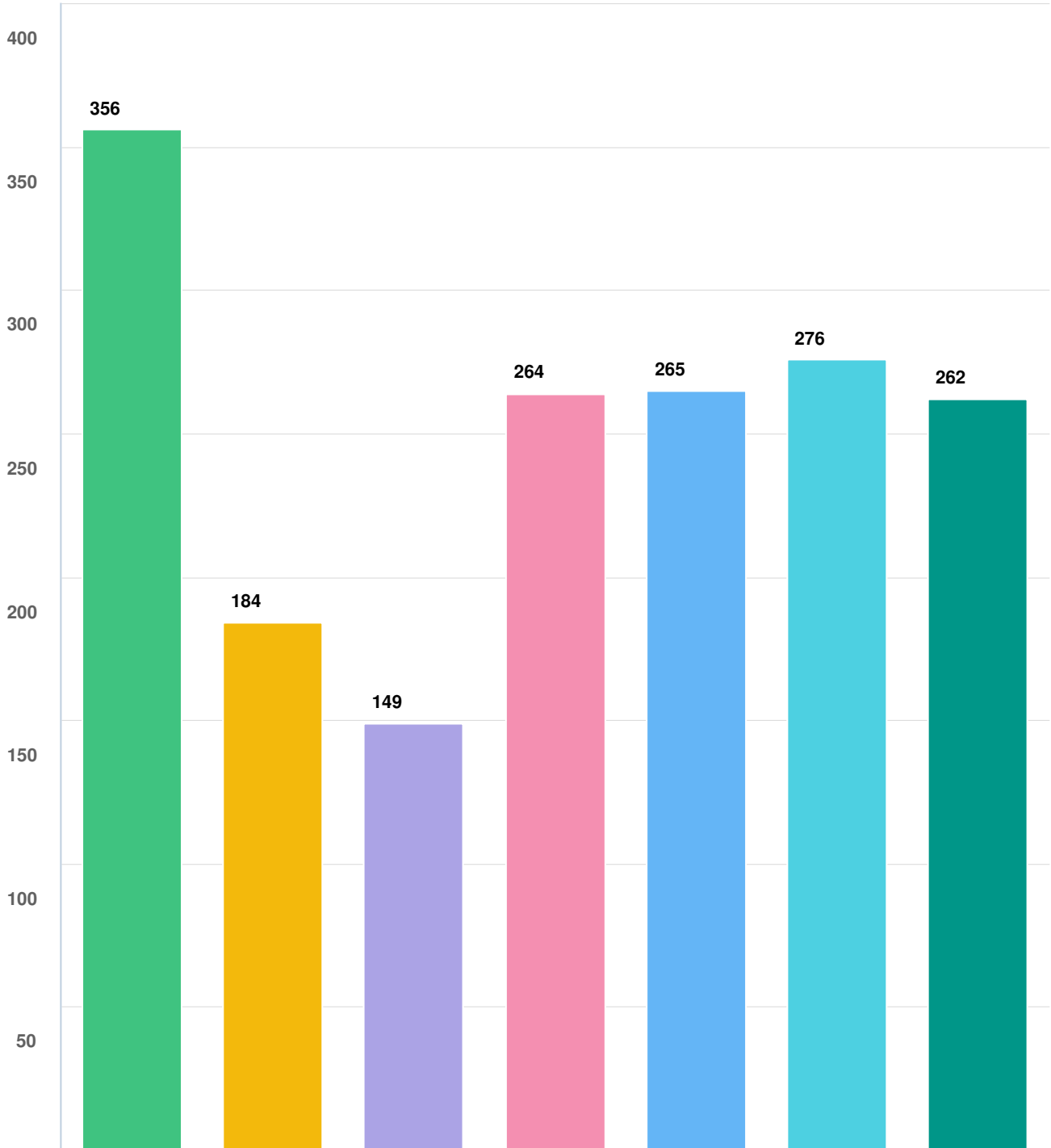
- No changes needed    ● Some improvements are needed    ● Major improvements are needed
- I need more information about the airport    ● I don't know yet but plan on attending an open house
- I don't think there should be further operations/services

Mandatory Question (775 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q6 | What City of Boulder objectives and actions (as identified in the Sustainability and Resilience Framework) do you want to see reflected in the future of the Boulder Municipal Airport site?**



**Question options**

- Safe
- Healthy & Socially Thriving
- Livable
- Accessible & Connected
- Environmentally Sustainable
- Responsibly Governed
- Economically Vital

Mandatory Question (775 response(s))

Question type: Checkbox Question

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## Q7 | Describe your vision for Boulder Municipal Airport. (Open-ended question.)

Anonymous

4/07/2023 06:19 PM

Get rid of it. Small planes use leaded fuel. They are spewing it over us, our homes and our gardens all day long. The people who live near the airport never have a moment of peace and quiet. Pilots continuously circle over our homes even though the homes are in areas marked in red as noise sensitive in the noise abatement map. No attempts at noise abatement are made on the planes as some are easily twice as loud as others. I bought my home 22 years ago and the noise was never a problem. Now I am going to have to move due to the CONSTANT noise of flight training circling over and over my home and glider dragging also going directly over my home.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 07:26 AM

I'd love to see the airport as a place where people sharing a common interest in aviation can gather and share experiences in addition to sharing our love of aviation with community members.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 09:54 AM

\* community safety \* reduced noise impact on over-fly zones \* reduced carbon footprint. \* no "land grabs" by the city/county, ie, no repurposing.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 11:47 AM

As soon as current contracts (FAA etc) are completed, COB should transition the airport to a mixed use, family-oriented community with a focus on affordability. Given the city's ownership of the property, Boulder will be able to have direct control over the character, quality and affordability of a new airport neighborhood. We have several other airports within a 20 mile radius that can accommodate Boulder's commercial, recreational and safety needs. No new agreements should be approved that extend the time for use of the area as an airport.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 12:37 PM

I believe that having a municipal airport is important for tourism, education, unique access for gliders and critical emergency services such as a staging area in the event of wildfires.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 01:24 PM

Sustainability minded affordable housing with mixed-in, community-oriented commercial operations

Anonymous

4/08/2023 02:02 PM

Close it down!

Anonymous

4/08/2023 02:44 PM

A gateway to inspire young and old to thrive as captains of their lives, connecting them to weather and climate, technology, navigation, personal responsibility, collaboration, and business. You can lay down a mile of road and drive a mile; or you can keep Boulder's runway and reach the world.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 03:14 PM

Status quo seems fine. No development that increases noise levels above current. Lead elimination from aviation fuel seems important.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 03:15 PM

A thriving General Aviation airport. Nothing more nothing less. It doesn't need to be "unique" and inclusive" to serve a greater good for the community, it's citizens and neighbors. Providing a staging location in times of disaster (Polis visit for Marshall fires) or allowing kids and adults to experience and provide foundational experiences in aviation is its sole purpose. Stop trying to pump all this BS into every project. (And stop wasting oodles of money on these types of fact finding...it's disturbing). If you're concerned about the "sense of place"

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and what makes Boulder tick (at least in the past), then I would look at all the cookie cutter multi-use structures, overpriced condos and out of place architecture that are turning Boulder into just another town that greed has overtaken. It's gross. Having grown up here and recently returned after 20-ish years it's been disappointing to watch the city and county piss away what was a unique, vibrant, fun place to live. Just FYI...Boulder is not diverse....in fact, it is one of the least diverse communities that I have ever lived in.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 04:03 PM

If we have enough water I'd like to see more open space, affordable housing , a grocery store and restaurants.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 04:55 PM

Maintain current operations

Anonymous

4/08/2023 04:58 PM

Having a municipal airport in our small city is a great educational and recreational option.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 05:20 PM

Make planes less noisy and more energy efficient, cut down on the recreational usage, be environmentally attuned. Or close it and make it into a park, community center and open space! It seems like a waste of energy as it is now.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 06:07 PM

State of the art safety and navigation standards and community support for the needs and wants of those who use the airport

Anonymous

4/08/2023 06:14 PM

No vision

Anonymous

4/08/2023 06:19 PM

Leave Boulder Municipal Airport as an Airport with it's open space that surround it.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 06:20 PM

Personally I've love the planes moved to south county, and low/moderate affordable housing built on BMA land.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 06:32 PM

Long-term: redeveloped for recreational and affordable housing use.  
Short-term: less noise

Anonymous

Limited use. It's an environmental disaster.

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4/08/2023 07:07 PM

Anonymous

4/08/2023 07:25 PM

more accommodations for students that my institute attracts as part of its flight test engineering curriculum administered at KBDU.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 07:27 PM

Continuing to serve as an aviation amenity ("front door") for the City and County of Boulder, both for recreationalists and for business. Additional hangar development and airport maintenance by the City. Capital projects in line with FAA and CDOT assistance.

Anonymous

4/08/2023 08:22 PM

Re-purpose the land for affordable housing ownership, farms, urban gardens, recreation center, tennis courts and parks

Anonymous

4/08/2023 08:57 PM

I'd like to see the airport continue operating as it has been without any significant changes.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:32 AM

Too noisy now, aircraft fly too low over my home.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:41 AM

No expansion, no additional flights. Status quo.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:44 AM

A safe and professional airport, worthy of the City of Boulder.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:50 AM

Strong General Aviation community. Open to hangar development for business and general aviation. Secure the area around the runway and hangars, that should be fenced off for security. An open and welcoming community of aviation for the public to enjoy. An airport Manager that is not confrontational and disrespectful.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:54 AM

'Would love to see more, and affordable hangar space (there is demand / shortage). Some older hangars are in very poor condition. If re-building / expanding, & done correctly, the airport could be a net exporter of electrical (PV) energy to the grid. Electric aviation is coming, and Boulder should encourage / embrace it. A few years back, CU students (or other?) had some architectural proposals to make the airport a more interesting place for the general public (restaurant / cafe / etc.).

Anonymous

I was born in boulder on Jay road. Since I was a small child I was

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4/09/2023 07:57 AM

obsessed with the planes overhead, my mom would take me to visit and show me the gliders and planes. I took my first flight lesson at boulder when I was 14. I went on to become a professional pilot. I still live by the airport and enjoy flying there.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:59 AM

Actively supports small general aviation operations, and users of all economic classes. Emphasis on a vibrant airport community, supporting by those who spend significant time on the airport, building and maintaining their aircraft, and engaging in other on-airport activities. Specifically de-emphasizing focus on wealthier users who simply land, park their airplane and leave. Those latter folks are welcome, but the airport should not be engaging in policies that specifically favor attracting those people over the more working-class, more engaged users. Promote the development of more hangars, both box hangars and affordable T-hangars, through more favorable lease terms and less onerous bureaucratic processes for permitting.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:02 AM

Center for aviation; airplane rentals, instruction, hangar availability, strong FBO with maintenance faculties, restaurant would be nice and inviting to the general public.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:31 AM

Make it open space

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:56 AM

Increased flight training and emergency operations support

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:59 AM

A community recreation center with tennis courts and a community pool, or community gardens, or a library.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:02 AM

Continue as a community resource - bringing together airplane pilots, sailplane fliers, students, instructors, and innovative companies in one place. Most importantly, the airport CANNOT be governed by the ex-post-facto NIMBY crowd. (bought a house near an airport now trying to legislate the airport out of existence). Aviation is a freedom, a form of diversity of interest just as is cycling or rock climbing.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:03 AM

I think the Boulder Airport is a wonderful and necessary Airport. The only thing I think it needs is more hangar spaces/buildings.

Anonymous

Increase number of commuter flights and make them affordable. This

4/09/2023 09:03 AM

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is now environmentally sustainable than having everyone drive to DIA

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:06 AM

Airport should be supported and grown to increase aviation options.  
The city should foster this great resource instead of ignoring it.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:34 AM

I do not want there to be more air traffic at the airport. Smaller is better.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:38 AM

Remains in operation as a great asset for the city

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:38 AM

Keep it open as a vital hub for local general aviation.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:46 AM

The problem is the decision BY THE AIRPORT MANAGERS to encourage and seek out flight schools operations at the AIRPORT. Go back to how it was pre-2012 and the airport could fade back into the background and it would be barely noticed. The prior AIRPORT MANAGERS F'ed up - like everyone wanted more more more "revenue and flights" so they could advance their careers and move up to a bigger and airports. No flight school operation, no touch and go, what airport? The LIST of community is the YOUR F'ing LIST. Not MY F'ING list.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:50 AM

A bike/walking path around the lake would be lovely. The airport could be extended in the other direction to compensate for the loss of space.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:55 AM

The Boulder Municipal Airport should be closed to eliminate the noise and air pollution that plagues the communities near the airport. Noise pollution has increased in recent years and pilots routinely ignore restrictions and fly over the airport's neighbors. Planes pollute the airport's neighbors with airborne lead (a pollutant that according to the EPA is especially toxic to children at any level), petroleum combustion products like PAH (which cause cancer) and dioxins (which accumulate in the environment and cause cancer at very low levels). The City Council has given the Airport a "PASS" on unmitigated pollution and has not provided neighbors with a "RISK ASSESSMENT" on noise and air pollution or the risk of a catastrophic accident caused by airplanes, gliders, ultralights or drones falling out of the sky onto local communities. The land should be used for low-cost housing (not the developer-driven, high-profit housing currently

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avored by City Council members). The land currently serves the wealthy few at the expense of the more disadvantaged. The Council has Sustainability goals, but appears unwilling to limit the use of greenhouse gas emissions from high-octane air-polluting leaded gas in the skies over Boulder. A better vision for the community would include low-cost housing, parks, and wild life habitat, which is important in the city and county.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 10:00 AM

The Boulder airport needs to be a safe and welcoming airport for general aviation. The current attitude by the city and airport management makes it so that I no longer wish to operate out of this airport.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 10:08 AM

Thriving, busy, vibrant airport full of nice hangars, electric aircraft, and G100UL fuel to replace 100LL and city-subsidized SAF to replace Jet-A

Anonymous

4/09/2023 10:18 AM

An airport that serves the aviation community and the city, county and outside community. Managed by someone who understands the decades of safe operations of the different airport users and who doesn't invent "safety concerns " that have no basis in reality to force an agenda that is not supported by the current users or anyone else. An airport that adds value to living in Boulder county.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 10:33 AM

One of the many things that I think makes Boulder and attractive city is it's community airport. I did the bulk of my flight training at Ft Collins, Loveland Airport. Since beginning my training in 1975, I have been either in school or employed in the Aviation industry until I recently retired. Having flown into many small airports over the years, I think Boulder's is one of the best. It has an old school terminal where anyone can watch airplanes and gliders takeoff and land. I have participated in the EAA's Young Eagles program to introduce kids who may have never flown in a small airplane ( or any airplane). I wish I had a recording of what some of them said. They were all very positive and excited kids of elementary to high school age. I would like to see Boulder have unleaded aviation fuel available at the airport. The airplane that I currently fly, a Cessna 172 should run just fine on unleaded fuel. I also think it would be good to have some airplane charging stations for electric airplanes. These airplanes are not common yet, but they are more than just prototypes now. They are much quieter than the current piston planes. Hangars that have solar panels on their roofs for charging electric airplanes, or feeding electricity back into the grid could make the Boulder Airport a model for high tech sustainable energy. Except for the noise, which over

time could be greatly reduced with electric airplanes and fuel (which could also be made better with unleaded) the airport seems to have a relatively low impact on the surrounding area. With the University of Colorado recently completing a new aerospace engineering building and the increasing use of drones for a variety of uses, it seems likely aviation related business will keep improving in the future. I think it is prudent to keep the airport in good shape and to make improvements. While hiking and biking in the Boulder vicinity, there are several places where trails cross abandoned railroad tracks. It seems to me that many Boulder residents would not have wanted those tracks to be given up to development, because now there is no way to get that "right of way" back. Therefore we do not have an easy way to put interurban and local trains back in use. I can imagine several futuristic uses for an asset such as the airport. However, those uses are way in the future, so it should stay as an airport for now. President Obama has come to the Boulder Airport at least twice in recent history. Most presidents don't go to small municipal airports. They go to military bases or large commercial airports. I think that shows what a good airport we have.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 10:46 AM

Noise restrictions and more visibility to the public on operations

Anonymous

4/09/2023 11:05 AM

I would like to see money invested in updating the many dilapidated hangars and update the main terminal/FBO. We need more hangars built to accommodate additional demand. I'd like to see KBDU become a center for electric aircraft and urban air mobility and transit. Creating a shared meeting space for non-profit education organizations like mine would be wonderful. Additional pilot training facilities would be great also, to help resolve our current pilot shortage.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 11:16 AM

Continue with existing use, especially as a glider port

Anonymous

4/09/2023 11:33 AM

Aviation is on the cusp of great innovation and environmental sustainability, Boulder Municipal Airport would be vital for future transportation needs of a thriving City

Anonymous

4/09/2023 11:57 AM

There are 5 airports in a 15 mile radius, tons of existing open space, and what is really missing is additional housing that is affordable, a smart place for CU to put student housing instead of in existing open space/flood zone land, something that is connected to public transportation and respects the lives of the people already living in

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this area.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 12:21 PM

The Boulder Municipal Airport needs better buildings and hangars, and we currently have an opportunity to build sustainably with zero purchased energy operations. This will align well with the nascent shift to electric aircraft.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 12:37 PM

Used for more accessible public space. Right now the airport appears to just serve a few wealthy individuals for their hobby. If keep airport, maybe drone site as barrier to entry for drones is much less. Or generate economic vitality with industry/restaurants/housing and get sales/property tax

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:07 PM

We can do better with this 179 acres than an airport. The airport is a heavy polluter of noise, lead and carbon emissions. So few wreak havoc far and wide for temp/gig work and hobbies. The airports life, benefits and usefulness have become antiquated and will continue to even more. Retaining this airport to serve 0.2% is statistically insane, not to mention this is where the ecosystem goes to die.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:21 PM

Don't have one

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:32 PM

A multi-use smaller airfield without airlines; to include education, scientific research, flight training, and historical events such as the WWII weekend.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:32 PM

Kept Open and thriving.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:34 PM

As a well-funded and functional airport that provides aviation services to the local community.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:35 PM

Allow hangar building & development with reasonable land leases. Encourage businesses, restaurants to develop on the airport. Turn it into a thriving destination.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:35 PM

As a student pilot, I would mainly wish for there to remain the ability to learn and fly from there and meet other aviation enthusiasts. More and/or updated hangars would be great.

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Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:36 PM

Boulder Municipal Airport should be a place where people can be exposed to aviation and STEM, where economic activity can be stimulated, and where recreational flying is supported.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:38 PM

I would like to see the Boulder Airport continue to thrive. I would love to see more community activities including after school programs for students interested in aviation.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:44 PM

Increase infrastructure and services to enhance aviation community while being good neighbor for surrounding community.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:45 PM

A place to grow and learn that is accessible to the local community.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:48 PM

I'd like to see the airport continue as an airport, and specifically NOT redeveloped. I'd like to see improvements to the area to include: sunshade structures for aircraft, better hangar maintenance, a park and picnic area (a local youth has provided a small area to aircraft viewing), a food vendor, connections to bike trails, a refurbished terminal building, a furthering City goals by subsidizing unleaded aviation fuel, bring in electric aircraft, a completion of the marginal security fencing, and better weather reporting. The operation has been in a low spot for the last couple years.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:49 PM

A local airport for anyone to use and enjoy

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:50 PM

The Boulder airport could be better promoted and welcome more people to use it. More flight schools more accessibility for travelers. Boulder can be a destination and it's beautiful to fly in and out of and should be made more popular.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:50 PM

I think Boulder airport is right-sized with a wide variety of aviation uses, including as a base for important research, and should continue in its current manner. Hanger space for small aircraft is overly limited, with a five year wait. The current noise abatement procedures are restrictive but appropriate.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 01:57 PM

I'd like to see a vibrant airport area with continued and expanded business uses, first responder routine use and emergency staging,

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education, vocational training, and public facing spaces. I'd like to see the Boulder airport be able to develop without the threat of airport annexation in the future. The Boulder airport is a part of our critical infrastructure and provides the space for both critical aviation operations and training to supply pilots to perform those activities.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:00 PM

I envision a vibrant airport that meets the needs of local commerce and healthy general aviation. This includes construction at the airport to meet the needs of general aviation, such as the addition of hangar space. I also support the use of airport space for education, such as the addition of a museum, and/or office space for aviation and/or tech companies.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:05 PM

The airport is a taxpayer funded country club for the wealthy. The airport has no place in a sustainable Boulder future. The airport is the largest pollution engine in the city and continuously dumps toxic lead and lead on the communities within 10 miles, disproportionately affecting lower income communities.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:18 PM

Continued use as an airport, a flight training and recreational hub. An airport that is in a diverse community such as Boulder promotes diversity in aviation.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:26 PM

I see it being a huge hub for EVTOL operations in and out of boulder allowing for quicker and more sustainable commutes between Denver, Fort Collins, ski resorts, and much more. I also see it as a great asset for fire fighting operations

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:34 PM

The vision for Boulder's airport is to grow the economy in the whole aviation industry. Neighboring airports do not have the community and affordability that makes Boulder a home. Improving Boulder's Airport would allow for extra revenue from more planes, training, and improved safety. Boulder can and should be growing and the vision for it is largely centered around safety. Sustainability is around the corner with 100UL gas to make the gasoline even safer

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:35 PM

The airport is critical. Not for current usage. This town has made hard, smart choices in the past. Examples include the green space, and the blue line restricting houses at the top of the mountains. If they were not done years ago, we could never get that back. The airport is the same. If you lose the airport, you can never get it back. Right now, anyone who does not use the airport would think it is

unnecessary and a burden. There are loud noises and taxpayer dollars. A small percentage of the community uses the airport frequently. But we must think about the future. A town with an airport inside its boundaries will have huge advantages in the future. Imagine a day when the airplanes and vertical takeoff machines are electric and silent and sustainable. Now imagine that you only drive 15 minutes in your electric car to your local airport, park for free and plug-in for free. Get into an electric machine that takes you to a larger hub, so you skip all the traffic and parking and security lineups and baggage issues for your trip to Mexico. Or you simply take an electric air taxi to visit your in-laws in Wyoming. Imagine if we took all the FedEx trucks off the 36, and they simply had an electric flight from the big airport to our municipal KBDU airport. Easy last mile delivery and less trucks on the road. There are so many potential future advantages to having the municipal airport inside the city boundaries. Focusing on the current usage will make it seem unnecessary and burdensome. It could be a future economic engine and hugely improve the lifestyle of our town. Maybe an investment in a nice terminal with a restaurant and a view, and a social gathering place with a romantic history and easy access. People of all ages could enjoy lunch while watching the fascinating airport activities. Pushing everything to Centennial Airport would be a huge loss for the town. And that is not convenient for Boulderites. Perhaps we could have donors help with scholarships for local kids to get their license. We could have the schools come around and learn about airport operations. We must think about the future. In fact, investing in a high-quality local airport may serve to decrease traffic and congestion in the future.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:36 PM

Better restaurant, training facilities, runways to serve thriving aviation community.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 02:47 PM

As a University of Colorado Boulder student, I view Boulder Municipal Airport as an invaluable asset to the entire Boulder community. The airport is, and continues to be, an inclusive and educational environment. Through learning to fly at Boulder, I have learned priceless life skills and the meaning of self-actualization and personal autonomy. Boulder airport hosts several thriving and well-operated businesses, which only support Boulder's economy and reputation among Front Range communities. As of right now, I have over 7 fellow classmates at CU who are extremely interested and motivated in learning to fly at the Boulder Airport. The aviation educational opportunities the Boulder airport offers, at such close proximity to the University, is unique from almost any University town in the nation. My family and I have lived in Boulder since 1965, and been flying to/from the Boulder airport since 1989. Responsible governing comes from



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the wishes of the majority, not the vocal few. My vision for Boulder Municipal Airport is simple: Maintain the facilities as they are and ensure the security of the airport for generations to come. When it comes to flying, there is nothing like it in the world. Boulder Municipal Airport is a base where countless future dreams, experiences, and dignity-growing activities have yet to take form, for anyone of any race, origin, or income with the motivation to succeed. Do not squander the dreams of current and future Boulder airport users.

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4/09/2023 02:52 PM

Over the next 10 years the electric Air Mobility and Air Taxi market will become a new transportation medium between small airports, large airports and other destinations such as ski resorts. These vehicles will reduce traffic congestion and be sustainable systems. Those cities that have small airports will receive FAA Grants to build up this capability and associated services.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:06 PM

I received my pilots license and a great education at Boulder Municipal and I would like to see the airport continue to thrive and provide the same opportunity for other patrons.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:10 PM

I would love to see it more connected with the younger generations.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:19 PM

Keep it open and improve facility

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:20 PM

I am glad to see this conversation happening. The airport seems to get worse every year. While I am not a fan of dense housing, I would love to see this property be used for something else,,even if it boils down to housing,,especially if Boulder can get its housing here vs virgin land. Our open space is shrinking. From this angle it makes sense.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:23 PM

I would like to see the airport maintain its current capabilities and provide a thriving hub for recreational and business airport activities. Given Boulder's focus on sustainability, I would like to see its facilities updated to provide support for new and upcoming aircraft to showcase Boulders status. Nonetheless while allowing existing aircraft to coexist.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:24 PM

Needs significant upgrades and expansion. There are not enough hangars.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:36 PM

Invest funds into improving the Boulder Municipal Airport as an open, welcoming, vibrant, family-friendly general aviation airport. Develop a park-like atmosphere that fosters creativity, innovation and dreams for all of our Boulder youth. We need the airport as a clean and wholesome place for our children to dream. There are dozens of other places in the County to add yet more ugly housing, strip malls, etc.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:38 PM

A nice, safe outdoor rec center with public tennis courts, basketball courts, gaga ball courts, and outdoor fitness equipment

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:38 PM

I envision KBDU remaining a leader in Flight training for the entirety of the front range. I consider it to be but one of the many special educational and recreational opportunities in the Boulder community

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:42 PM

A place where people can get better education around the aviation side of science. Where kids can be better educated in aerospace engineering topics and learn how to fly a plane.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:49 PM

It would be really great to have additional hangars (the waiting list is very long).

Anonymous

4/09/2023 03:51 PM

As someone who began their aviation career at BDU, there's a special place in my heart for this airport and the way it opened the door to aviation, which has significantly impacted my life in a positive way. Because of that, I'd love to see flight training expanded here to open that door for others interested in aviation and train the next generation of pilots. My ideal vision for BDU would include updated community buildings and terminals with a picnic/park area, on-site food/restaurant, and more general aviation T-hangars in addition to updating the ones that already exist on the field (the current ones definitely show their age). With the recent approval by the FAA of unleaded fuel, I'd love to see Boulder expedite the transition to unleaded fuel on the field and subsidize some of those costs to make it more accessible for everyone over 100 Low Lead. With safety as a significant concern of mine, ensuring security gates are consistent around the entire perimeter of the airport property is critical - right now there's a gap between the main terminal building and where the general aviation t-hangars are on the east side of the field where anyone could get in and access the planes, causing serious damage. Along with this, updating our terminal building to include more amenities such as a restaurant, pilots lounge, working spaces, etc.

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would elevate the clientele flying in, and make it a more inclusive and welcoming space for everyone. One of the most positive general aviation experiences I've had since I started flying was at the Naples Municipal Airport in Florida, which just completed an upgrade to its GA terminal, instituted quiet hours, and increased infrastructure on the field. If we can strive to follow their example, I think the aviation community and surrounding city would be much happier coexisting with one another.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:03 PM

I'd like to see KBDU as hub/gateway to the rockies. Much like what has been done with the airport/FBO at KVBT in Bentonville, AR. A modern airport with not just aviation services but also outdoor bar/restaurant/coffee shop where people can watch aircraft take off and land, an art district and venue, a place where people can take sightseeing flights and travel to different parts of Colorado, Utah or Wyoming.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:06 PM

The Boulder Airport has been instrumental in my success in my career as an airline pilot. Without it, I would not be in the position I am today. I would like to see increase in pilot training or at least more support for the training that does exist. The Boulder airport is instrumental in training local aspiring pilots which go on to become airline pilots. I would like to see more space for non profits to engage with young people and inspire them to pursue STEM/ Aerospace careers. I would also like to see continued support for training of young people. It would be great to see scholarships for local students to pursue aviation at the Boulder airport. Involvement with local schools and non profits would also be great. A bigger community space would be welcome. A restaurant with a view of the runway so people can watch planes land would be fantastic and draw a lot of the local community in. Plus it would give those who work at the airport a place to eat.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:11 PM

Need to learn more

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:14 PM

more support from the city

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:27 PM

More hangar space for general aviation. Increased community awareness of the benefits it provides for life flight, Search and Rescue, firefighting, etc. Increased access to training for future aviators. Increased glider activity. Sustainable aviation initiatives to make it a world class, environmentally conscious model for other

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general aviation airports.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:36 PM

A airport of the future

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:44 PM

Sustain access for general aviation with improved hanger availability.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:50 PM

My vision is that recreational craft not be allowed to use the airport. They create a huge amount of noise over north Boulder and the amount of fuel they use seems inconsistent with the city's sustainable values. We should not be supporting these high polluting machines.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:53 PM

The airport is fine as is in my opinion as a current flight student at Journey's Aviation. No major changes needed. However, I am intresteted in hearing what other's have to say.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 04:56 PM

Scale it up to make it even more viable

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:14 PM

The airport requires major improvements. These include, first and foremost, the development of new hangar space!! The development / renovation of the primary FBO. The continued improvements to the functional runways (grass and paved) along with taxiways and ramps. The development of temporary sun shelters. General improvements for the broader non-flying community such as picnic areas / small park to observe the flight activity. The possible development of a community accessible building for all manner of aviation related needs, including education, meetings, non-profit, social, etc.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:16 PM

Boulder Municipal Airport has been absolutely essential for training the next generation of pilots. With the incoming pilot shortage, we need this airport now more than ever. The proximity this airport has to CU Boulder has made it accessible for those pursuing their aviation career on top of their academic goals. The community Boulder has, and attracts, makes Boulder Municipal Airport one of the best places to train to be a pilot.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:20 PM

Close airport. Use land for open space, parks, recreation facilities including pool, community gardens, library and affordable single family housing for people to own

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:28 PM

The EAA program is particularly beneficial for family activities. I volunteer to help by encouraging the families to feel welcome - usually both parents and siblings come out to witness the flights - just one person goes up but the whole family hangs out to watch. Pancakes are served and there is a picnic waiting area. The pilots range in age and ethnicity which provides cross cultural experiences.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:40 PM

I think infrastructure at the airport can be expanded on and upgraded to fulfill as many aviation related needs as possible to fully utilize the airport.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:41 PM

A useful transportation hub as well as a place for people that enjoy aviation to gather and enjoy being. Further a place for people to learn to fly.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:57 PM

I would like to see an area for community involvement. A place where people can come explore and experience the airport. It would be nice for that area to be able to host food trucks and have seating. The airport needs a dedicated space for community organizations such as the Local EAA chapter and Civil air patrol to meet and do projects. I would like to see a dedicated area for nonprofit organizations using the airport such as Angle flight West and Pilot N Paws. This area would have a waiting area and access for vehicles to get to the aircraft along with an pet relief area. I would like the airport to move away from 100LL and have unleaded fuel available. The airport also needs to increase the number of general aviation hangars and have a small number of business hangars.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 05:59 PM

Keep it as an airport. Do not turn it into a maas housing estate.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 06:14 PM

Accessible entry for General Aviation to enjoy the region.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 06:33 PM

I think the airport is important for the city businesses and recreation. I also feel that the airport is important in fire mitigation.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:01 PM

A hub of aerospace and aviation training, education and research.

Anonymous

Keep the airport operating. An airport is a must for Boulder and its

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4/09/2023 07:17 PM

150,000 population. Enough about housing. It is not a birthright for anyone who wants to live in Boulder to be able to live in Boulder.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:26 PM

A fairly governed space for recreation, business and pilot education.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:29 PM

I don't use the airport, so I don't consider myself to be in a position to make decisions on behalf of others. The planes fly over my house regularly and it doesn't bother me.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:41 PM

Boulder Airport has been around for nearly as long as aviation has existed. Airports with history like that are becoming more and more rare, and it's a treasure we should not discard. I was born in Boulder in the 70s, and one of my earliest memories is of my late father taking me to the airport to watch planes take off and land. This instilled in me a wonder and love of aviation which ultimately led to me pursuing (and obtaining) a BSc in Aeronautical Engineering. I then worked as an aircraft engineer at innovative companies such as Lockheed Skunk Works and Burt Rutan's SCALED Composites. I obtained my private pilot's license in 1996 and fly to this day. Although I grew up in Boulder, life took me elsewhere for many years. Three years ago, I returned to Boulder and a major reason why was having access to a local airport. I invested in the airport's future by purchasing the remaining 27 years on a lease to a new-construction hangar on the airport. There I store a small airplane and also provide hangar space to other pilots. Obviously, I have a personal attachment to the airport and its continued operation. But the value of Boulder Airport goes far beyond its relevance to me. The airport provides a safe and local on-ramp for those interested in aviation to discover a love of flying and take their first steps towards becoming a pilot or become otherwise involved in the aviation industry or STEM generally. We have the opportunity to secure and improve the airport's future by creating a leasing and development policy that favors continued investment, maintenance, and operation of aircraft, hangars and businesses on the airport. Forgive the pun, the sky is the limit in terms of what other services and educational opportunities could be provided on site. For example, support and encouragement of the EAA chapter could help provide more vocational on-ramps for those interested in aircraft maintenance and construction. Or an aviation museum could provide a healthy and constructive way for the local community to discover and interact with aviation and the airport generally. I am deeply concerned and troubled by the possibility that the airport may one day cease operation. This is a one way door that would destroy not only the wonderful historic continuity, but also the promise of a long and healthy aviation community centered here in Boulder. Boulder, like any thriving city, faces many tough challenges to balance affordability,

land use, and so on. But closing the airport would not solve those issues. It would, at best, provide simply one more neighborhood...a minimal addition in a city made up of dozens of neighborhoods. Boulder has long been protective of not only its land, but its identity. The airport has been around for a century. It is part of that crucial and special Boulder identity and it should be preserved.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:48 PM

An airport that has continued normal General Aviation operation and a community that understands that the pilots are not intending to be a nuisance.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 07:51 PM

Provide aviation access to the area, support emergency services, fire fighting and flight for life. Training accessibility for college students, youth programs and science. This questionnaire is very slanted by design of the questions and available answers is only going to slant the results against the airport.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:06 PM

Remain open for the public

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:09 PM

Easy location for different levels of learning aviation (private, instrument, multi etc) and a usable hub for business/aeromedical. FYI this is not a good survey. Questions are obviously tailored to give more Bias to citizens opposed to KBDU and who think in one general framework: there is not a diversity of thought represented in this survey

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:30 PM

What an amazing opportunity to thrive! Runway, taxiway, and infrastructure improvements such as more (affordable) hangars, and dining options would really make KBDU so much better. Putting money into the public infrastructure to encourage more public interaction, curiosity, and partnership would be great. Revamping the terminal building with more modern amenities while retaining the original charm would be great. Encourage the public to be involved in aviation and the rich history at KBDU with historic displays, and interesting exhibits.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:37 PM

Boulder airport (KBDU) should be updated and community working groups on noise, lead, training, congestion, and glider towing should be formed. My background and relationship with KBDU: I grew up in Boulder (Fairview and CU grad), started flying out of KBDU (2012), moved away to complete a PhD in Economics, moved back, completed my commercial license at KBDU last year, and am most

dedicated to preserving the environmental and wildlife of Boulder. Details on my perspective: the airport is an important part of the community. There is a lot of room for improvement with KBDU, general aviation (GA), and aviation on the front range. Electric GA planes are coming, will be cleaner, and not as loud. Quiet and clean little airplanes could birth a renaissance of aviation in the 21st century: especially in big open areas like the western U.S.. Long term considerations for Boulder having an airport: fire suppression and fighting, emergency services, personal and professional travel, personal and professional training, technology, and business development. Fire and emergency considerations are important for Boulder's future given our size and location. I understand that KBDU is not central to these considerations today but it could be in the coming decades and centuries. If KBDU was closed, it would be unlikely that Boulder would ever claw back an airport. That could be long term mistake for Boulder as a thriving city, community, and home.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 08:58 PM

My vision for the airport serves five layers for the City and County. These include preservation of open space; engineering research and aviation education; enhancing our transportation infrastructure; providing an emergency response capacity for the county; promoting business tourism and transportation. We are incredibly fortunate to have this piece of well-maintained infrastructure in our county. The current conversation surrounding its use does not fully capture the multilayered benefits the airport provides our county.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:00 PM

Boulder Municipal Airport is currently a thriving airport where aviation enthusiasts, professionals, and students gather to learn and be a part of a community. It is a place where many people make connections on a daily basis and conduct business. Small airports like this are the source of inspiration for kids, and it shows them that it is possible for them to learn to fly and gain access to the skies. The airport should be expanded in order to further encourage this environment and create an even deeper community experience. There should be a restaurant where community members can gather to socialize over food, conduct in commerce, and watch the variety of beautiful aircraft fly. The city should also build a small/miniature museum and education center where children (and adults) can go to learn about Boulder's aviation history and the overall American aviation history. There could be workshops at the education center where teenagers can learn how to build aircraft with their own hands which would give a priceless skill in engineering, mechanics, and aircraft design. And eventually, there could be opportunities where a local pilot provides free discovery flights and/or pilot education to low-income teenagers so that they can engage in the community. The aviation community in



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Boulder city and Boulder county is quite large, but there is a severe shortage of hangars. The city should focus on building additional hangars such that the community can grow and be more accessible to aviation enthusiasts.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:25 PM

I am hoping to see a growth in the Boulder Municipal Airport with younger generations. Because there is a pilot shortage, there will need to be an increase in pilot training. With the noise abatement procedures in place, there are many viable areas to practice maneuvers in order for students to earn their ratings to move up as airline or corporate pilots. The Boulder Municipal Airport is an incredible place to learn how to fly and to do recreational flying because it is a local area, the airport is often not very crowded, and the people at and around the airport are very friendly and make me feel welcomed.

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:27 PM

Continued use for aviation and education

Anonymous

4/09/2023 09:43 PM

I would love to see Boulder Airport as a pathway into either a career or a hobby in aviation. I am currently a flight instructor at Journeys Aviation and also participate in a lot of the non-profit/community events that take place at the airport and have first-hand experience seeing the life-changing moments kids and adults have daily. I have a large number of younger students in middle school and high school where aviation involvement and taking flight lessons have given them drive and a purpose. I have seen the civil air patrol use the space to conduct training for new recruits and junior ROTC members where kids have a place to go and where they can develop themselves into something great. The airport as with any space could use improvement. I really like to see it transformed into a more public-friendly airport. Maybe a larger observation area, maybe some type of food service or food truck like they have at many airports that might draw in the public and show them the joy and benefits of general aviation. The glider side of the airport is such a unique experience and I feel like the airport could exploit that more to draw more positive attention. I feel like gliders are the closest thing to the city of Boulder you could get!

Anonymous

4/09/2023 10:12 PM

this place is good but could be great again, great causal place and not busy like arapahoe or jeffco airports, must maintain the hangers, can we get any food service?

Anonymous

My upcoming vision for Boulder Airport includes a space that Boulder

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4/09/2023 11:49 PM

County citizens are more involved in, one where people around the city can learn about aviation and dive into a world beyond the other aspects that Boulder has to offer. As a student pilot with Mile High Gliding at Boulder Airport, I have been able to learn about general aviation and pursue my passion at a young age. I have grown up surrounded by aviation as my dad is a private pilot and CFI and having the ability to fly out of my local community airport has been an incredible experience. Boulder airport is a small sustainable community airport and it embodies every aspect of what Boulder is. It is a facility where the community can be brought together (EAA rally's and chapter involvement), where students can learn and test their creative and critical thinking skills (student pilot opportunities) and where safety is the highest standard and widely accomplished by patrons and pilots. We need the airport, it creates community that makes Boulder, Boulder.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:29 AM

A unique, home-town airport experience that embraces and celebrates its long history, promotes the future of aviation innovation, inspires the youth in Boulder and surrounding communities and provides visitors with a welcoming and diverse atmosphere that community members and families will be proud of and want to visit regularly. A place that excites and inspires the next generation of aviators, scientists, educators, engineers, explorers, and entrepreneurs. A place that provides: Quality primary flight instruction (both powered and glider) for future aviators; ease of access to and availability of resources (supplies, information, hangars, visitor accommodations) for the general aviation and soaring communities; aviation discovery opportunities for the public with a priority on infrastructure and operational support for emergency services (medical evacuation heli pad and rapid fueling processes, search & rescue facilities and equipment, disaster relief facilities, supplies and personnel transport); pursues and encourages new technology for environmental sustainability (e.g. unleaded fuels, noise reduction systems, ultra efficient power-plants, electric aircraft). In addition, an airport that promotes, welcomes and draws aviation enthusiasts, families and local non-aviation community members alike with frequent open houses (airport days), classroom/lecture facilities, a place to eat and enjoy a cup of coffee while watching and experiencing the variety of airport activities, a place to camp overnight with courtesy bikes/scooters to visit downtown Boulder.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 06:11 AM

A large well ran airport that allows accessibility without restrictions to our great city. Growth of aviation businesses providing opportunity for employment.

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<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 06:12 AM</p>	<p>I like the local airport and hope it can be viewed as a unique/valued part of our community.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 06:16 AM</p>	<p>The airport has been a vital part of Boulder as long as I remember. My interest in Aviation was fostered at open houses, and watching the aircraft, towplanes and gliders fly over the city.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 06:57 AM</p>	<p>Continue to have access to flight training and aircraft rental services. Continue to use the airport as a launch point for testing flight safety applications. I would love to see an option for flights to/from Denver Airport.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 06:59 AM</p>	<p>a vital and growing general aviation hub</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 07:13 AM</p>	<p>Certainly, a hub for transport. Especially as electrified aerial transportation (air taxi) increasingly come on line. Also, a place for training, education, and recreation.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 07:18 AM</p>	<p>Flight training should continue. Educational seminars on aviation would be good. The public should be more informed on the importance of Boulder Airport.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 07:18 AM</p>	<p>I see Boulder Airport as a recognized community asset, promoting environmental research, respecting and reflective of the City of Boulder. I see it as professional, airport that supports the City with emergency services, becoming a vital link in the transportation plans for air taxi's and providing an educational / recreational resource promoted by and for the City for all ages.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 07:26 AM</p>	<p>Replace it with purposes that better serve the community, such as dense/mixed-use affordable housing</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 07:32 AM</p>	<p>I would love to see the Boulder Airport evolve into a place for aerospace education for students, aviation training, and improve the air to land integration of natural, open space. These are all things I have learned from the airport myself and would love future generations to have those same experiences locally.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>Boulder Municipal is a vital part of the community fabric yet is under</p>

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4/10/2023 07:40 AM

appreciated for its value in managing wildfire risk, providing STEM education opportunities and incubating many a high value career.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:07 AM

Additional flight training and Business travel. Requesting the FAA to establish an instrument approach would be great for both flight training and bringing business aviation to Boulder

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:09 AM

Continue the current use and to be used for community emergencies.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:16 AM

I would like to see the airport further developed to be an air transportation and business hub for long term economic growth.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:31 AM

Would like to see more air shows and events there. Would like to see more flight operations and flight schools available there.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:32 AM

The Boulder airport is a vital part of the community. Moreover, it is an obvious essential part of the Boulder County emergency services as evidenced by the great role it played as a staging area during the great floods. It saved lives and there is nothing to replace it if it is lost. Even thinking about getting rid of this well established facility is ridiculous. Many have chosen to build around the airport or move next to it and now want to squeeze it out for personal interests and now want to make the entire county worse off by losing access to such a great facility for their own financial gains. The Boulder Municipal Airport should continue its long history of education, access to aviation experience near the mountains, and irreplaceable emergency services function.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:42 AM

Continue to be a vibrant glider community. Pursue and become adopters of environmentally friendly aviation fuels.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:43 AM

More glider operations - that is such an opportunity, especially for youth, to be engaged in aviation. They learn so much about science, weather, physics, coupled with personal growth, maturity, and building confidence. So many communities are adding aviation to their high school curriculum as a way to engage students in learning complex subjects. Why is Boulder lagging behind? AOPA has the curriculum available, Boulder needs to be forward-thinking to embrace the opportunity. Would love to see an upgraded airport building, FBO, flight school, aircraft fleet, more hangars. The economics make sense.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:45 AM

I would prefer to see continued flight operations, training, gliders, etc. Expanded hangars would be great. The airport is economically vital to the community. Would not recommend any major changes to current operations or land planning.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 08:45 AM

Expansion of the airport to include modern traffic control and landing equipment.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:18 AM

Boulder Municipal Airport should be a thriving community airport, offering access, education and availability.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:20 AM

The airport is very important to the economic viability of the city and should be improved to for the long term.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:24 AM

I'm not sure, but I wonder how many people use this airport and if there would be a better use for the space. As a Gunbarrel resident, the noise is sometimes an issue.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:29 AM

My connection to the Boulder airport is through youth education. The airport has been and continues a vital resource for introducing children and teenagers to aviation and research related to aviation. I am not a pilot, my connection is as a volunteer working with local pilots, especially the EAA. My vision is that the airport remains an accessible and open to all place for everyone to watch and learn about many types of aviation. As such I value the observation area, Propeller Park, which was established as my son's Eagle Scout Project, the terminal building, and easy access to all of the airport facilities. We have had aviation training sessions in several of the private hangars and I enjoy seeing families of all economic backgrounds enjoying the airport as a place dream, watch aircraft operations, listen to air traffic, etc. It may be nice to grow the visitor area and possibly introduce some formal youth outreach programs.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:35 AM

I'd like to see the airport serving as an example site for demonstration of next-generation sustainable changes and technologies, placing Boulder at the forefront of the aerospace industry, as befits the home to one of the world's strongest aerospace Universities. For example, providing 100% sustainable aviation fuel for all flights, or offering short haul electric passenger services to other regional airports like Denver or those in the mountains.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:39 AM

more modern, nice, inclusive. people understanding that the airport has been there for a long time, if you don't want to live near an airport then don't move next to one. the noise abatement is stupid.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:43 AM

Just keep it open

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:52 AM

Continue to be a great educational resource for CU's aerospace program to allow students to perform hands-on flight training. Continue to be a resource for local emergency responders (fueling of medivac helicopter, infrastructure point for wild fire and flood emergency response), continue to be a business park for local business, and scientific institutes and provide an open undeveloped space for flowers and animals.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 09:55 AM

The airport provides a unique and safe space for teens interested in aviation. Both of my children are members of Civil Air Patrol and plan to continue into military and aviation careers. I would love to see the program grow and provide a safe and positive place for young people to "hang out" and connect with other aviation enthusiasts. It would be great to see more exposure and community outreach. I would love to see more tours, lectures and educational events at the airport. Also, having food trucks for events would be really fun! I have seen such a positive change in my children from their involvement in CAP/aviation. It is a drug and alcohol free environment and has really motivated them to do well academically and socially. We need more positive spaces for teens and young people to find a purpose and passion.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 10:00 AM

Continues to support General Aviation, maintaining accessibility to new-comers and recreational pilots to the hobby/industry. We still need pilots, and it does not make sense to make it more difficult for people to become one. It's already difficult enough for many.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 10:30 AM

We visit with the family to watch the planes and catch up with the community. The more events and community building around the airport the better.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 10:30 AM

Airports are critical. Boulder airport is needed for many purposes including fire fighting, staging areas, scientific research, economic growth, etc.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 10:44 AM

Maintain accessibility to current aircraft and glider operations.  
Improve accessibility to Boulder city via all-mode transportation system.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 10:47 AM

A place where future generations can grow their interest and understanding of aviation. As a college student studying Aerospace Engineering, Boulder Municipal Airport has been a critical link to the practical application of what I study in the classroom. Without the education that professional Certified Flight Instructors provided close to my living space (as I had no car), I may not have obtained a pilot slot in the United States Air Force. Investing in the Boulder Municipal Airport as a place for community, education, and business would pay dividends to future generations.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 10:48 AM

Continue to provide services for recreational, educational and professional activities

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:04 AM

I am concerned about the significant increase in noise and overhead air traffic that has developed over the last 2 years.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:07 AM

I think the airport is an amazing community resource that supports economic and social benefits. I don't think a lot needs to change, but airport operations need continued support to allow it to continue to support the area's aviation community, both recreational and professional. Otherwise we risk "outsourcing" yet another required community function to outlying cities, contrary to Boulder's goal of being self-contained and sustainable.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:21 AM

Leave it as is.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:27 AM

Increase general aviation services to support scientific and technical businesses in Boulder

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:30 AM

Not entirely sure, but if the use is overwhelmingly private and not contributing to the community in a meaningful way, I don't think the externalities are worth it- and I'm only referring to the externalities that I'm aware of.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:30 AM

Continued and expanded access to aviation. Enhanced training opportunities for aspiring pilots. STEM outreach for boulder county youth and underrepresented populations.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:48 AM

Support general aviation to promote education and training in the vital aerospace industry including space, weather, public transportation (i.e. airlines and air taxis for underserved rural communities), and future technologies like vertical take off and landing drone taxis. With an eye towards a smooth transition to climate responsible fuels and propulsion.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 11:54 AM

To remain an airport, and evolve into a modern center for aviation use & studies. A center that promotes and sustains private, business & civil aviation operations. Including a restaurant or food services with a viewing deck where dreamers can dream and find educational information related to aviation in general, and aviation opportunities. A modern center that attracts aviation related businesses and training institutions (Flight, A&P Mechanic, Weather), and innovative groups like those developing electric aircraft technologies. Additional hangars & protected covered spaces for private, business & civil aircraft use.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:01 PM

The airport needs to grow (more hangars, better terminal, possibly longer runway) to accommodate fire equipment, more users, and potentially corporate jets. Rocky Mountain Metro is an attraction for businesses, and Boulder needs to compete with it.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:09 PM

I believe the city and county should make investments to upgrade and maintain the existing hangars and infrastructure at the airport, as well as bring their policies of long-term ground leases in-line with other municipalities around the country which do not take over ownership of improvements (buildings constructed) after the end of a lease term. The city needs to provide water/sewer and encourage private investment to build and maintain hangars, or do it themselves. But if the city takes the improvements from people who build the buildings, they will not invest or maintain them. This is the current situation. This is not what Longmont, or Greeley, or Broomfield do to their airport tenants.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:14 PM

Continue to operate as a small Muni airport for scientific R&D, emergency services, flight training and recreational flying. Develop a community engagement aspect, such as a small visitor center and restaurant. A small restaurant with a view of the field would attract local people to the airport and give them an opportunity to enjoy



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watching aviation activities. The current airport management would like to generate more airport revenue by attracting larger aircraft to the airport, and I do not support that vision. It is not consistent with any of the Boulder community values and would ruin the small airport atmosphere of the Boulder Airport.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:24 PM

The airport and the FOB is maintained and improved. Additional hangar spaces built.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:28 PM

The Boulder Municipal Airport should continue as a small, locally controlled airport that supports educational opportunities for our youth, critical emergency services (for fires, medical evac., etc.), science-based non-profit activities, and flight training for future pilots. In addition, the airport needs improved infrastructure, including a modern fuel farm, new terminal with an observation deck and restaurant to bring in more non-aviation families. These ideas promote positive relationships with airport neighbors and continue to grow the innovative potential of this venue for years to come.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:38 PM

An aviation hub that supports and promotes state of the art air transport for the local community

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:38 PM

Continue to be available to support the Boulder community through aviation training, education, Civil Air Patrol, etc.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:39 PM

Living for almost 25 years within the flight path of planes taking off and landing at the airport I have noticed a wide variance in the noise of different aircraft. Some planes are so quiet I barely notice them. My vision would be that all aircraft be required to meet minimum noise requirements. Additionally I have recently become aware of the health hazard imposed upon neighbors of the airport from airplane exhaust. My vision would also include minimizing the air quality risk to neighbors of the airport.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:49 PM

The most immediate need is more hangar space and perhaps a crack-down on non-aviation use of the current space. Another thing I would like to see is that KBDU would offer unleaded aircraft fuel. That seems a relatively low-hanging fruit as well. But in the long-run, I would certainly like to see new businesses to come to the area e.g. companies focusing on electric powered aircraft or novel, fuel efficient designs. Boulder should keep it's edge on innovation and lead the way into a carbon-neutral future. Aviation is a particularly difficult

sector to wean-off fossil fuels, but it also offers a potentially large new market. I would also like to see more involvement of the public, e.g. through STEM events for kids and teens, and open house events at the airport for families to foster a better understanding of the impact of the airport, as well as to attract a diverse next-gen of aerospace engineers, mechanics, pilots... Currently, the local EAA chapter is offering a limited number of such programs, which could be built on. A welcoming playground or in- and outdoor gathering spaces for public use would be great as well. And last but not least, more electric chargers for cars would be a plus too.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:53 PM

The airport serves my family and I very well as it currently exists. There is always room for improvement and creative options but in my travels to many smaller airports I would rank KBDU in the top quartile with respect to my idea of what a smaller general aviation airport should be. Aircraft owners and pilots are certainly a minority in Boulder's population. However the airport does provide a staging area when there are floods, fires, etc. that affect the area. The possibility for fire and flooding is likely to increase as time goes on and the airport is a natural place to stage rescue operations and fire fighting operations. In my own case, I am a volunteer pilot and on the board of Lighthawk. There have been many Lighthawk flights that originated in Boulder that are flown in support of various environmental issues.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 12:56 PM

I am a child of a pilot, with my father receiving his pilot's license in the early 2000s. Since I was a young girl, I have had the incredibly privileged experience of flying with him and getting to know the world of aviation. The Boulder Municipal Airport, along with the Erie Municipal Airport, were strong pillars of my experience with aviation. My father has also been a large part of the Young Eagles organization, which helps introduce children to aviation and its many benefits. As a woman now, this program, and the airport itself, is crucial for maintaining the interest and exposure for kids and teens to the world of aviation. The Boulder Municipal Airport itself represents an inclusive and opportunistic pillar of Boulder County and beyond. It has the unique ability to help the next generation of pilots and those interested in other fields related to aviation. This is especially important for those with ethnic and gender minorities get involved, whereas they might not get the chance otherwise. If the airport's land were to be used for another use, it would be detrimentally affecting those who are interested in aviation, who are currently training to become pilots, and those who follow their passion for flying already. Aviation combines the facets of intellect, an appreciation for nature and traveling, and the opportunity to serve others. As someone who was raised in Boulder County, these are all things that I have seen

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reflected in the airports and community that the airport provides. Moving forward, I hope that the airport continues to be a place for learning, exploring, and inspiring the next generation of explorers, pilots, and a community that supports them.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:01 PM

I see the future of air travel ever more significant. To be a viable, economic, and progressive place to do business, municipalities with access to the future of eSTOL and 100% electric powered Aircraft will have a distinct advantage as a place where general aviation, the aerospace industry and progressive environmentalism will all coalesce.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:03 PM

Lay off the easements and allow the final connection of bike path that from 63rd to Boulder Creek path. I feel unsafe riding my bike down 61st onto Valmont to reach Boulder Creek path, and the path is SO close to connecting Gunbarrel to central Boulder. Let's complete the final link!

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:23 PM

Not sure if we need it here

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:24 PM

The Boulder Municipal Airport is truly unique amongst GA airports in the US, in that it is so central and visible in such a forward-thinking and progressive community. This allows for an incredible opportunity to make the airport an essential piece of that forward-thinking and progressive culture, and a model for other cities and airports. My vision for the airport is to be a center that encourages innovation and development in aviation and aerospace, and one that the city can be proud of and promote! There are already several small aviation businesses based at the airport whose products directly benefit the public and/or environment (albeit not well promoted to the community). Encourage more small business development in these areas. Stimulate growth. Bring jobs and economic opportunities to Boulder by fostering this forward-thinking potential that already exists, but married to aviation and aerospace! My vision for the airport is as a resource that is used responsibly in the pursuit and furtherance of a progressive society. My vision for the airport is a community center that inspires the residents and promotes economic opportunities for those at all stages of life and levels of income. The airport fosters many potentially lucrative jobs; pilot, mechanic, engineer, etc. Promote these opportunities and careers to the residents of Boulder. Not everyone wants to be, or can be a tech-millionaire.

Anonymous

I think having local opportunities for private aviation is extremely

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4/10/2023 01:27 PM

important. As a child, I was first exposed to aviation and flying at a small airport like Boulders' and it was critical in my pursuit of becoming an atmospheric scientist and having a career as a woman in STEM. Having a small airport as a resource can be a really important community tool for education.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:31 PM

Boulder is a university town with advanced learners, science and technology experts, and overall intelligent people. Intelligent people are constant learners and aviation is a mentally and physically challenging pursuit that many intelligent people pursue when they have mastered their areas of expertise professionally and personally.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:32 PM

I hope for the airport to be able to stay and allow for a continuation of the airport community of recreation and flight training.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:32 PM

I absolutely love KBDU, it is my safe place. The people are wonderful, the community, the scenery, KBDU is in my eyes the perfect airport! I think KBDU deserves more funding, the work done there is helping inspire tons of new pilots, and it's just a great place. If any place in boulder deserves more funding, its KBDU.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 01:53 PM

Airport that is modern and up-to-date to attract business travelers to the City of Boulder that otherwise operate from Rocky Mountain Airport; Early adopter of no-lead fuel as it comes on line - installation of tanks is necessary; use of rooftops on existing and future hangars for solar energy collection

Anonymous

4/10/2023 02:40 PM

CLOSE IT DOWN. This is not 1928, not 1954, not 1980. There are thousands of homes around this airport now and EVERY plane that takes off from that airport annoys the s\*\*t out of EVERY resident on the ground. The fact that it still exists and that a handful of pilots find it OK to piss off thousands of residents with each flight is ghastly. I will attend a meeting ASAP. I suggest we hold a meeting on my patio on a blue-sky Sunday morning sometime this summer.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 02:45 PM

Airport is an extremely important part of any modern high tech town. If anything it should be expanded, and definitely NOT closed down. My last 15 years have been around aviation community, both personally and business.

Anonymous

More city sponsored hanger space for general aviation aircraft

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4/10/2023 02:57 PM

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:01 PM

The Boulder Airport is a treasure we could not hope to replicate here in this hyper valuable real estate market. We need to cherish and improve it, with an especial concentration on our glider port, small private airplane use, and a vision to encourage all forms of future air travel for our people, and widened opportunities for flight education on the ground and in the air.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:03 PM

A thriving place for business that supports the airport as a long-lasting resource to the community.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:10 PM

My vision foresees the boulder airport used for fire mitigation, land surveying, business networking opportunities and guided tours.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:23 PM

A thriving Airport with good general aviation. It is a place with a good community and a staple for the aviation enthusiasts in Boulder.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:32 PM

I enjoy having the airport here even though I don't use it. If it is to be changed, I would like to see less development of infrastructure rather than more.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:52 PM

Would like to see the airport continue operations. It is vital for the economy of Boulder. As well as easily connecting the city to the rest of the state and country easily.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:58 PM

More hangar space Small medium and large More training Nice community buildings Camping Hub for electric aircraft Restaurant space Access point for emergency services

Anonymous

4/10/2023 03:59 PM

I think that it should remain much as it is.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 04:01 PM

There is often constant daytime, and sometimes nighttime, air traffic over Gunbarrel. It is often multiple planes at once and aircraft noise can almost always be heard. This noise pollution, along with pollution from fuel, reduces the quality of life in Boulder as well as negatively impact the health of the community.

Anonymous

Airports facing growth are typically moved to sparsely populated

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4/10/2023 04:12 PM

areas. The Boulder airport, if it's going to attract more air traffic, would be better situated north toward Hygiene and Lyons.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 04:14 PM

More inclusive to the community. Funds invested for a nicer feel, more inviting to the community, more hangar space, more transparency from the city and those running the airport.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 04:33 PM

It needs to be moved further down from the city, it is too loud.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 05:10 PM

General aviation provides many things to many people (especially in a friendly environment like Boulder Airport): For the high-schoolers and college students learning to fly, it offers an environment where they can set goals and timelines, adopt disciplined study habits, face their limitations (and build a solid work ethic in order to pay for flight tuition). For older people taking lessons, it presents the chance to learn valuable life skills - understanding the weather, troubleshooting machinery - and it may represent the fulfillment of a lifelong dream. For both of the above it provides a sense of achievement and accomplishment that few other pursuits offer. For those making a career out of aviation (often working as flight instructors) Colorado's changing weather offers plenty of opportunity to build and hone pilot skills. If you have flown on a regional carrier at any point in the past few years there's a very good chance that the Captain or First Officer up front learned to fly at a small regional airport, then built time as a Certified Flight Instructor (again, at a smaller airport) before signing on with an airline. Those skills they learned - possibly in the skies over Northern Colorado - cannot be replicated in a simulator, but they are the reason why the flight may have seemed uneventful to you as a passenger. Boulder Airport should continue to be a vibrant center for General Aviation

Anonymous

4/10/2023 05:11 PM

Get rid of it

Anonymous

4/10/2023 05:20 PM

I would like more public spaces for fun airport events (airport days for adults and kids), and for non-profit group meetings (EAA, The Ninety-Nines, etc.). I think it is critical to keep the airport functional and thriving, and let Boulderites know how important it is for emergency purposes (such as National Guard evacuations during fires and floods, or helicopter medical transport and rescue), and for flight training, where some pilots learn to fly for recreation, but others go on to become commercial and airline pilots. Also, the airport has an important economic function (glider rides, flight training and so on). I

don't think that Boulder does enough to promote the airport and aviation, so many people know nothing about it.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 05:41 PM

Better community buildings

Anonymous

4/10/2023 05:42 PM

I spend more time at the airport than I do at my own house. Airplanes are my life, my passion, and my destiny. I do not see the need to destroy it to build something completely unnecessary. I am not at all opposed to improving the airport for the better, but if you destroy the airport you destroy me and my future. That being said, please, please, please I beg you. keep this community gem alive for future generations to enjoy.

Anonymous

4/10/2023 06:23 PM

More comprehensive safety plan

Anonymous

4/10/2023 06:41 PM

I would like to see Boulder Municipal Airport continue to provide opportunities to young and old alike to learn how to fly gliders and fly powered recreational aircraft. My daughter took her first glider flights there at the age of 13 and now she is a US Air Force pilot at just 26 years old!! She will fly the F-35 fighter starting next month! This airport and the people who work and fly there changed the direction of her life and we are forever grateful. Condos don't create pilots, airports do, and we need to keep this airport open. Opportunities to learn to fly recreational aircraft are become less available and that makes it hard for young people to even explore aviation. Boulder County has always been a place where people from all walks of life can enjoy unique opportunities. You can't fly gliders just anywhere and the unique thermals at Boulder Municipal Airport are really something special! Our community is a hotbed of innovation and we have the opportunity to lead the way in aircraft powered by alternative fuels. Add classrooms and hangars for people to get aviation education. Add places for kids to learn how to build real airplanes. Open an aviation tech incubator. Be a leader in the aviation community instead of tossing it aside like yesterday's news so we can build new housing that no one is excited about. Let's keep Boulder Municipal Airport open for future generations!

Anonymous

4/10/2023 06:59 PM

I think we need more affordable housing options. I think this should be the city's top priority, along with multimodal connections so that car ownership is not necessary.

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<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 07:27 PM</p>	<p>Ban N4693Y. They are the only plane I can ever hear. Everyone else is doing a great job mitigating noise.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 07:34 PM</p>	<p>It would be great to repurpose the site for broader use to a larger community. Specifically I would like to see us use the site in support of the additional housing and climate change goals of our community. Airplanes are not in alignment with our climate change goals. I would like to see the airport shut down and the site repurposed.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 08:20 PM</p>	<p>Not have an airport that serves such a small number of people.... Do something better for the community with the space.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 08:35 PM</p>	<p>I think the airport should be closed and the land repurposed for something that benefits the entire community. It's absurd that in 2023 we allow the use of leaded aviation fuel (small planes are the largest source of lead pollution) and additionally tolerate the noise, disruption, and carbon costs for such a miniscule benefit to a small slice of the community. The City was here long before the airport was formed, the location is too close to the City proper, there are almost no parts of the City that can escape the regular flight paths, there are several other airports within Boulder County that can be used, and the voluntary noise abatement program is wholly inadequate. The airport is in direct opposition to Boulder's environmental standards, climate goals, and health and wellness standards. If it must remain open, I would like to see leaded fuel completely banned, takeoffs and landings directed only to/from the east to avoid, no touch and go landings allowed, and taxes levied on flight schools and users that support education, equity, and outreach programs that at least minimally benefit the community at large. Stop allowing such a small minority of the community to externalize lead, pollution, and noise onto the rest of us.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 08:48 PM</p>	<p>I think we should get rid of it. Recreation for a few at the expense (pollution, noise, etc) of the rest of the community isn't in keeping with Boulder's values</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/10/2023 09:07 PM</p>	<p>I would love to see a restaurant, more hangar space, updated facilities as well as a larger park for families and viewing areas. "Propeller Park" has been very successful at hosting families, people on lunch breaks as well as aviation enthusiasts.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>Personally i think the airport is rather isolated from the rest of boulder,</p>

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4/10/2023 09:14 PM

I think it should be better connected to the rest of the city on a social level and maybe could be used as a minor transport hub for hopping around to remote locations and resorts in the mountains

Anonymous

Part of the community

4/10/2023 10:46 PM

Anonymous

A place where the aviation community can come together and celebrate the unique industry. A place where local Boulderites can come and be apart of Aviation, to learn how to fly and experience the joy the airport environment.

4/10/2023 10:50 PM

Anonymous

A place for adventure seekers, plane enthusiasts, students, upcoming pilots in training and a wonderful place that were so proud to have access to.

4/11/2023 05:44 AM

Anonymous

The Boulder Airport has been a staple of the Boulder community for 95 years. Closing it to line a developers pocket would be devastating to the strong community that it provides.

4/11/2023 06:26 AM

Anonymous

Maintain as a sustainable business and recreational link to the rest of the world.

4/11/2023 06:46 AM

Anonymous

I'd like to see the availability of emergency flight operations, training (to help relieve the pilot shortage), promotion of women in aviation, and private/recreational aviation operations continue for another 95 years. This airport has been vital to the economy of this city.

4/11/2023 07:30 AM

Anonymous

Diversity of housing in a walkable mixed use format. It's a great place for housing, close to parks and schools and easy bike access to Boulder Junction and Downtown.

4/11/2023 07:31 AM

Anonymous

The airport should be decommissioned and the site should be redeveloped to meet a mix of community needs, including housing, business, and park space. If the City would like to retain a small area for helicopter and/or future drone aviation, that would be reasonable. However, the City must balance the benefits of the airport -- a pleasant hobby for those who can afford it -- against the negative impacts of the airport's operations, including excessive land use, upkeep/maintenance costs, noise, lead pollution, and carbon emissions. This balance of costs and benefits is simply not consistent

4/11/2023 07:37 AM

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with the values of environmental stewardship, inclusivity, and efficient use of resources that are shared by the citizens of Boulder.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:56 AM

A vibrant community built for the future with walkable neighborhoods and affordable homes

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:06 AM

It could use some updates to the main entry - but generally I like it. good educational

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:06 AM

We need more support for our pilots and other people that use this space, for example, the Civil Air Patrol. More areas for pilots to keep their planes in the shade, whether that be more hangars or sun shelters. We also should get a larger terminal building and dedicate a wing to training the next generation. Alternatively, we could build a building specifically dedicated to teaching the next generation.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:07 AM

it should be closed. airplanes emit lead based exhaust. airplanes are a big source of noise pollution in the area.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:27 AM

I've always appreciated the welcoming atmosphere of small airports and Boulder Municipal is no exception. There is a vibrant community there that I think could grow and connect with the greater Boulder populace.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:38 AM

More hangar space. A restaurant or coffee shop would be great.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:47 AM

Leave it alone. Provide additional middle housing throughout existing low density zones in central Boulder

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:57 AM

This airport is a vital asset. I see no changes needed. This airport and its programs have single handedly supported my teenage daughter in building confidence and her growth as a leader, and encouraged her aspirations of being an aviator. Programs like those at the BMA (Journeys Aviation and Civil Air Patrol) are exactly the ones that will protect our youth and teens, and keep them from being yet another devastating statistic in this county. Please do not take this from them at a time when teen mental health is in a nose dive (pun intended).

Anonymous

I would like to see the airport remain as a functional airport and

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4/11/2023 09:00 AM

continue to support growth in aviation, with the hope that the industry is evolving to lessen the impact on the earth/environment. Would love to see additional amenities on the property that are compatible with the airport function - housing would be challenging here, but not out of the question. Some ideas for compatible uses: park / play areas, restaurant and/or bar for gathering space connected to trail system. Safe & shady places to watch the planes come & go.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 09:14 AM

Maintain services for recreational aviation, business, fire mitigation, emergency support actions. Educate anti-airport crowd to importance of airport economically, socially, and safety-provisionally. e.g. compare to golf courses, concert venues, recreational sites and business parks.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 09:46 AM

It should be a historical landmark and nobody should ever attempt to take it down.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 09:50 AM

Close it. When the airport was originally built it was in a rural environment. That is no longer the case, plus we now know the dangers of the chemical pollution spewing from the planes as well as the noise pollution at all hours of the day and night. The income generated from the airport is miniscule compared to the income that could be generated if the land became mixed use housing (affordable) and business. PLUS, question number 2 is ridiculous - who came up with that? Really, we're supposed to 'rank' those things? BS.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 09:58 AM

With so many other nearby and larger airports and Boulder's need for more housing, it seems foolish to maintain the Boulder Airport for only a few privileged aircraft owners. At the same time, the flight schools and glider operations are responsible for a non-stop circulation of noisy and polluting planes in our skies. We place great value on our open spaces, but we seemingly don't value the skies above us. Why is that? With so many other nearby and larger airports and Boulder's need for more housing, it seems foolish to maintain the Boulder Airport for only a few privileged aircraft owners. At the same time, the flight schools and glider operations are responsible for a non-stop circulation of noisy and polluting planes in our skies. We place great value on our open spaces, but we seemingly don't value the skies above us. Why is that? With so many other nearby and larger airports and Boulder's need for more housing, it seems foolish to maintain the Boulder Airport for only a few privileged aircraft owners. At the same time, the flight schools and glider operations are responsible for a non-stop circulation of noisy and polluting planes in our skies. We

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place great value on our open spaces, but we seemingly don't value the skies above us. Why is that?

Anonymous

4/11/2023 10:32 AM

your survey needs work

Anonymous

4/11/2023 10:46 AM

Strict regulation for flight paths, excluding residential neighborhoods from flight paths, severe fines for aviation over residential areas, especially low altitude (aka buzzing homes dozens of times per day)

Anonymous

4/11/2023 11:10 AM

More hangers, continued access to flight training and recreational flyers access.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 11:11 AM

I hope it stays, because even though I make (and teach) aviation in many forms, the Boulder Airport is a unique, privileged and superb glider flying location.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 11:17 AM

To keep it as a public airport.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 11:21 AM

KBDU has, and always should be an integral part of the City of Boulder. Having an airport is a privilege that most cities don't have. It contributes significantly to the community in the forms of economy, accessibility, education, support of aviation hobbies, community involvement, etc.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 11:31 AM

Continue FAA required services.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 11:53 AM

Maintenance and improvement to existing tarmac/runways/buildings. Would encourage on-site restaurant, picnic area to observe flights, additional aircraft services.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 12:02 PM

Keep the same or reduce airplane use. I live very close and would not like the noise level increased. Currently does not bother us but do not want increased activity there.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 12:02 PM

I would love to see Boulder continue to invest in its airport. Providing long term land leases to individuals passionate about general aviation to stimulate investment in hanger space and allowing the areas south

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of the airport to be expanded. The addition of a restaurant with a viewing platform and public shared spaces to bring people into the airport would make it more welcoming too. Boulder airport has a foothold in electric aviation and it would be great to see the expansion of infrastructure to support more electric aircraft at BDU. Gliders are a hallmark of the Boulder airport ( the trailhead to the Rocky Mountain Skies) and both flying and towing them has been the foundation of my career as an ecological research pilot for the NEON program of the NSF. Before my career in aviation I worked on the ground as a wildland firefighter and saw firsthand the benefits of aviation support in stopping ever more common losses in the wildland urban interface. I think maintaining the Boulder airport for firefighting operations is essential to the continued fire protection of the community.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 12:07 PM

Want to help train the next generation of pilots?Want the City to subsidize unleaded fuel at BDU

Anonymous

4/11/2023 12:11 PM

We would like the Boulder Airport to continue in its location. It is an economical resource for the community, it has pilot training, is used during fires (extremely important), we enjoy seeing airplanes fly in and out. It may be a great hub in the future for shuttles to and from DIA, possible deliveries of goods. Most pilots do not take off or land during the night, we appreciate that. My husband was a pilot in the Marines, and enjoys seeing the planes take off and land. The only other option we might support, would be to turn the airport into a Park/Open Space. We support the continuation of Boulder Airport!

Anonymous

4/11/2023 01:20 PM

If the airport became accessible land, then I'd like to see and experience more affordable housing, retail to reflect the needs of the community of East Boulder, and open space trails.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 01:21 PM

I don't have much of a vision of the airport other than I enjoy running by it frequently on Independence. I wouldn't like to see it turned into more luxury housing, that's for sure.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 01:44 PM

I don't see any great need to change operations at the airport. I don't ever see it being large enough for business travel for me, and I don't want the noise pollution that would come along with expansion. I think it serves a purpose as being a place for recreational small plane usage and don't see any need for it to close.

Anonymous

I don't think it needs to be changed, its amazing and everyone there

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4/11/2023 02:12 PM

is super kind.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 02:37 PM

The airport needs: 1. More hangars. This is fundamental and important across the region.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 02:56 PM

renovate and expand private hanger availability, set up GAMI 100UL distribution

Anonymous

4/11/2023 02:58 PM

Limited plan size and noise impact

Anonymous

4/11/2023 03:14 PM

Make it into housing

Anonymous

4/11/2023 03:20 PM

Get rid of it, and build low income housing. In recent years the constant roar of low flying airplanes is destroying Sawhill Ponds and Walden Ponds. Neighborhoods in that area, and gunbarrel are taking the brunt of the constant noise. It is also creating unhealthy toxins. I am so tired of hearing that constant loud noise.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 03:26 PM

Generally as is, with some improvements to expand accessibility and use for general aviation including expanded hangar space, youth in aviation programs, flight training, etc.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 03:34 PM

Boulder airport serves a vital need to the community by allowing for the transport of time-sensitive medical items (such as organs). It also adds to the diverse set of activities available to our residents, which is one of the main contributor to the quality of life here.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 03:34 PM

If City Council is really serious about affordable housing either convert the airport to a 100% affordable housing complex or leave it an airport

Anonymous

4/11/2023 03:36 PM

Limit noise sensitive development nearest the airport, better than has been done thus far. Maintain accessibility. Prioritize good governance. Improvements tailored to Boulder, including incentives and funding to hasten replacement of leaded fuel.

Anonymous

No more jets of any kind at any time of the day.....

4/11/2023 03:48 PM

Anonymous

4/11/2023 03:49 PM

I'd like To see it shut down, but if that is not possible I'd like to see much stricter noise abatement regulations enforced.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:01 PM

Unobtrusive

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:08 PM

I think a small airport for local use is reasonable. We live where the planes fly over us in circles and make lots of noise and so I would like to see that reduced.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:10 PM

I have been to and testified at many government hearings over a period of 40 years. NEVER have I seen such an idiotic "Open House". Disguised as Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (however that works in managing an airport) this is a power grab by the city to take over and eventually destroy the airport for some virtue signaling politicians and residents who are offended by a few Cessnas buzzing overhead. I am glad I am selling out, firing my employees and leaving this liberal wasteland. I'll come back to rebuild this place when there are no idiot liberals running the place. HOW ABOUT FIXING THE ROADS?? HOW ABOUT STOPPING THE OVERCHARGING ON CITY SERVICES? Those are two things than need addressing immediately.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:13 PM

No More expansion, no early morning noise, safety

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:28 PM

I hope it will continue to attract and encourage aviation enthusiasts of all ages, especially youngsters from under-served populations who often do not get an opportunity to learn about aviation careers otherwise.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:39 PM

I think it should remain as it is - a small community airport for small aircraft and also used as a coordination site during emergencies. Do not allow larger aircraft at the airport such as large private business jets. Keep the airport small for local private small plane use and for gliders. Do not repurpose the airport. Do not build housing there - residents would then just complain about the aircraft noise.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:44 PM

We really need to keep an airport in Boulder. The two main benefits to the wider community are having the ability for Flight for Life to have

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somewhere to land in town, and an airport for flights of spotter planes for wildfires. There are other airports in the area, but not having one in town would be a massive mistake. Please don't get rid of the airport!

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:49 PM

Operations continue as normal at the airport, but the area is revitalized to better engage with the non-aviation community by the addition of restaurants, museum, community events, etc.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:55 PM

crucial to implement and enforce rerouting to reduce noise pollution and danger posed to nearby home owners.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:57 PM

Not disruptive to the quality of life of those living nearby

Anonymous

4/11/2023 04:59 PM

This airport could be a great hub for air tours that show schools/non-profits/philanthropists the impacts of climate change, critical watersheds and the value of protecting beautiful landscapes and ecologies.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 05:00 PM

Encouraged to grow and expand

Anonymous

4/11/2023 05:01 PM

No vision. Just an airport.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 05:04 PM

Continue as a local airport that supports the local community with Medvac, fighting forest fires, educating and teaching people about the importance of aviation, learning to fly and this airport could be the leader in electric airplane development. Also have a museum to celebrate all the historical features, stories that this airport has created

Anonymous

4/11/2023 05:38 PM

Shutter the airport and turn the land into mixed zone housing that links Boulder and Gunbarrel by bike and bus.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 05:47 PM

A community should strive to maintain and increase its services over time, not reduce them. The airport is a vital and useful resource which in the topography of Boulder makes our community unique. I regularly walk over to watch the airplanes and gliders from my house nearby. Additional hanger construction would be useful.



Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:05 PM

Would like to see more hangar space.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:06 PM

To continue to serve the nation as an airport. Airports around the country are disappearing and rarely are new ones built. Aviation is a vital activity, industry, and freedom that we would be ignorant to cast aside. "Repurposing" airports for housing, residential/commercial/industrial development, and restaurant or retail centers is horrendously short-sighted.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:08 PM

Less noise pollution

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:10 PM

If you want to improve it, fine, but don't get rid of the airport. It has been here longer than people who complain about the noise. More people at the open house seemed to support the airport than those who complained. Listen to the people and stop with this whole project. There are more important issues we should be working on and spending tax money on right now.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:28 PM

I would like to see this land transitioned to higher value, safer, and more environmentally sound uses for the community

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:31 PM

The airport is great and very nice to have in the area.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:36 PM

Occasional support for scientific flights

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:42 PM

It doesn't need change. It's fine as is.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:50 PM

Continue and support general aviation including power and glider operations. Provide essential emergency capacity in case of fire/flood (e.g. in 2013 hundreds of people were evacuated from the mountain communities to the airport. P.s. the ranked choices above are silly. No one asks if the downtown RTD station should embody 13 different values in order of preference. Also, it's only by chance that I found out about this questionnaire. CoB is not adequately seeking and getting input from the entire community.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:50 PM

I live near the airport and moved to our home 32 years ago knowing airplanes would be flying overhead. I would like the airport to be left functioning but to be more cognizant of adhering to the voluntary noise abatement rules. I would like to see the airport engage with the public by building an airport community center (art space, coffee shop). The airport has many positive assets. Emergency services during fire and flood, training needed pilots, big research projects from NOAA, NIST, NCAR, University of Colorado, etc.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 06:51 PM

Expanded general aviation with more hanger space.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:00 PM

Remain open

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:00 PM

I would love to see airport improvement, such as: extended runway areas, more instrument approaches(vor ils, rnav), and improved airport lighting (runway taxiway), possibly increased public parking and expanded tiedowns

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:11 PM

Keep as is

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:14 PM

Closed, re-developed

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:15 PM

This is a poorly written survey. Keep the airport unchanged

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:38 PM

Wonder how to add housing, research, community space if desired, not really familiar enough to understand the area limitations or needs yet.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:41 PM

I would like to see major revisions to airport facilities, such as increasing hangar space in locations where other businesses/neighborhoods would not be affected. I would also like airport facilities such as FBO's and airport administration to be updated. I also think there is immense potential for the Boulder airport to be used as a hotspot of innovation and research, given the concentration of aerospace-related institutions in the Boulder/Denver area. For example, I'm an undergraduate aerospace engineering student at CU Boulder, and I think the university could make far greater use of Boulder airport for research and education. However,

more important than all other things on this list, I would like to see concerted action to switch to an unleaded general aviation fuel. I'm a pilot, and lead poisoning scares the hell out of me, considering I work with leaded fuel on a regular basis and live less than a mile from the airport. I know this is a much larger issue than what to do with Boulder Municipal, but I would like to see a concerted effort on both a local and state level to eliminate leaded fuels from our airports. I don't think banning avgas is a good solution right now, since without any available alternatives, it would completely destroy general aviation. I would like to see a concerted effort by the state government to incentivize research and production of 100 octane unleaded aviation fuels, approved by the FAA for use in most aircraft piston engines. Once such fuels become available, I would like to see leaded fuels be phased out at Boulder airport as soon as possible.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:48 PM

Keep it open

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:48 PM

A long lasting future!

Anonymous

4/11/2023 07:56 PM

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Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:09 PM

Continue to provide access to flight training services and other aviation education opportunities

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:10 PM

I wish to see Boulder Municipal Airport expand.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:12 PM

housing, open space, a new community

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:17 PM

This airport should not be nearly as busy. The amount of air traffic has impacted the quality of life for those of us who live underneath it, with the majority of us not using the airport.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:18 PM

I do not support "hobby" flying. It's an activity that creates stupid amounts of environmental and sound pollution that a severely limited number of people even get to enjoy.

Anonymous

Reduce noise and pollution from leaded fuel.

4/11/2023 08:18 PM

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:34 PM

It should be a hub in the city for both economic and personal opportunity.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:34 PM

I do not think there is a need for An airport in Boulder. It primarily seems to be for recreation, but the negative environmental and health impacts of planes flying over Boulder should outweigh the hobbies of a select few.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:40 PM

The connector multi use path from gunbarrel to valmont that's currently being blocked by the FAA because it's in the runway path should be built.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 08:49 PM

Keeping it as it is.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 09:17 PM

The Boulder Airport is a vital part of the community and facilitates connection to other parts of the state and country for business and recreation. The Boulder airport and aviation community is one of the special aspects of Boulder and why I still live and work here. Many things have change in Boulder over the 35 years I have lived here, some hard to swallow, but losing the Boulder Airport would be a step too far. It is part of the soul of Boulder and losing it would cause Boulder to lose more of that special character that makes it what it is. Not everyone uses it... but they should.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 09:31 PM

The Boulder airport is an important engine of the local economy. I would like to see its development be a priority for our community and investment targeted to enhancing operations at the airport. I think a strong case can be made that we can balance environmental and local considerations alongside the economic benefits of keeping the airport open.

Anonymous

4/11/2023 09:50 PM

I would see dense multi-use residential and commercial properties or a concerted area for wraparound supports for unhoused persons

Anonymous

4/11/2023 11:03 PM

I'd like it to be used for local recreational aviation.

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Anonymous  
4/12/2023 01:27 AM

It should stay as-is mostly—the only changes made should be in the interest in expanding and maintaining the longevity of aviation operations. It should not be repurposed.

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 01:38 AM

No changes to the status quo are needed. I believe that development of this area will benefit the developers, without much benefit to underserved populations in our city. The city pays lip service to including affordable units in new developments, then allows those affordable units to be located off-site in undesirable areas wherever the developers can dump them. There is no need to repeat this patronizing behavior on a currently functional portion of our city.

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 04:52 AM

It's part of Boulder!!! Leave it alone!

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 05:26 AM

Hangar and Business Development

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 05:27 AM

Combination residential and commercial. The noise from the airport is intolerable and no one monitors or controls it.

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 05:33 AM

Okay my 2 cents. I would like to see some noise reduction from planes . Appears to be hobbyist mainly and I have hobbies that don't make the whole county aware that I'm doing them. Golf/biking/fishing etc. it just seems like a huge waste of fuel to me and constant noise pollution.I don't see any real benefit to the community from the airport unless they want to buy a fleet of wildfire fighting helicopters. God knows we will need them.

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 06:06 AM

Housing, close airport

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 06:16 AM

Stays the same, don't move near an airport if you don't like airplanes.

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 06:40 AM

Improve and maintain it. PLEASE don't turn it into a homeless shanty town!

Anonymous  
4/12/2023 06:48 AM

I'm not familiar with the current airport, I need more information.

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Anonymous

4/12/2023 06:55 AM

No changes are needed. This is a waste of time.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:00 AM

At the bottom of this survey, it says "sign up for project updates". If you click that text, it takes you away from this survey and erases EVERYTHING you have already entered. I now have to redo everything.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:09 AM

No lead gas... its 2023 what the hell are we doing.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:24 AM

The airport is an important part of our thriving city. While I don't personally participate in general aviation, I appreciate the recreational and career opportunities it gives to many people. I live near the airport and used to live under the landing approach and the noise has never bothered me, especially since pilots respectfully throttle down while flying over town. The glider operation gives access to some of the best soaring in the country. The continued operation of the airport is essential for the well-being of the city and the aviation community as a whole.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:41 AM

Hangar improvements and a restaurant for anyone to enjoy.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:43 AM

The airport needs more hangars to store planes, and a better restaurant.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:44 AM

Keep it an airport!

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:55 AM

I don't see why anything needs to change with the airport, it's a great resource. Though I've never used it I like having the gliders there, I'd like to take a flight someday.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 08:00 AM

Our airport is an important part of the community and should remain that way. Boulder stands apart from so many other cities due to the incredible access to recreation, and the airport is unique in providing access to the sky. Airline pilots begin their careers here in Boulder, the glider club is world-class, and countless people enjoy the amazing views. As for noise, even living under the landing pattern, the noise is a non-issue. Leaf blowers present a much bigger noise problem and affect the entire city versus a select few people who knowingly moved

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near an airport and are now complaining it's too loud.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 08:00 AM

Close it and convert the space into a homeless shelter and mental health facility.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 08:04 AM

Keep it open for wildfire efforts.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 08:19 AM

No commercial aircraft service. Limit to local recreational use.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 08:27 AM

Continue general aviation support (I have lived near the airport for 25 years and do not agree with the whiny airport critics).

Anonymous

4/12/2023 08:29 AM

I think the airport should be closed and Boulder should build an affordable housing project there. The airport serves very few non-recreational purposes that can be easily picked up by other more modern airports close by. It's essentially a rich people's playground. I have continuously been surprised that for so many years the extremely noisy tow plane operations for the gliders have been permitted to operate directly over the city.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 08:32 AM

Like the vast majority of folks in Boulder, I'm poorly informed about the airport: its role in our economy, perhaps in emergency services, and in recreation. And I have some serious concerns about this survey - and the legitimacy of surveying people with insufficient knowledge about the airport.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 09:16 AM

Add more business and recreational opportunities.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 09:32 AM

Support for recreation without expanding noise pollution

Anonymous

4/12/2023 09:36 AM

The City should seriously consider decommissioning the airport and redeveloping the site as a mixed use and mixed income neighborhood with a heavy focus on permanently affordable middle income housing (to rent or to own) and missing middle housing forms (plexes, townhomes, cottage courts). It would be great if this neighborhood could be an experiment in transit-connected, walkable, bikeable, car-light living. I'd also love to see us work on enabling

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different forms of co-op housing. There should be neighborhood serving retail. We probably do not need more office space or industrial in this region since those are well represented in East Boulder already. I also doubt we need another big park since it's so close to Valmont City Park, but it should have community green space and multi-use paths throughout.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 09:42 AM

I'd like to see educational programs, fund raising for the airport, and safety.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 09:43 AM

Sunsetting it's fixed wing operations over a 20-30 year time horizon and gradually building in commercial and housing use. Maintain VTOL operations and facilities for OEM purposes.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 09:52 AM

I'm most interested in having the city of Boulder complete the Andrus Road to Airport Road Multi-Use Path Project. I understand there are some limitations from the FAA. I just hope that conversations about the airport and it's future would not impede trail connections from Gunbarrel to Boulder. General connectivity to the airport would be interesting. i.e. expanding the path networks around this area of Boulder would be of interest to me.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:06 AM

Fewer flights in and out and more sustainable fuel used to ensure toxins are not being released in the air in the areas around.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:14 AM

Take notes from the hangar in Lowry. Completely repurposed a military base with multiple air strips into a thriving community with various housing accommodations, restaurants and retail shops. Currently, the Boulder airport is nuisance. Leaded fuel planes crop dust is with lead. Consistent noise. Only for a small group of enthusiasts to enjoy. The environment impact of this site is large. It should be completely redeveloped. In the near term, all leaded fuels should be banned. In the long term, this property should be completely redeveloped with the culture, environment and lifestyle of all Boulderites in mind. From a highest and best use perspective, the parcel associated with the airport is entirely misused, mismanaged and should be completely reconsidered immediately. There are far better uses for our community than an airport.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:32 AM

I live east of the airport directly below the flight path of many small aircraft. Noise mitigation and safety assurances are my priorities.

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Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:42 AM

There is no accountability for the planes flight path to the airport. I bought a home with the knowledge that planes WILL NOT FLY OVERHEAD. This is a sham. They fly overhead constantly, spuing their exhaust and noise pollution, without any concern for the public. Taxes increase and the care and concern to the public who pays the bills is obviously not a priority to the city/county. This is deplorable, who's pocket is really be inappropriately filled? I think the airport should be moved to an uninhabitable area for the benefit of the public's health and wellbeing within the city.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:44 AM

Continued glider access - it's an incredible sport!

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:48 AM

A transportation infrastructure asset, integrated with other modes of transportation that augments and enhances life in Boulder and nearby communities,

Anonymous

4/12/2023 11:01 AM

To stay as it is without any changes. We don't want or need another huge commercial operation this close to the Longmont Airport and the negative impact of the incredibly invasive jump/parachute planes.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 11:01 AM

Continue to support local aviation operations. As a transitioning veteran, BDU was instrumental in my ability to find work and being able to live here. It also served as a base of operations for firefighting support.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 11:25 AM

I want to be able to use the airport for affordable commercial commuter flights to nearby cities. I am walking distance from the airport and would welcome the ability not to have to go all the way to DEN. I love having the airport and I love watching the gliders and small planes. I wish there were more reasons to walk up to the airport and just hang out. A nice cafe maybe with a small parklet near the runway?

Anonymous

4/12/2023 11:46 AM

More modern vibrant airport with updated infrastructure that supports our residential and business communities. Better pilot engagement to ensure we are good neighbors to our nonflying neighbors.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 11:59 AM

No Boulder Municipal Airport. There is no reason for Boulder to have an airport right in the city. Use the land currently occupied by the airport for humanitarian purposes that benefit all Boulder citizens not just the private airplane owners and unnecessary glider entertainment

businesses. Air services can be transferred to KLMO and KBJC. The airport location would be ideal for much needed low income affordable housing.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 12:39 PM

Boulder Muni is an asset to the community and as evidenced by CDOT's latest economic impact report, adds substantial value to the local economy. With infrastructure improvements and regular maintenance, our general aviation hub will continue to be a strong industry member.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 12:51 PM

Minimize the airport and associated pollution (leaded gas, noise, visual of planes). There are airports nearby in Broomfield and Longmont. If the City is so concerned about housing why not develop that area for housing and mixed-use? So few in the city take advantage of the airport.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 12:55 PM

a place where general aviation can continue to thrive

Anonymous

4/12/2023 01:58 PM

I would like to see limitations on small pleasure cruiser planes. They drop lead particulate into our air and contribute to poor air quality/AQI in Boulder. Unfortunately, your public meetings are held at times when I work, so I cannot attend.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 02:00 PM

Become an example of sustainable use of aviation within local communities

Anonymous

4/12/2023 02:36 PM

I would like it to have less small plane practice landings which are extremely annoying to listen to.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 03:07 PM

Provide a collection of activities to the Boulder community (restaurants, education opportunities for children and adults). Limit/change flight patterns to reduce the noise and safety impacts on the neighboring communities.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 03:10 PM

responsible use of open space

Anonymous

4/12/2023 03:36 PM

Continue operating as a small general aviation airport including all types of aviation, power, gliders, skydivers. Enhance airport to

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improve public access and education opportunities (STEM) for the Boulder community.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 04:00 PM

leave it alone

Anonymous

4/12/2023 04:15 PM

For gliders, please install a winch to launch the planes (as is common in Europe) to eliminate the noisy, polluting aerotowing. Leaded fuel should be banned immediately. All Fossil fuel use should be phased out within 10 years , allowing only electric planes in the future. Operations should be cut back overall.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 04:18 PM

I hope the land currently occupied by the Boulder Municipal Airport becomes transit-accessible, with rail, bus, bike, and pedestrian infrastructure. I would like to see high-density development that incorporates a mix of uses. Industrial, commercial, biotech, housing (workforce & market rate), and public spaces. The development will be regulated by a form-based zoning code that will prioritize street-level activation, and allow a diverse range of building styles and designs. The architectural design standards will be developed in cooperation with professional architects, planners, and citizens, and will prioritize urban beauty and livability, while incorporating the public feedback from the design standard development process, and the engineering design standards will prioritize sustainability and longevity. The development will incorporate a mix of ~25 story buildings, ~10 story buildings, and buildings between 2 and 5 stories. A mix of different lot sizes, and an incorporation of a short-block grid will increase walkability and a multiplicity of building types. Having buildings close together, and limiting building setbacks will also contribute to the livability of the development. This development will prioritize pedestrians, bikers, and transit riders, with all streets within the development either car-free or heavily car restricted. The streets would also be a limited width, and incorporate living infrastructure (grasses, flowers, shrubs, small trees, and large trees). On the blocks of the development, there will be a diverse range of activation. Each block will have at least one commercial space, and zoning will allow all of the uses stated above to coexist in close proximity. The development will have no effects on current residents views, as it is on the fringe of Boulder's developed area. In fact, it will create a beautiful skyline that mirrors nature's skyline of the foothills and flatirons.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 04:18 PM

I would like to see all the glider activity stopped. The noise is unbearable on weekends

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Anonymous

4/12/2023 05:06 PM

I think more housing around the site, and paths connecting through it, would be great.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 05:46 PM

As I see it now, I don't think there necessarily needs to be a change to the Boulder airport. The airport, like anything else in our society, should continuously strive to be safer, more environmentally sustainable, and inclusive to any member of the public that may be interested in their services.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 06:01 PM

I would like to see the airport removed completely and the space turned into affordable residential housing, commercial occupancies for businesses that support local commerce provide employment opportunities for local residents and parkland for joining each of the adjacent residential and commercial neighborhoods.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 06:53 PM

KBDU has a unique set of operations most namely the medivac use, glider operations, and flight training. The airport fulfills its current niche and works with the community to operate in an agreeable manner. Glider operations at the airport are particularly unique and environmentally friendly - pilots often fly hundreds or over 1000km all under the power of the wind and sun. I wouldn't see much changing with the Boulder airport, other than further embracing and improving upon the niche it already fills in the aviation community. All of the flight training brings in money and trains the future generation of pilots who go on to fly in the military, airlines, and more which is of huge importance to the economy in Boulder and around the world. Flying is a big part of the lives of those who use the airport and is one of the best sites in the world to fly gliders. It would be heartbreaking to see this land used for some other purpose like a park, restaurant, or especially commercial or residential use - this could easily be placed elsewhere. Once this airport is gone, it's gone forever along with the future of Boulder's influence on aviation and the livelihoods and passion of the pilots who fly there.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 06:56 PM

Having this airport available for private aviation and flight training is a vital part of Boulder's future.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 06:57 PM

We desperately need affordable housing and better land use. This airport does not serve most people. Conversion of the land to housing is essential and best use of this land.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:10 PM

If the airport stays an airport, I would like the requirements of the airport changed such that airplanes may not use leaded fuel to prevent lead contamination of land and air around the airport.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:12 PM

The airport MUST be preserved and supported. The airport has major economic importance, secondary purpose it acts as a center point for natural disasters (flood 2013) and it is a unique and beautiful place to fly out of. Let me be clear, the airport MUST be supported and aviation at Boulder Muni should flourish!

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:53 PM

Reduce the noise. Some planes have no mufflers and are very loud. Major airports have noise restrictions why not small airports like Boulder

Anonymous

4/12/2023 07:56 PM

A place of strong general aviation.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 09:21 PM

Keep the airport open and invest in its future. Add a children's play area to expose them to the wonderful world of aviation. Encourage local businesses to hold events there such as the extremely fun, popular and successful 1940s Ball. Develop a dog-friendly nature hiking area around the airport perimeter.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:23 PM

I am opposed to further residential development on the airport site. It is not appropriate and the airport is needed as an airport.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:29 PM

My vision for the airport is that it remain an airport. It's funny that it's the only piece of city property that is constantly "under review" - not the case with the library, the bus station, parks, etc. I started working at the Boulder airport as a kid, pumping gas. I learned how to fly, made it a career, and now own an aviation business. The airport is part of the National Transportation System, that's why the FAA continues to fund it, for which we have entered into an agreement with, that we are bound to. Beyond that, it's a place for people to fly, work, travel, learn, discover new skills, have community, and be entertained. It's the place where we go when there is a fire or flood, it's where our emergency services people train, it's where the hospital helicopter is based. For the opponents of the airport that complain about the airplanes; I have been to an handful of City airport meetings, and for 30 years the same small group of people account for the bulk of the complaints. If the airport were no longer there, they would find something else to be discontent about. For those who want to develop the property, at some point you have to ask where

that ends. Do we pave over the green belt, libraries, ball fields? All for another set of condos and coffee shops? The airport is an asset to Boulder as an airport. It should be looked at that way, and made to look like the gateway to a great city, which it is.

Anonymous

4/12/2023 10:44 PM

Shut it down asap. It is making previously "Quiet Zone" residential neighborhoods a living hell with safety issues (student pilots looping endlessly, sometimes crashing), health issues (lead exhaust cumulative exposure) and loud noises so we can't even have a conversation sitting in our yard. It is an absolute disgrace and the city is not listening to the MANY Boulder citizens who have complained.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 12:53 AM

Commercial planes/alternative to DIA

Anonymous

4/13/2023 02:07 AM

Please leave as an airport, Kids and grownups love watching airplanes

Anonymous

4/13/2023 04:58 AM

My only hope is that there won't have any more noise than what we already have. Planes idling above our homes in Gunbarrel, dumping unleaded gas exhaust, preventing us from having audible conversations in our back yards. As far as I am concerned my preference would be to have no airport in my neighborhood at all.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 05:22 AM

Closed and replaced by affordable housing

Anonymous

4/13/2023 05:38 AM

Repurpose the land. The airport is used by a tiny fraction of city residents.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 06:13 AM

Airport is fine as is. Hangers need updating and the airport manager needs to be replaced

Anonymous

4/13/2023 06:50 AM

Boulder Municipal Airport has the potential to be transformed into a sustainable community that provides affordable housing for residents in the Boulder area. The site's location and infrastructure make it an ideal location for such a project. The airport could be repurposed into a mixed-use development that combines residential units, commercial spaces, and public amenities. The development could include a variety of housing types, including apartments, townhouses, and single-family homes, to accommodate a diverse range of residents.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 06:55 AM

Boulder, like many cities across the United States, is facing a severe housing crisis. The cost of living in the area has skyrocketed in recent years, making it increasingly difficult for working-class families and individuals to afford housing. This crisis has far-reaching consequences, from displacement and homelessness to the erosion of the community fabric that makes Boulder such a unique and vibrant place to live. Repurposing the land where Boulder Municipal Airport is located for the public good is an opportunity to address this crisis head-on. By transforming the airport into a sustainable community that provides affordable housing and public amenities like parks, Boulder can create a model for other cities to follow. Moreover, repurposing the land in this way aligns with Boulder's values of sustainability and social justice. By using the land for affordable housing, the city can help reduce its carbon footprint by reducing commutes and increasing walkability. It can also ensure that everyone in the community, regardless of their income level, has access to safe and healthy housing.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 07:06 AM

Boulder is a city with a thriving community, but we also face significant challenges in terms of affordable housing and accessible green spaces. The Boulder Airport, located on 130 acres of prime real estate, represents a unique opportunity for the city to address these issues and create a brighter future for its residents. Repurposing the land currently used by the airport for affordable housing would be a bold and proactive step towards addressing the housing crisis facing Boulder. With high housing prices and a limited supply of affordable units, Boulder needs to take decisive action to ensure that its residents can continue to live and work in the city they call home. By building affordable housing on the airport's land, the city could provide much-needed relief for low-income residents and ensure that they have a safe and comfortable place to call home.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 07:17 AM

An airport serving the aviation community while supporting the local economy while following environment friendly practices.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 07:32 AM

Create something as cool as Broomfield Town Square development that integrates parks, housing & commercial with GOOD DESIGN.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 07:44 AM

Keep it. Make it safer or more environmentally-friendly if needed, but keep it! I believe it's a vital Boulder hub, supporting critical services -- Flight for Life, wildfire operations, emergency landings, flight training (can help address pilot shortage) -- and recreation. And please stop filling in our outdoor spaces with more housing and non-

commensurate increases in services, recreation, parking, roads, retail/restaurants. And there's no need to build additional businesses out there when we have so many spaces sitting empty in central Boulder.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 08:32 AM

I already filled out a questionnaire and wanted to mention that we moved to Twin Lakes area in October. This Spring I hear continual buzzing from the airport. We thought the area was quiet! The airport needs to move away from residents.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 08:36 AM

BMA should be an innovation, recreational and educational aerospace facility. There are world class aerospace companies, CU aerospace is one of the top programs in Boulder, however, there continues to be a disconnect between tapping into this innovation and the BMA. Largely if BMA models itself after (i.e. Jeffco, even Longmont) that would be terrific. So to start: Hangar wait list should be governed by economics (i.e. higher rental fees will benefit city and prioritize wait list by economics). Likewise aerospace innovation zone (per Jeffco) could be created. Keeping this as a wait list based on time with relatively static prices stagnates the community. Likewise BMA should enforce needs of rental and make sure all tenants are aerospace business per the FAA. Likewise, while BMA has catered well to university/scientific aviation researchers. These clients occupy prime (and have too much) space. Also BMA manager should consider reaching out to firefighting centers to be a more ready/able partner in wildfire mitigation. BMA would also benefit from having an innovation area or tapping into innovation grants. Fundamentally BMA has a relatively short runway so it is limited to recreational and innovation vs. commercial/business travel...those will always be handled by Jeffco. Thus, the vision for BMA should really lean into recreation/education (i.e. glider, small planes, simulators, youth programs, pre pilot training) and innovation (i.e. environmental innovation - alt fuel programs, eplanes, forest fires mapping, land surveys, animal counts, methane sensing and fracking sensor payload testing, advanced simulator testing, navigation testing, camera testing and scientific (i.e. storm chaser, near atmosphere composition measurement).

Anonymous

4/13/2023 08:45 AM

No vision. Make the planes follow the flight path and not fly over our house.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 10:06 AM

Not there



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<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 10:19 AM</p>	<p>A sustainability and community model for Municipal airports incorporating renewable energy and being on the cutting edge of municipal airport sustainability efforts.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 10:29 AM</p>	<p>Flight patterns that do not fly low over our house! I work at home and the noise is really bad--hard to concentrate. Hard to hear on Zoom calls. Also disrupting while working or trying to enjoy our yard and deck. All we have ask for years is that the pilots do not turn north until they cross 75th street.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 11:53 AM</p>	<p>Make safer fuel a requirement. Research and publish pollutants you're spewing on our neighborhoods. Limit recreational activity to between 9 am-5 pm. Limit airport to mainly emergency flights. No pilot training. Quit low circling of our neighborhood!</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 12:43 PM</p>	<p>I truly don't use the airport</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 01:22 PM</p>	<p>I've loved flying there for over 40 years. The noise mitigations make it a little scary since you have to circle so high then come in steep. It seems well run.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 01:23 PM</p>	<p>clean it up, make the entrance welcoming, this is a community space and not just for plane people, get more hangers built, add a restaurnet, do the outdoor movies again</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 01:59 PM</p>	<p>In the distant past I have been a passenger on a plane flown out of the airport. I think responsible, non commercial, flights should continue to be supported. No flight school or other commercial use.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 03:01 PM</p>	<p>Keep the airport open and don't allow unrelated development to hinder current and future airport operations (e.g. excessive noise restrictions, encroachment)</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 03:24 PM</p>	<p>Quiet</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/13/2023 05:09 PM</p>	<p>Develop restaurant space so folks can have a meal &amp; watch airplanes.</p>

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Anonymous

4/13/2023 05:29 PM

Don't see a need for a larger or busier airport. I live on a hilltop west of the rez and planes ultralight and others fly to low over or house. I built here (1990) when the airport was more lightly used and don't see why the rights of aircraft owners supercede my right I had originally.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 07:06 PM

Friendly, safe, respectful, useful/usable, educational resource for Boulder.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 07:32 PM

More hangar space

Anonymous

4/13/2023 09:02 PM

I would like to see more hanger availability and a slightly longer runway.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 09:13 PM

The airport seems fine, keep it

Anonymous

4/13/2023 09:35 PM

No added commercial flight services. Efforts to create more environmentally friendly aviation - both in emissions and sound. As a resident of Niwot, I'm so tired of endless small plane noise. My father was a pilot of a small plane and I see the value of small aviation. But I don't support expanding the airport to larger planes or more commercial uses. Let's be innovative and do what we can to support new fuel technologies or smaller aircraft.

Anonymous

4/13/2023 11:45 PM

It's going well. Let it live and thrive. There are many people that believe it is one of the best things Boulder has going for it.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 03:40 AM

What direction are you going? I am unimpressed with housing that provides inadequate parking for its residents

Anonymous

4/14/2023 07:14 AM

N/a

Anonymous

4/14/2023 07:30 AM

My vision is for the airport to be retired. I live in Orange Orchard, just north of Jay Road. From my observations, most of the airport use is on weekends, and while I cannot say for sure what motivates the pilots, it appears to be mostly pleasure trips with lots of flying over residential areas. I am not sure this adds much to the quality of life in Boulder.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 08:43 AM

Then needs of the many, all citizens of Boulder should be the guiding principle for decisions. Boulders airport does NOT accomplish this goal. The needs of the few are overriding the needs of the community with noise and air pollution. Boulders airport is NOT vital to emergency services. Every one of these needs CAN BE supported by other airports and helipads or open fields for helis. The economic benefits of the airport are small compared to the devastating negative impacts to our community. Glenwood Springs proved with their 2019 assessment that repurposing the airport for mixed use residential and commercial use would bring HUGE economic benefits to the tax base. Close the airport and repurpose the land!

Anonymous

4/14/2023 08:45 AM

CLOSE THE STUPID AIRPORT! It is dirty noisy and gross. Serves ZERO purpose in the community. The pilots are dirty assholes. CLOSE THE DUMP AIRPORT TODAY!!

Anonymous

4/14/2023 08:49 AM

Closed

Anonymous

4/14/2023 08:52 AM

I live adjacent to the airport. I had hoped that this Airport Community Conversation would seek input from the neighborhood, from those most affected on a daily basis. I am disappointed to find not a single question regarding the effect on the neighborhood. For the record, the effect of the airport on the neighborhood is quite a negative one. My vision is to close the airport permanently. If that property could be used to provide additional sustainable housing, such as what was recently built down the road at 47th, that would seem to meet a much greater need in our area. Also for the record, ranking 13 values, most to least aligned, is an absurd request. It's hard to see how you can get any usable information from a poorly designed "questionnaire" such as this.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 08:54 AM

I would prefer to see the land repurposed for affordable housing. Barring that, significant changes need to be made to limit flight training school operations that impact nearby communities with noise, air and lead pollution. The local pilots who rent hangar space are not the problem. Pilots in training flying over homes and businesses are a safety risk and ruin quality of life for residents.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:11 AM

I want the airport to continue to be a vital part of our community and become as accessible as possible to more members of our community. I believe air transportation and recreation using small

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regional airports will increase in the future as battery technologies allow electric aircraft to become the standard aircraft used by private pilots. General Aviation News also points out that noise is decreased by 20-24 dB for electric aircraft, which will significantly help the community as we transition to a more environmentally sustainable aviation future. <https://generalaviationnews.com/2021/04/15/flight-testing-reveals-electric-aircraft-reduce-noise-pollution/> Also, the glider port provides a low cost way for members of the community to try out flying and learn to fly. There is no glider port that has such great access to the front range anywhere near Boulder, so losing this would be a great loss for the aviation community. Increased hangar space and having more aviation businesses at the airport also increases the economic health of Boulder and I am for anything we can do to increase usage of this resource.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:19 AM

The airport and city need to get real and test for the POLLUTION that is being dropped on the Four Mile Creek and Palo Park Neighborhoods. This impacts our children and wildlife. Also need to address the NOISE the airplanes generate and the impact on CHILDREN and WILDLIFE. It is completely hypocritical to ignore these impacts just because they are out east and not over Pearl St and Mapleton Hill or the Flatirons.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:26 AM

I don't think the Boulder Municipal Airport fits with who we are as a community.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:30 AM

Affordable housing - close the airport

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:33 AM

Primarily urban housing in a 15 minute neighborhood with public spaces. The current airport does not support equity (curious why no questions on that, but it was mentioned right next to the comp plan at the open house). In addition the Airport/FAA is blocking the Airport-61st MUP.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:35 AM

Affordable Housing!

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:47 AM

I'd love to see this land fully converted into something that benefits the entire community and usage that doesn't impact all the neighborhoods surrounding this. Would the city put a water park here? No so why is this airport here?

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Anonymous 4/14/2023 10:18 AM	A variety of housing options, parks, trails
Anonymous 4/14/2023 11:49 AM	I would love to see open space, trail connection and parks.
Anonymous 4/14/2023 01:14 PM	No more pollution (esp lead) being dumped on the city. No more noise pollution affecting quality of life for residents.
Anonymous 4/14/2023 01:49 PM	Need for follow up on lead contamination health issues and a response to major noise complaints with airport activities currently benefitting the few at the expense of the many.
Anonymous 4/14/2023 01:57 PM	We have nothing if we don't have a healthy planet and this airport pollutes all day long.
Anonymous 4/14/2023 02:17 PM	Why not use that land for more housing?
Anonymous 4/14/2023 02:30 PM	Essential part of community Critical to safety-just remember the 2013 flood evacuations that used the airport
Anonymous 4/14/2023 02:48 PM	I would like to see 1) the use of unleaded fuel exclusively for fueled planes, 2) the instantiation and enforcement of quiet times, 3) enforcement of no flights under 1000 ft above ground level.
Anonymous 4/14/2023 03:44 PM	Just leave it as is. I live on final approach for the airport and occasionally it's noisy. I knew this when I bought my house. Just because someone doesn't like something isn't a reason to get rid of it. This is so wrong. Boulder residents should not get to shut down airports that have been around longer than themselves. The airport was here when they moved. This is horrible.
Anonymous 4/14/2023 04:00 PM	Keep it the way it is.
Anonymous 4/14/2023 04:08 PM	N/a
Anonymous	More general aviation hangar development like the master plan

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4/14/2023 04:54 PM	suggested 20 years ago. Airport manager that is aviation friendly and not combative. Current airport manager is rude, a bully non aviation supportive. He wants to turn the airport into a commercial hub
Anonymous	I love the Boulder Airport and I would love to see it expanded.
4/14/2023 04:56 PM	
Anonymous	A place where pilots want to land and stay
4/14/2023 05:34 PM	
Anonymous	Make it world class not just a dump.
4/14/2023 05:48 PM	
Anonymous	A welcoming airport environment that encourages general aviation and attracts pilots to the area.
4/14/2023 06:10 PM	
Anonymous	Keep the boulder airport for scientific, rescue, emergency, firefighting, law enforcement, educational, commercial, training , and recreational general aviation as it has been used for the past 50+ years Oh and get GAMI no lead or other no lead fuel ASAP
4/14/2023 06:15 PM	
Anonymous	Thriving general and business aviation center with additional hangar space and usage. More community events to get people interested and connected to aviation.
4/14/2023 06:35 PM	
Anonymous	Respect the diversity that the airport brings to the community.
4/14/2023 06:54 PM	
Anonymous	More hangars, nicer terminal, instrument approach, more accessible to the community, open a restaurant.
4/14/2023 07:05 PM	
Anonymous	The airport is an important link for our community and a driver of economic strength.
4/14/2023 07:29 PM	
Anonymous	easily accessed public airport, that direct airport users (pilots, student pilots, others employed or training in the aviation industry) as well as general public feel welcomed to gather at. For aviation activities, or casual meetings, picnics, or other recreation.
4/14/2023 08:14 PM	

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Anonymous

4/14/2023 08:40 PM

Better noise abatement signage and more hangars.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 08:48 PM

Continue to provide economic benefits to residents and the surrounding areas.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:16 PM

Add a restaurant like Longmont or Greeley. Make it a destination place, rather than a place nobody but pilots visit.

Anonymous

4/14/2023 09:29 PM

provide the City of Boulder and the surrounding communities with a safe, reliable, and friendly aviation environment and support the economic development of the region while observing the airport's dedication to general aviation.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 06:56 AM

Maintaining the small bucolic airport it has always been, with perhaps some improvements in FBO services.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 07:08 AM

Boulder Municipal Airport is well located to serve as an multimodal hub to provide the community with a sustainable eVTOL solution that interlinks air mobility with ground transportation. For example, eVTOL transportation to/from DIA connected to Boulder's public transportation.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 07:19 AM

Additional hangar space to support the growing front range general aviation needs

Anonymous

4/15/2023 07:23 AM

I'd like to see it closed down and the land converted to affordable housing. If that doesn't happen, I would like to see more controls on the amount of air time, noise levels of the planes, and flight patterns over heavily populated areas. As well as a ban on leaded gas with a requirement to switch planes to unleaded fuels as we do for cars.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 07:31 AM

An airport that serves a vital city in Colorado and the United States. I believe with the upcoming electric training planes, boulder could be a perfect spot to show its functionality and place in aerospace. With improvements you could get people who fly their families privately into boulder and earn a lot of money for revenue. Airports are also one of the best community spots, little children and families love to watch airplanes and any improvements to the amount of planes possible or more space to support the existing demand would have a great impact on the community in a positive way.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 07:38 AM

To become more sustainable and economically beneficial to the community.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 08:16 AM

An airport with some more hangars for general aviation managed by a pilot who understands general aviation in class G airspace.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 09:34 AM

I would love for the airport to be decommissioned and repurposed for housing or other development. It does little to serve any transportation service but is rather an obnoxious country club for flight schools and gliders to pollute the local areas with noise and lead. From morning until dark, every time I step outside or open a window, I can hear or see an airplane droning overhead doing touch-and-go laps. Many of these operations are not even centered in Boulder, but flying in from other airports to treat our community to their noise and pollution. It makes it nearly impossible to enjoy a nice day in our yard or even open our windows due to the endless droning of plane engines straining on their touch and go takeoffs and turning West. Oftentimes, they fly well North of Jay road outside the recommended flight path and directly over our house and neighborhood.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 10:04 AM

Open for operations

Anonymous

4/15/2023 10:04 AM

Provide critical access to the community for business, education, research, and recreational uses. Encourage development setbacks that will allow a prosperous future for the airport.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 10:55 AM

Primarily, maintain use of the land as an airport, in a reasonable and responsible manner.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 10:59 AM

Continue to offer the airport and its services to the general public.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 11:01 AM

That it remains in use

Anonymous

4/15/2023 11:47 AM

dedicated green space for quiet recreation with reliable public transportation, possible dedicated permanent affordable housing -- NO MOTOR NOISE -- NO RACING -- NO PICKLE-BALL courts if there is nearby housing that could hear any of these events, please



Anonymous

4/15/2023 12:46 PM

Small General Aviation airports bring financial benefit to the local community they serve. I would like to see KBDU continue to operate as a GA airport.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 02:14 PM

Although General Aviation is perhaps a not well recognized component of a vibrant well rounded community, it indeed is, and under certain circumstances can become a vital communication and transportation link. It would be foolish to eliminate it.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 02:36 PM

Continued use as a recreational airport, open to all

Anonymous

4/15/2023 03:41 PM

A more active aviation community that reaches out to a more diverse range of residents

Anonymous

4/15/2023 03:46 PM

no increase in noise levels. no expansion of noisy private or commercial plane travel

Anonymous

4/15/2023 07:57 PM

Important part of boulder economy

Anonymous

4/15/2023 09:41 PM

Decommission at least some operations and make a model higher-density green-built complete neighborhood.

Anonymous

4/15/2023 11:01 PM

Unsure- where are the choices given at the open house?

Anonymous

4/16/2023 12:05 AM

Keep it open and don't turn it into something else!

Anonymous

4/16/2023 12:13 AM

Firstly, forcing me to rank the options in question 2 in order to submit my opinion means that I am being asked to rank "values" that the author values but I don't necessarily agree with. This should not be a requirement to submit, but more of an open-ended question. Please continue to improve the Boulder airport for the benefit of all airport users, especially those learning to fly. Municipalities all over the country continue to close airports because they rationalize that they are not needed. Riddle me this please. If more & more small airports are closed, how can future pilots afford to learn how to fly? If we have

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no future pilot training, who is going to fly airliners, air medivac missions, aerial environmental missions, etc. It would be very short sighted for Boulder to close or further limit the usefulness of this airport! Just because I am probably in the minority, doesn't mean that I shouldn't be represented by my city council members. What happened to listening to minority opinions when it comes to public policy? Furthermore, the reality of a survey about the airport (any airport in the country) will most likely produce results that are skewed against the airport. It is this fact that makes the controlling governmental authorities even more responsible to protect the airport for the benefit of all residents, even those that don't really understand why the airport is so important to the community. Thank you.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 06:06 AM

its a great little GA airport. stop trying to kill the gliders and bush planes

Anonymous

4/16/2023 07:50 AM

It should stay as it is

Anonymous

4/16/2023 08:59 AM

Housing, commerce, parks.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 09:04 AM

This is my 2nd submission of this form. This shows that the results of this survey are unreliable, unless the goal is to serve those who can game this survey the best.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 09:12 AM

In my neighborhood the noise from planes circling overhead is bothersome. I would like this airport to merge with other nearby airports and be moved further away from densely populated NE Boulder.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 10:59 AM

Retain its character as a small, predominantly recreational airport. My biggest concern is regarding noise from low flying planes - there is already too much noise.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 11:34 AM

Develop community through restaurant and events. Do not add jet traffic or large volume of flight traffic because of noise for surrounding neighborhoods.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 12:56 PM

I am very concerned about the excessive amount of air traffic overhead, along with the resulting air pollution and noise pollution,

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which are very harmful physically and mentally.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 02:47 PM

I would like to know about possible shuttles to DIA. I am concerned about planes circling for hours above residential areas.

Anonymous

4/16/2023 07:48 PM

It is worth seriously studying the closing of the airport. If this is feasible, the 180 acres should be developed using an updated version of the Holiday model: walkable, mixed-income housing, fairly dense. This would be a great place for "Missing Middle" housing and also to experiment with car-free, car-light living.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 07:32 AM

An airport is a vital part of a community, both economically and accessibility. Shutting down an airport for "affordable housing " is the worst idea . If I could move from the Boulder area I would in a heartbeat, you people are the worst in the state. You have no idea how this will hurt your little community of self righteous idiots. And yes I am a professional and progressive.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 07:56 AM

To provide transportation services and general aviation recreation, as well as home the Boulder Amateur Radio Club

Anonymous

4/17/2023 08:46 AM

The airport space would best serve the community if it was repurposed as space for affordable housing. The availability of other local airports makes the Boulder airport unnecessary for the city. The airport's contributions to air and noise pollution are contrary to the cities sustainability ideals.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 08:51 AM

It could be a social hub with a restaurant and an educational center.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 09:05 AM

I'd love to see something that supports the community. A Rec center for all or anything that is not just for pilots. I never go there.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 09:21 AM

Please use this land for better use.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 09:24 AM

I'd like to see a park (north Boulder is lacking) grocery store or Rec center up here.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 09:32 AM

I would like to see better maintenance (including snow removal) of the runway, greatly expanded hangar space (#1 priority). Aviation is a passion for many in our community and Boulder is among the best places to fly in the nation. I was once an active athlete enjoying the trails, roads and open spaces here in Boulder. I am not physically unable to do the outdoor activities that so many do here in Boulder. I am, however, able to fly and doing so from our local airport is an incredible option for many of us. The 7-8 year waitlist for hangar space is a testament to how important aviation is to many in our community. The airport is the ONLY place to build more hangar space or expand aviation operations. There are no other location options. Using airport property for other projects/activities is counterproductive and harmful to the future of aviation here.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 10:23 AM

I think the airport property could be put to better use with housing and neighborhood level mixed use development. Now it's primarily used for recreation by a small group of people and the land would be better re-purposed to serve the needs of the broader community. the need for runways in emergencies (like wildfires and floods) could be addressed through shared use with other nearby airports.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 10:42 AM

I frankly am almost entirely unaware of its existence after being a resident and homeowner for about 5 years.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 11:18 AM

Planes never fly west of 30th st. and more accessible trails/open space.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 11:44 AM

keep it going with some needed improvements

Anonymous

4/17/2023 11:47 AM

none

Anonymous

4/17/2023 12:30 PM

I'd like to see the airport permanently shut down as an airport and developed as middle and lower income housing with neighborhood services.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 12:30 PM

training flights should not occur over open space. citizens need somewhere peaceful to go that is quiet. walden and sawhill ponds are plagued by flight school planes that destroy the experience for users. horrible. heartbreaking. Asking about sexual orientation on a questionnaire about the airport is bizarre, annoying, and intrusive.

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Even though optional, how is that relevant? Don't you have more important things to do?

Anonymous

4/17/2023 12:46 PM

Safe, secure aviation operations (safety of flight, security of hangars and equipment). Convenient, comfortable space & services (parking, public transportation, restaurant on-site).

Anonymous

4/17/2023 01:06 PM

To continue operations. Boulder Airport together with the many operating airports around the country are an important resource for encouraging young people to become pilots or other aviation related careers. Without this resource our already stressed aviation industry will not survive. The airport is necessary for rescue missions, etc.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 02:15 PM

The airport is a place where the city could provide a lot of affordable housing.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 03:07 PM

The airport has a use now and I do not support disbanding the airport for housing units. When the flood in '13 and fire in '12 occurred, the airport served as a local landing ground for emergency workers and planes.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 03:17 PM

Boulder Airport has historically been a small general aviation community airport. Its main highlights have been an attractive airport for the local community including flight training students, an important staging area for disaster and emergency services, a hub for innovative research, and a world class glider port. Many Boulder community members, including children, have taken their flight training at KBDU, and moved on to careers in aviation. Boulder airport is home base for several 501(c)(3) non-profits that provide opportunities for local youth engagement, aerospace education, and emergency services. Boulder Airport should continue this role into the future and not try to morph into a more corporate style airport with significantly increased turbine traffic. I believe the current runway length will not support such traffic and moving in that direction would result in significantly increased noise and noise complaints, and in turn would be something the Boulder Community would come to regret. Boulder Airport does need development if we want to modernize the facilities there, most of which date to the 1960s or earlier. New hangar space is desperately needed both by aviators seeking to protect their aircraft, and for revenue into the airport fund. A new fuel farm of appropriate size is needed to replace the aging in-ground tanks. Re-development or replacement of the airport terminal would be desirable and would facilitate improvements in FBO

services. Some attractive spaces should be allocated for the general public who enjoy coming to the airport, often with their kids, to watch the aviation activities. Given that the area west of Foothills Parkway is basically a food desert, the development of a restaurant / food venue would be of immense value to the airport, and the surrounding business and residential communities. Boulder has an opportunity to assume a leadership role in moving towards a more sustainable version of aviation. This might include early adoption of unleaded fuels, aircraft that use less fuel, electric aircraft (large capacity charging Infrastructure will be needed), and aircraft that make less noise, as well as in the emerging arenas of Urban Air Mobility and Advanced Air Mobility (do we want Vertical Take Off and Landing (VTOL) aircraft operating out of downtown Boulder, or at the airport?). Significant planning and resources will be needed to take such a leadership position, and Boulder should be prepared to incentivize (i.e. funding beyond the airport enterprise fund) the sustainable measures that it wants to see emerge at Boulder Airport. The airport could truly extend its role as a community resource if it were to incorporate some STEAM based educational facilities, hangar space for aviation based non-profit entities, and community based meeting spaces. The goal should be to both bring the airport to the community, and the community to the airport such that there is a better understanding of the overall value of the airport to the Boulder Community.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 04:02 PM

Don't change anything

Anonymous

4/17/2023 04:04 PM

Keep it open with unleaded fuel and some noise mitigation.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 04:18 PM

Continuation of Operations of gliders, private GA, scientific research aircraft with educational opportunities for local schools

Anonymous

4/17/2023 04:29 PM

Continued operations with focus on noise abatement, responsible pilotage, and business growth.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 04:38 PM

Do not close the airport! Embrace it for what it adds, has added, and can add to the community in the City, County, and State.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 04:44 PM

it's been there longer than most houses and should continue with its operations

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<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 04:46 PM</p>	<p>I would like it left alone. We live in in Vista Village Mobile Home Park. We like to walk in the evenings at the airport because it is quiet. Boulder is being over developed.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 05:03 PM</p>	<p>Enlarging the airport would only be for more airplanes, helicopters and transportation that is fed by "fuel" that leave their carbon footprint. It creates the reverse of what Boulder has strived to achieve with Environmental Sustainability. It would further effect the two large mobile homes areas located nearby - which are for those with low incomes and students. This would further push out those who have are in low-income and further take away their rights to live in their homes. There are no possibilities of the mobile homes being moved for many of the tenants.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 05:28 PM</p>	<p>I live very near the airport &amp; have no interest in there being change, such as more air traffic or airplane noise. I am ok with there being a fair amount of gliders there. Also, if hot air balloon traffic is considered I would be ok with that as well. No Jets or other noisy aircraft!</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 05:30 PM</p>	<p>Keep it open and accessible as it is now</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 05:41 PM</p>	<p>It is one of the only spaces in the community that could be used to meet larger community goals (question 1). Currently it serves a very small number of people -- I appreciate their investment, but there are alternative airports in surrounding communities. I support developing it for housing, recreating and community.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 07:10 PM</p>	<p>I would like to see the airport have major improvments made. This would allow it to be a better resource to the community. As well as increase economic value to the community.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 07:14 PM</p>	<p>Don't know</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/17/2023 07:20 PM</p>	<p>Let's not develop the airport into more residential property. There will be a continuing need for an airport directly in Boulder, for recreational users and business/commercial use.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>mixed use development with an emphasis on affordable housing</p>

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4/17/2023 07:26 PM

Anonymous

4/17/2023 07:57 PM

Glider port for all. A unique and welcoming space to share with and teach the community about aviation in its various forms.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 08:09 PM

I don't use the airport. I also don't see recreational air travel to be an environmentally sustainable activity. That said there are many activities that could be in that category (resort skiing, for example, which I do enjoy). My vision would be that whatever the usage or non-usage of the space is, that the noise impact is reduced dramatically. There are certain planes that shake homes on the opposite side of 28th, early in the morning. The economic and recreational impact of the airport needs to be balanced against folks that really don't see much, if any, benefit for the airport being around.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 09:12 PM

Pilots do not seem to follow the published flight plans. Many pilots fly way to low and make too much noise over the areas around the airport. We have adequate regional airports very close by, so no expansion should be permitted and current flights should be better monitored.

Anonymous

4/17/2023 09:52 PM

More hangars, more community outreach

Anonymous

4/17/2023 11:10 PM

First, continuing operations of our small airport. It is a general aviation gem. Possibly adding an airport cafe or restaurant

Anonymous

4/18/2023 02:29 AM

A place for learning and exploration

Anonymous

4/18/2023 04:25 AM

Major improvement! Stop trying to destroy the airport.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:26 AM

I've lived directly across the street from the airport on Independence for 13 years, my husband 25 years. We love and value what the airport has added to our community. My kids have sat and watched the planes for hours, and countless members of our community have told me how much they too enjoy the airport. The glider planes are a unique experience. My vision for the airport and for boulder is preservation. As a Colorado native, I moved to Boulder 20 years ago and I fell in love with it- please know that preservation should be part of our vision to keep this city unique.



Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:57 AM

If any housing is considered, it should be minimal, less than 3 stories and restaurants and small grocery accommodations provided AND COMPLETED at the same time any minimal MINIMAL housing is added. Considering how aggressively/invasive my Boulder has added huge ugly housing around Boulder...I'm assuming the MORE HOUSING decision has already been made so I'm just fighting for moderation and lower and less!!

Anonymous

4/18/2023 06:02 AM

A great place to learn to fly. Would like more hangar spaces. Focus on lowering costs in order to get more people involved in aviation and aviation careers.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 06:09 AM

Being a airport for future generations to enjoy.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 06:33 AM

Repurposed for high community benefit and low pollution impacts.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 06:36 AM

My vision is that the Boulder Municipal Airport continues to be a key resource for the community for business, recreation, helping in disasters (fire, flood) and all of its other purposes.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 07:15 AM

Preserve airport while: Work on and enforce noise abatement  
Improve relations between airport users and neighbors Work toward unleaded fuel Work to eliminate random unsightly equipment storage along north fence (grader, fuel trucks, etc) both inside and along north edge airport property

Anonymous

4/18/2023 07:25 AM

The airport serves our community well, as witnessed by the many operations that take place there daily. I thank everyone in advance for making sure this airport remains an important part of our communities future.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 07:37 AM

I would like to see the airport continue operating in a safe and efficient manner. It would be wonderful to have a cafe to watch the planes. I would be open to listening to any ideas to improve the operation of the airport

Anonymous

4/18/2023 07:39 AM

Open and encouraging to those looking to learn or become more familiar with flying and ground operations.

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Anonymous

4/18/2023 08:26 AM

Leave as is.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 08:38 AM

Maintain airport, require unleaded fuel, shift to electric flight over time

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:02 AM

A muni airport is part of a diverse, vital community. We took our daughter to the airport every summer for educational activities. She sat in helicopters, talked to pilots, and visited the hangars. I ride by the airport on my bike and enjoy the gliders and the open space. The gliders are truly and opportunity for people to get involved in flying. We need the airport to train pilots. In addition, we need this airport space as wildland fires increase. We need the close helicopter space and space for small slurry bombers. Jeffco and Longmont are too far when we have a fire near Boulder.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:26 AM

The airport is a really important community asset, especially as transportation (and air-based transportation, in particular) is on the cusp of major changes, which could serve to revolutionize Boulder's sustainable connection to other nearby cities. Taking drastic action before this process has a chance to play out would be short-sighted and foreclose on our community's opportunity to be at the forefront of sustainable innovation in the aviation space. Our airport is currently an important economic driver for the community, a hub for scientific research, an important education and training center for future pilots and young persons interested in aviation and STEM-related careers, and a key emergency response center in times of crisis/disaster. Ideally, I'd like to see all of these existing uses supported with strategic community investment, and I'd also like the airport to be more comprehensively incorporated into the community -- let's make it a place that is welcoming and vital for everybody in our community. A future airport could be a lively business area, a gathering site (with community space, restaurants, and educational facilities), and an important node in the region's evolving transit network. Some of the proposals/conversations that have been floated about bulldozing the site to provide for housing (a single use that the city could very well satisfy elsewhere) would be incredibly short-sighted and would result in the irrevocable loss of an important community economic, education, research, and emergency response asset. Do we really need to give up an important community asset to solve a problem that could literally be addressed in dozens of other places across the city? I'd much rather see the city's planning and zoning commissions revise their approach to higher-density and infill housing than to cede a valuable, multi-use community resource to (partially and temporarily) address a single priority. This is a terrible idea that gives up too much

to insulate other constituencies in the city from having to take part in conversations about how to make needed changes to zoning, code, density, and growth city-wide.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:32 AM

It's a great place for activities such as flying, skydiving, gliders.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:43 AM

I think it's good the way it is currently

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:47 AM

It's fine the way it is.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:51 AM

I would like to see the airport stay open and help Boulder become an innovative community

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:53 AM

I would like to see the airport stay open to create innovation and progress in boulder

Anonymous

4/18/2023 10:05 AM

I envision a larger airport. It would be amazing to have more hangar space as well as a longer runway especially on the high density altitude days in the summer with a heavy load when it takes a little bit more ground roll to get off the ground. I think closing the airport, using the land for other purposes, or further constraining the amount of land the already small airport has would be a very big detriment to the city of Boulder.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 10:08 AM

We live right near the airport and I appreciate that it exists. I believe it's very important for Boulder to continue to have an airport. To me, it's unthinkable that a 100k+ city would consider doing away with its airport. I feel the airport is vital for things like fire mitigation and other emergency services, and I believe that we're not far off from the widespread use of electric air "taxis." When these come on the scene, Boulder is going to want to be one of the locations where they're available. I do think the airport should institute a ban on leaded fuel and reduce noise and light pollution.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 11:43 AM

Boulder Municipal is a must have in the community. The accessibility, use, and all around great environment at Boulder Municipal are they reasons why it's a staple of Boulder. Not only that, it provides out of towners to fly in with ease, which helps support the local economy. Please save this airport.

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Anonymous

4/18/2023 12:10 PM

I would love to see a replica of the Holiday Neighborhood

Anonymous

4/18/2023 01:47 PM

Keep the airport AS IS. Fix up some the grounds of the airport but keep as an airport. The neighborhoods surrounding this do not want more housing that is going to depreciate their value.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 02:02 PM

A world-class small municipal airport that offer all the latest safety features

Anonymous

4/18/2023 02:28 PM

A modern, low-impact airport integrated into the City of Boulder and continuing to provide a full range of operations. The airport should also be a partner with the surrounding areas to balance the value provided by having a general aviation airport with the needs of other non-aviation members of the community.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 03:06 PM

The airport should continue to operate as it has (vs. expanding or being used for other things) but be more concerned with reducing noise over nearby neighborhoods (including mine).

Anonymous

4/18/2023 03:31 PM

Same as now

Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:06 PM

Keep it as is, why does Boulder continue to look at any open space to fill it with buildings or housing?

Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:07 PM

Continued operation of both the general aviation and commercial operations.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:18 PM

We would love to see them switch to unleaded fuel. My family and I live on a farm around the corner and we have young children. We would love not to breathe in the leaded fuel in the air or have it impact our children or our farm.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:25 PM

Continue as an airport

Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:50 PM

Continue using the airport as an airport.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 05:55 PM

Environmentally friendly and sustainable

Anonymous

4/18/2023 06:05 PM

Environmentally sustainable, preserve open space, renewable energy

Anonymous

4/18/2023 08:46 PM

That the airport remain much as it is: a resource for many local organizations, a community asset, especially in times of crisis, a training place for pilots, the provider of many jobs, a resource as transportation changes in the future. It is an also a place that is using more environmentally favorable fuel, continually working to manage noise levels, communicating with the community more regularly and effectively.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 09:16 PM

A place for both recreation and business aviation that thrives.  
Community outreach and events

Anonymous

4/18/2023 11:10 PM

A community airport for recreational use and emergency services.  
Environmentally sustainable. Gliders are the best example of environmentally sustainable recreational aviation.

Anonymous

4/18/2023 11:21 PM

The airport is a hub for education in aerospace, community around aviation, and a gateway to the mountains and the rest or CO. I participate in non-profit activities with teens there, but also in gliding activities and general aviation. This has been a great place for all of these activities which reinforces the university research interests and strengthens the aerospace department. Indeed, many university employees are members of the community, but so are individuals in tech and in the industry. I understand that people living around the airport might want to see some changes in the flying operations and I think those middle grounds can be reached: there is plenty of space! Anything harsher than a civil conversation about how to make everyone get along regarding noise and such would greatly damage one of Boulders amazing sources for knowledge and employment. I see the airport slightly improving some of it's operations for everyone's happiness, but also increasing the accessibility. If some have not seen this place as the hub that it is, it might be because people need to come see it for themselves. More community outreach and even affordable flying experiences would help everyone see what the airport has to offer.

Anonymous 4/18/2023 11:47 PM	Boulder muni should seek to be the regions eminent general aviation airport - focusing on gliders and light aircraft
Anonymous 4/19/2023 02:15 AM	More community events to include everyone! Not just pilots and the families of pilots.
Anonymous 4/19/2023 04:34 AM	I would like BMA to continue to be a small General Aviation airport welcoming all different types of airspace users with particular focus on the types of aircraft for which a towered airport is inappropriate
Anonymous 4/19/2023 06:06 AM	A hub for sustainable aviation, including as a possible centre oh advanced aerial mobility.
Anonymous 4/19/2023 06:10 AM	Operation at KBDU have been working well for over 60 years maintaining what we have with better maintenance and enhancements to further these operations not restrict or modify unnecessarily are what should be the focus.
Anonymous 4/19/2023 06:15 AM	I envision the airport as a special purpose park. It is one that supports many types of aerial activities. These activities should be both recreational and educational. The infrastructure and activities should reflect the sporting, and adventurous nature of Boulder. The airport should have aviation infrastructure that supports and encourages gliders, sky diving, experimental aircraft, personal/family transportation, training, acrobatics, medivac, and forest fire mitigation. Being next to the Front Range, the Boulder Airport provides a trail head to the sky over these beautiful mountains. This airport is one of the gems in Boulder's crown.
Anonymous 4/19/2023 06:37 AM	Would love to see it support a diversity of small and light aircraft. Would prefer that huge corporate jets go elsewhere, such as the Rocky Mountain Regional airport just down 36 from Boulder.
Anonymous 4/19/2023 06:44 AM	To remain an airport!!!
Anonymous 4/19/2023 06:53 AM	Continued GA and Glider operations, with expanded features for local residents such as dining and a nice observation area.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 07:04 AM

I believe the airport is a valuable resource for our community. Think about how vital it was in putting out wildfires over the last few years. I also think it could be very important and impactful in the future, as a hub/connection to bigger airports. It's also nice "open" space, protecting vistas and views.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 07:11 AM

I'd like to see the Boulder Airport become more of a community resource, providing space for non-flying neighbors to come with family to watch the activity or, better, a restaurant that would provide a view for watching the air traffic and the beautiful views. There are very few places in the US where people can watch gliders fly. Trackers on the gliders can show on a digital map in the restaurant for the curious. Water and sewer service to the north side would be greatly appreciated.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 07:14 AM

I envision the airport as a special purpose air park. A location that supports many types of aerial activities. These activities should be both recreational and educational. The infrastructure and activities should reflect the sporting, and adventurous nature of Boulder. The airport should have aviation infrastructure that supports and encourages gliders, sky diving, experimental aircraft, personal/family transportation, training, acrobatics, medivac, and forest fire mitigation. Being next to the Front Range, the Boulder Airport provides a trail head to the sky over these beautiful mountains. This airport is one of the gems in Boulder's crown.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 07:19 AM

Commercial flights

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:11 AM

A Community that embraces diverse interests to meet a complex portfolio of interests.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:21 AM

We need that airport, and it should never be closed

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:23 AM

I envision the airport as a necessary and vital part of Boulder. I would like the airport to support many types of aerial activities. These activities should be both recreational and educational. The airport should have aviation infrastructure that supports and encourages gliders, experimental aircraft, personal/family transportation, training, acrobatics, Medivac, and fire fighting support. With the unique location near the foothills, the Boulder Airport provides a trail head to the sky over these beautiful mountains. This airport is a diamond in

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Boulder's greatness.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:27 AM

growth and maintenance of glider services, they are a unique, outdoor oriented, eco-friendly activity

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:37 AM

An airport that is used for recreational purposes, day flyers and gliders.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:52 AM

Recognize the past, present and future value of BDU as a valuable piece of our national aerospace infrastructure to provide non-discriminatory access for all forms of aviation. Scientific endeavors, emergency response, business access, recreational use and economic activity are vital to our community. BDU is uniquely well-suited to remain available as a portal to the natural updrafts over the Rockies... permitting the public to enjoy the mountains by soaring in perfect harmony with nature.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:54 AM

I strongly believe that airport is vital to the community. It brings innovation to the aircraft community. It has the opportunity of being a leader and creating more environmentally sustainable aircraft. We all know that there is a lot happening in the world of aviation to make planes more eco-friendly. Closing the airport could close a major opportunity to lead in that industry. Boulder has always been a leader in the environment and innovation. Why not use our airport as a launching pad to make big changes. We are on the edge of some exciting technology, and the airport should be maintained to be a part of this technology. Also, it's wonderful having a small airport in the community.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:58 AM

Current usage with expected important future uses as aviation goes electric

Anonymous

4/19/2023 09:10 AM

no thoughts

Anonymous

4/19/2023 09:30 AM

The airport is a valuable asset to our community in floods, fires, presidential visits, etc. Keep the airport and have better PR/strategies to address noise issues. Been a neighbor for over 30 years and want it to stay.

Anonymous

Boulder Airport should remain a small, friendly local airport that

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4/19/2023 10:00 AM

supports all types of recreational aviation activities. Boulder Airport is particularly well suited to gliding/soaring and is internationally recognized as one of the premier soaring locations in the United States. It has enjoyed more than 60 years of continuous soaring activity and has produced many National Champions and Internationally ranked glider pilots. Boulder Airport is not particularly conducive to Business Jet activity due to runway elevation, length and noise considerations. Fortunately, Rocky Mountain Metro Airport (10 miles away) is well suited and conveniently located for those needing access to business aviation services.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 10:03 AM

The Airport should match "Boulder", sustainable flying like small aircraft and gliders, support of research and small innovative business. We do NOT want an airport that caters to jet and turbine traffic. It is contrary to "Boulder".

Anonymous

4/19/2023 10:19 AM

Ready access for those who use the facility for flying or parachuting, and for those in the surrounding community. Welcoming to small aircraft. This is a small airport not suited to larger aircraft. Sensitive to noise issues - i.e. a good neighbor to the extent possible.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 10:27 AM

I would like Boulder to continue to have a municipal airport to support general aviation (including soaring) and a limited amount of private business traffic. Considering its proximity to densely populated areas, size and type of aircraft allowed should be limited. If allowed at all, jet traffic should not be increased. The airport should do everything possible to encourage the transition to electric aircraft.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 10:44 AM

Keep it as it is The open space around the area is great. Traffic is already tough through our neighborhood because of people using this road as a shortcut. It's dangerous for runners, bikers and our children who use this road. I do not want to see this area developed as it would make the land we purchased here much more dangerous and significantly less valuable.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 10:51 AM

I'd like to see the airport continue and lean into its historic role as an incubator of a diverse program of small-scale aviation, while continuing its long-standing purpose as an operations center in case of emergencies such as fires and floods that affect the city.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 11:15 AM

Primarily left alone. Try to change the fuel away from lead based fuel. Police the flight patterns and enforce them.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 11:24 AM

A place where folks from the community are free to fly recreationally. Additionally, a place where student pilots can go to learn how to be great safe pilots.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 12:12 PM

A place where various types of aircraft can operate safely.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 01:32 PM

Boulder is a unique city and the airport reflects that. We have a lot of general aviation and glider operations I participate in which help grow aviation. We also have business aviation bringing small airplanes in. We don't want to inhibit the airport operations or it will affect city business and the economy.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 01:43 PM

I think having our small airport is a treasure to the city especially with the future of travel. We lose the capability to have this land be an important non roadway travel hub especially for electric vtol craft that may be the future of travel

Anonymous

4/19/2023 03:08 PM

Great local resource. Many people from out-of-town fly into the airport to avail themselves of Boulder's amenities. Glider rides are popular.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 03:33 PM

In general I like the current use and configuration of the airport.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 05:12 PM

Airport is essential to economic success of town

Anonymous

4/19/2023 06:46 PM

Closure. Boulder Municipal Airport is NOT a Community Service. It is an economic benefit for less than 1% of the population

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:46 PM

Please don't build condos there or allow private jets. I like the simplicity of it now. Please no more industrial development, redevelop or inspire business that would benefit the neighborhood of Gunbarrel and the people that live there.

Anonymous

4/19/2023 08:54 PM

Continue in operation as is

Anonymous

Major growth and expansion

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4/19/2023 10:07 PM

Anonymous

4/20/2023 07:26 AM

I would like to see Boulder Municipal Airport returned to its former glory. In years past, the airport was a hub of transportation and community. A shockingly diverse group (I would argue more diverse than anywhere in the city, other than maybe the University) from all over the country would gather to collectively to form a community of aviators reveling in the this beloved tradition that spans back over a century. Aviators would participate in community events, competitions, introductions to flight, and historical learning events, all funded by themselves but built to spread community. The community consisted of every type of aviator, including but not limited to, helicopter, fixed wing, both jet and propeller driven, and glider (I am not a glider pilot, but I gather that we have one of the world's most premier "soaring" locations), ultralight pilots, even skydivers. This community was, and is, made up of every type of person, regardless of race, gender, orientation, creed, religion, disability, or any other otherwise dividing factor. The only barriers to entry into the aviation community are a love of aviation and the desire to improve one's abilities. Unfortunately, decades of misguided regulations and unfounded prosecution have reduced the airports vitality to the most dedicated. It has not reduced those who would fly regardless, instead, it has reduced the outreach of the community. No longer, or at least less so, are there "Airport Days": festivals to celebrate this tradition and bring its joy to others in the community. Rather now, you have the die-hard pilots that can and will fly as often as able. At one time, business boomed at the airport. Not only were there many businesses on the airport itself, catering to the aviation industry, which were very vital. But there was also a huge passthrough benefit. The ease of flying into Boulder and passing on to businesses in the city was heavily utilized and a powerful benefit to the economy in Boulder. Due to regulation, disrepair, and lack of community, this passthrough business has been slowly leached, or more accurately pushed, to Broomfield with Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport. And do not mistake this to still benefit the city of Boulder; business has and will follow to Broomfield ("Why drive to Boulder when I can do this in Broomfield", they will say). You can see this trend in untold number of small towns throughout the mid-west, that die as small airports are pushed out to more consolidated large airports. This also has a rarely thought of safety and environmental impact as well. Safety, as the General Aviation (GA) has a shockingly excellent track record, when you compare the flights per accident rate, vs something like that of driving, or even that of larger commercial operations. It is rarely thought of, but the environmental impact cannot be understated. GA flights are notably less impactful to the environment than large commercial aircraft, in that of carbon emissions and use of fossil fuels, even more so when you account for the ground transportation involved to get to and from Denver International Airport

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(even with the toll road). If Boulder Airport was large enough to accommodate, this could even be expanded to mountain traffic, people going up to Vail or such to ski and recreate. But this could only be accomplished with increased land, funding, de-regulation, and community. I beg you not to make the mistake of thinking of the airport as expendable, and the community as passing on. The flight school thrives, and pilots are more needed now than ever. This was and could be again a hub of all the best things about Boulder city, but if the powers that be cave to the misguided complaints of the people that came long after the aviation community and the airport itself, it can only do damage to Boulder, and not one thing positive. Instead, press forward. Drive the community, economy, and innovation that would be inherent in pumping vitality into the airport. Funding to bring the facilities into the modern era, city sponsored events to increase the community and awareness of this noble tradition, grants for projects to expand, in whatever way, reducing the pricing of the fuel, and de-regulation of each facet of the industry as a whole will only benefit the community and city of Boulder as a whole. Do not cowardly shy away from aviation, as aviation will never truly go away, but rather embrace it and let it pull Boulder forward as a whole.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 08:04 AM

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Anonymous

4/20/2023 08:26 AM

A nice public restaurant with view of the runway. Continued support for primary pilot training critical for commercial, scientific, search and rescue, and environmental research. Continued support for general aviation participants (powered aircraft, light aircraft, gliders, parachutist) that have utilized BDU for training and recreation for decades. I would like to see a thoughtful and transparent deliberative planning process between city planners and the primary stakeholders, both aviation and general community members.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 08:34 AM

Would like to see the airport become more welcoming and connected to the community and make diverse forms of recreational and educational aviation such as flight instruction, gliders, skydiving, ultralights and experimental available to everyone, while maintaining capacity for emergency response and business/scientific aviation

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uses. A restaurant and/or park facilities would be nice as well.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 08:54 AM

We need to keep the airport operational to sustain the science research in our community

Anonymous

4/20/2023 09:18 AM

Boulder municipal airport should continue to be a "small town" airport where citizens and visitors can learn to fly and to aviate in our beautiful countryside. The mix of various forms of aviation is important to maintaining the vibrant flying community.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 09:31 AM

When I first visited Boulder in 1982 from Washington DC, I glided with a friend and flew a in a Cessna 182 with a different friend up to Saratoga WY. These epic experiences opened me up to the unique and special place that Boulder is. They were vital in my decision to moving here permanently, where I met my wife and started a family. I firmly believe that zero changes need to be made to the airport except for necessary safety upgrades. Gliding, even if you are not in the aircraft, is a magical thing to behold - no noise or emissions (once detached from the tow plane) and is an integral differentiator that can never be replaced if taken away.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 09:43 AM

#1 is the elimination of the current services provided by the airport as they are polluting (noise and air, including lead pollution from leaded aviation fuel), not to mention unsustainable in regards to climate change (using a gas-powered vehicle for recreation or limited passenger transportation and/or to launch a glider so the affluent can have a hobby/thrill-seeking adventure). The new vision is a community that is in alignment with climate action plans/goals and that provides affordable housing for those who are among the 60,000 plus daily in-commuters (including housing for the many City of Boulder employees who can't afford to live here but should be valued as members of the community that they serve!). This community would be mixed use with a well thought out plan to minimize car-based transportation and maximize mobility by bike/scooter/public transportation by connecting it with existing multi-use and RTD infrastructure.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 10:00 AM

A place for all types of aviation enthusiasts to have a relaxed and fun place to fly their ultralight, light aircraft, gliders, and general aviation. I'd like to see the small nature of the airport maintained for unrestricted personal and community use. One of the most important parts of Boulder's community imo.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 10:19 AM

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Anonymous

4/20/2023 10:59 AM

This airport serves mission critical safety for evacuation and fire. It is essential to maintain this important aspect of our community.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 11:40 AM

I believe that our community is better for having the airport at its current size and location. I believe the level/amount of civil and commercial aviation that it supports can give local access to viable careers for the local community. In addition the constant visibility of aviation and the related activities can foster the "If I can see, I can be it" effect for aviation careers. Going forward, city or county investment in pathways to these careers could very easily leverage the current airport infrastructure and surrounding businesses to promote entry into this industry.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 11:56 AM

I envision the airport as a special purpose park that supports many types of aerial activities both recreational and educational. The infrastructure and activities should (and currently do) reflect the sporting and adventurous nature of Boulder with aviation infrastructure that supports and encourages gliders, experimental aircraft, personal/family transportation, training, acrobatics, medivac, and forest fire mitigation. Additionally, electric self-launch gliders and tow-planes should be deployed in the next decade to help mitigate noise. I think this vision will happen with little intervention to the airport or it's operators purely through technological advances that are occurring now with electric aviation. Boulder Municipal Airport is truly a gem in Boulder's crown that has the side benefit of being an extremely powerful tool for disaster relief during both flooding and forest fires.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 01:39 PM

Hub for innovation: Bio-fuels, electric aircraft for training, facilities for training in mechanical and metalworking skills, more hangars, improved terminal with dedicated youth aviation programs.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 01:44 PM

This airport is vital to our community it brings people together and inspires and educates future aviators. It trains volunteers for search and rescue. So much benefit to the community starts here but don't realize it. Maybe communication could improve? This airport is so important - it would be devastating to lose it.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 01:51 PM

A lovely new neighborhood with affordable housing, plenty of transport to all parts of Boulder, mixed-use (stores, cafes, artists' studios, etc.) with plenty of walkways and green space.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 06:56 PM

future hub for EVTOL and urban mobility

Anonymous

4/20/2023 07:40 PM

A thriving airport with plentiful and high quality education programs, aviation-related businesses, and a place that inspires young people to pursue outstanding stem-related careers related to aerospace technology, aviation, space exploration, and more.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 07:52 PM

I imagine it would be open for anyone who wants to use it to fly their aircraft or other sky activities.

Anonymous

4/20/2023 09:07 PM

Aviation has played a large part in US history. It is important to have local airports that can support flight training, non-commercial (general) aviation, business aviation, recreational aviation etc. One example is gliding. Gliding (soaring) has been taking place at the Boulder Municipal Airport since 1959. The Soaring Society of Boulder is one of the most important and successful gliding clubs in the country and the world. Many records have been made from the Boulder airport. One vision for the airport would be to enhance the airport for glider use. Currently the glider operations cannot have hangers for the aircraft (gliders). Airport improvements could change that situation. In general there is a shortage of hangers at the airport (for powered aircraft) this could be enhanced. Improvements to the infrastructure can make the airport even more economically important than it currently is (and it is economically important). The country needs trained pilots. There is a current shortage. Flight schools are important in ensuring more young people have an opportunity to enter the aviation field and become pilots. It is important to keep flight training activities in Boulder. Aircraft design is constantly improving. Electric power is becoming more important. With the appropriate support, Boulder Municipal Airport can play a part in the increased environmental sustainability of aviation. All too often cities and communities do not support their local airports. They take short sighted visions to repurpose the land. Once that is done - it is done

forever. Just like if you turn park land into developments - the park is then gone forever. A longer term vision recognizes the importance of aviation to the community, the City, the County, the State and the Country and invests in that long term (and sustainable) future, by investing in the local airport. The federal government recognizes how important this is - which is why there are so many federal grants available to support airport improvements. In recent years the Boulder Municipal Airport has been an important base for disaster recovery efforts (flood, fire). Medical helicopters use the airport. US Presidents have used the airport. These are just a few examples of how important the airport is and how its continued support is important to the community.

Anonymous

4/21/2023 08:30 AM

I would not be opposed to closing the airport .There are 3 airports close by. I lived in Superior CO and dealt with the noise ,low flying aircraft , corporate jets, flight schools, arrogance of management of Rocky Mountain airport. I finally had enough and moved back To Boulder. I can go on and on about Rocky Mountain airport, apathy of the FAA and noise and safety complaints. I heard mention of corporate jets and flight Scool and Boulder airport absolutely not!

Anonymous

4/21/2023 09:20 AM

The airport has thrived as a community airport and should even more in the future. The airport is inclusive of many forms of aviation, and should endeavor to continue to do so in a progressive, environmentally sustainable, inclusive fashion.

Anonymous

4/21/2023 10:07 AM

The airport is an important asset for the city and county. It is important during fire fighting operations, it was a haven for evacuees during the floods. Don't build housing here. Keep it as a buffer between the city and county.

Anonymous

4/21/2023 10:56 AM

I see the future of Boulder Airport to continue much as it has over the past decades. "If it ain't broke, don't try to fix it". It is an important element of the community and serves many purposes from gliding and other recreational aviation, to business and scientific aviation, to emergency assistance such as fire fighting, etc. The people's voices yelling that the "sky is falling" are simply wrong. Airport users have come a long way toward mitigating noise and other objectionable complaints.

Anonymous

4/21/2023 12:43 PM

leave it as is. dont increase motor plane traffic, definitely no commercial use. no more noise pollution.



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<p>Anonymous 4/21/2023 05:02 PM</p>	<p>I envision Boulder Airport continuing to provide us with a beautiful location to enjoy the sport of aviation from its lens. It is a very unique location for our Airport with a great deal of charm.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/21/2023 05:15 PM</p>	<p>Boulder KBDU needs to remain open as an economic artery to the community with infrastructure improvements. Once an airport is closed down and redeveloped, a community can never have an airport again in this day and age. They are gone forever. Neighboring NIMBY homeowners and greedy developers such as Markel Homes only take a short-term view of the consequences of closing an airport. There are already very few non-towered Front Range airports in the area (specifically, Longmont and Erie) which cannot alone meet the needs of the local community if KBDU were to be shuttered.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/21/2023 05:17 PM</p>	<p>They should be open to businesses who want to run operations through it. It allows economic and airport growth.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/21/2023 06:29 PM</p>	<p>Fostering aviation and recreation.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/21/2023 11:02 PM</p>	<p>An airport where all kinds of aviation coexist and thrive.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/22/2023 06:12 AM</p>	<p>My vision for Boulder Municipal Airport is to have go about our days without having to defend the noise we make and not admit to residents that that's us. The airport was where I once received my livable income. It was the place where I gained all of my knowledge, skills, and experience that I use today in my career as an airline pilot. With the ongoing pilot shortage, I vision Boulder to grow in the flight training department allowing the next generation of local pilots to have the same experiences I did. I vision the airport to maintain its glider operations being the word class glider port it is. I couldn't imagine taking that away as Boulder is unlike anywhere else in the world. My vision for the airport is to be governed correctly and not have some crook come in and try to "fix" something that's not broke. The safety record at Boulder Airport in the past decade is impeccable. It seems that the current airport manager is against the airport, against the people, and acts more like a dictator. A manager should be a leader in the community and be fore the aviation people and society. My vision is not to use the land for anything else other than what it's currently used for. That's what I vision</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>Continued usage for recreation and commerce</p>

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4/22/2023 06:33 AM

Anonymous

4/22/2023 10:00 AM

No leaded fuel at all. It is a health hazard for those of us who live under the flight paths. They should do a better job of not flying over houses. We would also prefer they fly at higher altitudes- often they fly really low over our homes and it's noisy. I'm a (not current) glider pilot so I support it's existence, but I think it's currently a nuisance without better flight path governance of approach and takeoff patterns. Ideally it would be moved further outside of town.

Anonymous

4/22/2023 11:19 AM

It should remain an airport.

Anonymous

4/22/2023 12:43 PM

The land should be put to good use so that the most people can benefit, whether that means from low-income housing, open-space, or a combination of ways. It should not be reserved for the small part of the population that can pay to use its services.

Anonymous

4/22/2023 01:29 PM

Keep as a community airport. Addition to education opportunities for children/adults (museum, hands on learning about flight, space flight, and jobs in the aviation field) .

Anonymous

4/22/2023 06:39 PM

I hear airport noise quite frequently here in Gunbarrel. Large hangers for more jets and a tower will only increase the noise - I am not in favor. I LOVE the gliders and have taken a ride in one. What a great place to do so in beautiful Boulder. I love the prospect of electric, self-launching sailplanes and electric towplanes too which are significantly quieter than ICE aircraft.

Anonymous

4/22/2023 07:53 PM

I see the airport continuing its role as an important part of the city's transportation infrastructure. It directly supports aviation businesses and research facilities, and people use it to visit the city and to do business here. The airport is valuable as a base for emergency response, and it supports recreational aviation and the associated businesses. The airport is in an ideal location near an industrial park, away from most of the population of the city but close enough for convenient access. Most of the other ideas for use of the land would not fit well there or would need significant road improvements to make work. Boulder should continue to support its airport and make investments to increase the airport's value to the city. Thank you.

Anonymous

4/23/2023 06:17 AM

Protect and grow glider operations.

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Anonymous

4/23/2023 08:07 AM

I don't think Boulder needs an airport this close to the center of town. It seems the airport serves very few and those few for pleasure, not transportation. It is an incredible amount of land that serves only the privileged few and crates a lot of noise pollution in doing so.

Anonymous

4/23/2023 10:16 AM

Leave it as it is with continued support for aviation. Large open areas like the airports are important for our environment. The business and safety support provided by the airport are essential

Anonymous

4/23/2023 10:29 AM

Recreational aviation, Pilot training grounds, Inspiring future aviation and new generations

Anonymous

4/23/2023 01:45 PM

limited flights, no glider tower flights, way toooooo noisy for the neighborhoods the flight path is near, no leaded fuel.

Anonymous

4/23/2023 06:32 PM

Serving as an innovative leader and model in how local airports can function efficiently and responsibly

Anonymous

4/24/2023 08:02 AM

To offer an airport that is used for recreational and potentially small commercial use allowing for economic growth and development.

Anonymous

4/24/2023 10:08 AM

The airport should remain a vital community asset. It has historically contributed in many ways, with many gaining their aviation training at the airport -- including university students who went on to careers either in aviation directly, or in science, engineering, etc. The airport has made contributions to science through NCAR/UCAR-related and other programs. Our aviators have competed successfully at national and international levels. I see this as continuing. At the same time, I would not want to see any attempts to morph it into what it can never be -- i.e., a larger, towered airport. We already have several of these that are near enough. Like Boulder itself, the airport should strive to maintain at least something of its smaller feel. Having lived in Boulder since 1971, I understand that change is inevitable, but it is not inevitable that Boulder simply lose all of its local charm, one part of which is its smallish airport that accommodates a variety of creative aviation activities.

Anonymous

4/24/2023 11:59 AM

Be a place for future recreational and business activities. Introduce youth to aviation, train pilots.

Anonymous

4/24/2023 06:43 PM

I enjoy having the airport there and want to see it continue to thrive. There's always room for increased safety.

Anonymous

4/24/2023 09:21 PM

BDU can be a space to increase aviation education, and allow many people to find prospective career paths. As the number 1 glider trainer airport in Colorado and a big hub for practicing student operations, I hope that BDU will gear towards this and allow this access for years to come.

Anonymous

4/25/2023 10:38 AM

Continue to operate as a resource to the community

Anonymous

4/25/2023 11:45 AM

I hope to see the Boulder Municipal Airport serve as a hub for commercial and private transportation innovation in the pursuit of sustainable and economically inclusive solutions. Boulder County has an area of 470,000 acres; the 160 acres of the Boulder Municipal Airport, although within the city, represent a minuscule fraction of this area. If land for commercial/residential/etc development is essential to future growth, perhaps the city and county can work together to achieve these ends while preserving key infrastructure. Closing the airport to achieve such ends seems very short-sighted; however I'm sure most real estate developers would disagree.

Anonymous

4/25/2023 03:38 PM

provide affordable and middle housing to increase the density and accessibility to living in Boulder. Transportation should be considered as well

Anonymous

4/25/2023 07:02 PM

Provide a nice safe place for planes to arrive and take off. We need this airport.

Anonymous

4/26/2023 08:48 AM

Don't change anything

Anonymous

4/26/2023 10:23 AM

I think now is the time to consider the path toward decommissioning and repurposing the airport. Though I understand that some people value this amenity, our priorities give strong indicators toward using this as affordable and middle-income housing opportunities with some mixed use.

Anonymous

Question 2 is impossible

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4/26/2023 11:09 AM

Anonymous

N/a

4/26/2023 11:28 AM

Anonymous

None of these questions address the critical role of the airport for wildfire and flood operations or for medical evacuation. Those are the most critical roles for the airport and the primary reason to preserve it. The failure to include those functions in this survey make the survey incomplete and invalid.

4/26/2023 11:43 AM

Anonymous

Continued operations for emergency response like wildfires and for medical flights and gliders and recreation and training and commerce

4/26/2023 12:00 PM

Anonymous

A new neighborhood with diverse housing types, including for sale options and neighborhood serving retail.

4/26/2023 12:18 PM

Anonymous

Keeping an operational airport in closer proximity to the general Boulder location is a priority because DIA is difficult to access from Boulder, and I would like to see this airport expanded to include greater capacity for flights, business opportunities, and connections.

4/26/2023 01:22 PM

Anonymous

A third (downtown and 29th st. being 1 and 2) city center for people to live, work, and recreate.

4/26/2023 01:58 PM

Anonymous

If the airport stays we need to limit the number of flights. So many pilots buzz the nearby neighborhood and the noise pollution is just terrible. Strictly enforce flight patterns that do not go over neighborhoods. If the land is redeveloped, make it mixed use so that everyone living there does not have to get in a car to do anything.

4/26/2023 01:59 PM

Anonymous

I live in Vista Village mobile home park right next to the airport and was unable to attend the first session that was held there. The only benefit to the community that I see the airport having is for emergency services, such as a refuel station for wildfire fighting aircraft. I would be interested in knowing the details of how vital services such as that rely on the airport. Every time I am up there it is completely empty except for the hobbyists who own planes for fun. My taxes pay for that. About once a week on average there are very loud aircraft that can be a nuisance and add to noise pollution. Not to mention concerns about other types of pollutants that have been bought up. I would also be interested in knowing how many people who

4/26/2023 02:56 PM

responded to this questionnaire said they use the airport on a regular basis. I'll bet it's not very many. The airport should be repurposed for desperately needed affordable housing. Dare I write it, manufactured housing, which would serve as a real asset that the city would not even need to subsidize. If the modular housing factory that has been proposed on East Arapahoe is built, then there would be a way to build the needed volume of manufactured housing just down the road. Whenever adding manufactured housing stock is mentioned the usual Boulder prejudice and stigma of trailer trash kicks in to the so-called equity-minded city. I am admittedly being overly sarcastic on that point. However I have noticed a long time pushback against manufactured housing being added to the city. The main cautionary concern to repurposing the vast city owned land at the airport for new housing is the traffic concerns. Airport Road has only one outlet. If vast amounts of housing were to be added it would create a massive amount of new traffic on Airport Road. New outlets connecting to Valmont Road and Independence Road to the north of the airport would have to be added. Otherwise the traffic congestion would be unmanageable and create absolute chaos. Of course the viability of the needed infrastructure (electric, water lines, etc) would also need to be evaluated. I think an important question to ask is: Do the benefits of having that land used as an airport outweigh the benefits of using that land for something else, namely housing? Thanks.

Anonymous

4/26/2023 03:10 PM

If it is not going to be an airport then a diverse community with multi housing, commercial enterprises, the arts!!!! and public transportation, and parks.

Anonymous

4/26/2023 03:44 PM

I think the airport is fine as it is. I support its use for private aircraft, scientific research, and gliding operations. It's a terrible location for housing development -- it's not close to jobs, commerce, entertainment, or recreation. The traffic increase would be tragic for the surrounding streets -- and given its location and access to public transportation, nearly every trip from the airport area, if housing were to be developed, would require the use of a car. Of all of the possible places in Boulder to build additional housing, the airport location is probably the worst. The airport would be a great place for a large emergency shelter. It's obvious that more severe weather events are in our future. And, as the Marshall fire demonstrated very clearly, having emergency housing available is critical. To force thousands of people to scramble for a place to stay when their house is burning to the ground is terribly irresponsible on the part of the local government. If people that are directly impacted by severe weather events -- or any event that forces them from their homes immediately -- knew there was a place nearby where they could stay, they would be able to focus on other urgent matters -- such as the safety of their

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families and pets.

Anonymous

4/26/2023 04:22 PM

I don't think we need one. I'd like to see it turned into an organized campsite for the homeless, accompanied by strict enforcement of the camping ban in all other areas , and accompanied by more severe penalties for camping anywhere outside of the designated campground.

Anonymous

4/26/2023 04:58 PM

Having the airport in town is so important. It's not just great for community recreation and training, it is VITAL for wildfires and emergency response. It could be the difference of life and death in the event of another catastrophic fire like we had (which is bound to happen again). PLEASE DON'T MAKE THE MISTAKE OF CLOSING THE AIRPORT.

Anonymous

4/26/2023 08:15 PM

Forward thinking and engaging to encourage youth to engage in stem and the aviation world

Anonymous

4/26/2023 09:29 PM

We need housing to support environmental goals and to help with our housing shortage. We need neighborhoods with mixed use and denser neighborhoods that keep families in mind. Housing is critical to reducing emissions from commuters who work in Boulder, and this is a prime spot.

Anonymous

4/27/2023 06:55 AM

The Boulder Municipal Airport should be a full-service flight center where aircraft owners, pilots, businesses, students, etc. can utilize all manner of appropriate flight technology and carry out their activities in a safe and modern environment and infrastructure.

Anonymous

4/27/2023 08:28 AM

Continue operations as an airport and glider port.

Anonymous

4/27/2023 09:43 AM

Operations continued for the good of the community. Not having the airport is unthinkable.

Anonymous

4/27/2023 02:04 PM

A community much like the holiday neighborhood, but that is built so it is truly bike friendly and has public transport to grocery stores etc. The area could also be an opportunity to be a hub for commercial space for essential businesses that are being shut out of other Boulder locations. As a commercial zone on the outskirts of the city it could enable other parts of Boulder to be re-zoned to improve

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existing neighborhoods. For example, far North Boulder has a lot of commercial space, which is certainly needed in the city, but it has hampered efforts to make the area a more cohesive place to live and work.

Anonymous

4/27/2023 03:29 PM

I like the airport and think it is a great asset to the city.

Anonymous

4/27/2023 04:05 PM

Would be great to have more housing so Boulder doesn't feel like it's only a place for the elite to have a community. It's seems increasingly hard to find community if you aren't uber wealthy.

Anonymous

4/27/2023 04:12 PM

I would really like the airport to stay as a vital asset to the community. I've witnessed the airport used for saving our community - the wildfires and rescuing students and people from Calwood during the flooding. The US President has flown into this airport. I've lived by the airport for 54 years and enjoy seeing the planes and gliders. It was nice to have the outdoor movies during covid. It unites the community with the Father's Day show and the hangar dances and other activities. I would, however, like to see the flight pattern followed for safety reasons.

KHoskin

4/27/2023 04:12 PM

I would like further research to be done to consider having the airport continue small scale operation on the property AND I think this is a HUGE opportunity to address the missing middle and create housing, a 'la Holiday but even better!

Anonymous

4/28/2023 05:33 AM

Leave it as it is. It has been here a lot longer than the complaining residents of boulder who are not happy with the the airport. The airport is safe and provides a means for flight instruction and recreational flying. The complainers are not happy with any change, still living i the 80's, not happy with any change.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 05:37 AM

Long term sustainability of the airport infrastructure.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 08:55 AM

I'd like it to be left alone. It has its own internal issues (glider ops vs powered ops) but it operates very independently from the rest of the city. The main impetus for change seems to be new residents who are sold homes very close to the airport, and it's not the airport's fault that they're unhappy, it's zoning and developers' faults.



Anonymous

4/28/2023 09:24 AM

I envision Boulder Airport as a model future General Aviation airport for the world, at the forefront of sustainable aviation, research, new technology, and community participation. I would love to see a more open and welcoming airport property that is accessible to all for educational, gathering, and recreational purposes. As a start, I would love to see unleaded fuel, food truck events that appeal to everyone, and flight training scholarships open to Boulder residents, ideally for those living directly adjacent to the airport who could not otherwise afford it.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 09:28 AM

I see no need for changes. Things seem to be fine! Our family enjoys watching the airplanes and gliders.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 09:55 AM

Noise mitigation No additional expansion of airport services

Anonymous

4/28/2023 10:26 AM

Restrictions on type of fuel allowed and engine noise levels. Also planes fly too low over neighborhoods with no regard to sound or the environment. Enforcement and fines for violators.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 10:27 AM

The BMA should close. It is irresponsible to use that land for a hobby that benefits so few while offloading negative significant negative externalities to the entire Boulder population.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 11:12 AM

I would want the airport to WELCOME the trail connection between 61st Street and the Valmont bike park. The Erie Airport has the Coal Creek bike path right along its property lines and I cannot understand why the Boulder Airport has stalled our regional trail connection projects. If the two cannot live in harmony (a trail and an airport), I would vote in favor of the trail over the airport.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 11:30 AM

I think the area should have some reasonably priced multi-unit housing, perhaps some small local businesses and some park or green space. I did enjoy the outdoor theater there during Covid.

Anonymous

4/28/2023 11:52 AM

If stays an airport, the impact on neighborhoods should be better considered. Currently, it appears to be ignored. If becomes housing, a mixture of housing should be considered that families would want to live in. Not just build dense housing for young people that will move out of town as soon as need/want more space.

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<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 12:31 PM</p>	<p>Made into a public doc park</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 12:38 PM</p>	<p>It's a playground for those with means, and affects negatively all other residents by spewing lead and making noise.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 01:18 PM</p>	<p>Focus on supporting local aircraft owners, glider operations, maintenance support, and public service functions such as Civil Air Patrol. Ensure fuel and services are available for emergency and transient aircraft.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 01:52 PM</p>	<p>I would like to see the airport remain exactly as it is today; I see no need for changes.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 02:49 PM</p>	<p>Close it</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 03:00 PM</p>	<p>Leaded aviation fuel is the greatest source of environmental lead pollution currently. Until recently the owners of small piston-driven general aviation aircraft had no choice. But in the last few months the FAA has approved unleaded fuel for these aircraft. Currently unleaded fuel is not produced in large quantities but production is ramping up. Boulder should require that the fixed-base operators at BDU eliminate leaded fuel the instant that it becomes available in quantity. It will cost the pilots more, but damaging the brains of Boulder children should not be an option we give them. This must be done in conjunction with Vance Brand and the other general aviation airports in the area. If not, pilots will just fly to them to fuel up in order to save a few bucks.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 03:24 PM</p>	<p>Please keep gliding</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 04:27 PM</p>	<p>Ban lead spewing, noisy airplanes. It should be an area for all, not just the rich.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 08:22 PM</p>	<p>Continue operating as a small GA airport</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/28/2023 09:32 PM</p>	<p>I would like to keep the airport as it is and find other ways to increase opportunities for more and more affordable housing in Boulder (infill</p>

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development, zoning changes to allow duplexes, triplexes and ADUs in all currently single family zoned neighborhoods, more housing where it can be served by transit and bike infrastructure, etc.

Anonymous

4/29/2023 04:05 AM

A place where I can catch small aircraft commercial service to Régional destinations

Anonymous

4/29/2023 04:53 AM

continue to be available for gliders

Anonymous

4/29/2023 06:43 AM

Leave it as its current function

Anonymous

4/29/2023 07:53 AM

I would like to see better adherence to FAA take-off / landing corridors. I'd like to see a transition away from leaded aviation fuel.

Anonymous

4/29/2023 08:01 AM

I would like to see the airport closed and the land turned into open space, affordable housing, or community solar farms.

Anonymous

4/29/2023 08:34 AM

community airport serving the needs of small aircraft pilots

Anonymous

4/29/2023 08:43 AM

The airport has been in use in Boulder for many many years. My vision is to continue the use and the unique opportunities it provides to the area.

Anonymous

4/29/2023 08:56 AM

Keep it

Anonymous

4/29/2023 10:00 AM

Quite hours. Adjusted no fly zones

Anonymous

4/29/2023 10:30 AM

Right now the airport seems to serve as a recreation area for very few of Boulder's residents. I would love to see the land have greater use than just a small craft airport.

Anonymous

4/29/2023 12:18 PM

Please move east of I-25. It sits in the middle of residential Boulder and is a noise disturbance/polluter.

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<p>Anonymous 4/29/2023 12:44 PM</p>	<p>I see no reason why the very few rich people who use the airport should be able to pollute the environment of an entire city with excessive noise.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/29/2023 02:54 PM</p>	<p>Hub for sustainable and innovative aviation, available for public safety needs. With Boulder becoming its own distinct region and a hub for aerospace (mostly space) innovation, it seems likely this will be a community where electric aviation use cases and demand coincide. Like it or not, we'll also need fire suppression aircraft based locally for the city to survive future wildland fires. Unique microclimates across the region mean BDU might be the only spot that aircraft saving Boulder can fly from when the need arises.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/29/2023 03:37 PM</p>	<p>I like the recreational aspect of the airport. I don't want to see it expanded to supplement private business travel. It should support local people and be conscious of noise pollution.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/29/2023 03:54 PM</p>	<p>The airport is not needed. Move operations to the Longmont and/or Erie airport. Use the Boulder airport for housing and open space.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/29/2023 05:19 PM</p>	<p>Do not expand aviation use. Reduce noise levels in nearby neighborhoods.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/29/2023 10:49 PM</p>	<p>Keep it as a small local airport for small aircraft.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/30/2023 07:46 AM</p>	<p>Eliminate and/or minimize aircraft noise and leaded fuel pollution that surrounding area is subjected to.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/30/2023 08:12 AM</p>	<p>I would like to see the airport decommissioned so that a residential pedestrian district can be built that is compact, walkable, highly-socially connected, diverse, and affordable. Boulder needs to work towards its climate action goals by providing housing that allows people to live with a much smaller carbon footprint.</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/30/2023 08:23 AM</p>	<p>A thriving municipal airport that is not over-regulated</p>
<p>Anonymous 4/30/2023 08:53 AM</p>	<p>I would like for the airport to be maintained or converted to open space. I'm strictly opposed to housing development.</p>

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Anonymous

4/30/2023 08:57 AM

Actually adhere to regulations. There are constant flights and circling over residential areas outside of quiet hours and under 1000 feet.

Anonymous

4/30/2023 08:59 AM

A complete neighborhood, with a variety of housing types (both for sale and rent), included child and dog play areas, connected to town via easy/low stress bike networks and bus service. Implement parking maximums (like Boulder Junction) — we need transit rich areas not more cars.

Anonymous

4/30/2023 09:14 AM

No changes.

Anonymous

4/30/2023 10:08 AM

no helicopters after dark. i think housing would be great - but only if it is served by a frequent bus service (30th st also needs more bus service - the bound is not enough)

Anonymous

4/30/2023 10:20 AM

I would like to see the hours of operation diminished. It's very noisy.

Anonymous

4/30/2023 10:49 AM

I would like the airport to move to an area of lower density. The noise level and frequency of flights has increased significantly, negatively impacting my neighborhood. This morning, a Sunday, the flights overhead have been at least every 10 minutes. There hasn't been any sustained quiet.

Anonymous

4/30/2023 11:44 AM

Social housing. I do not see why we need an airport that contributes so much pollution and noise to our community for the benefit of a small number of people.

Anonymous

4/30/2023 12:30 PM

It would be an excellent location for affordable housing.

Anonymous

4/30/2023 09:41 PM

I started flying out of KBDU in 1997. In 2000 I decided to buy a home in Boulder, rather than one of the other surrounding communities because we have a community airport. When I go to Metro, I am at an impersonal mini-DIA. When I go to Longmont, an airport that tried to be a mini-Metro, I am at a ghost town. When I climb the stairs into the terminal at Boulder, there is a Boulder community feel; KBDU it is such a wonderful place to fly out of. When I am not at our community airport, I still love looking up every day to see gliders on tow with that

tow plane spiraling away after glider release. Even when I'm not at the airport or flying, KBDU enhances my life here in Boulder. Four years ago, my family joined in the partnership that bought Journeys Aviation and Mile High Gliding because we believed in Andrew McKenna's vision for growing the business and increasing the airports engagement with the community. On the business side, we have grown every year, including through the pandemic, and we continue to see growth opportunities today. On the community side, Andrew started an EAA chapter that provides Young Eagles flights and community events at the airport including the Boulder Airport Day. We partner with Wings Over the Rockies, the Civil Air Patrol and Falcon Aerolab, a STEM based program for homeschooled kids centered around flight, to introduce kids to flying through glider flights. And most Fridays in the summer there are burgers on the grill at lunchtime for anyone who happens to be there. On a personal note, I have wanted Journey's to be a leader in bringing unleaded fuel to Boulder. Recently we switched to AvFuel for our fuel contract because of AvFuel's partnership with GAMI, who has the first certified drop-in replacement for 100LL. I believe GAMI's G100UL is the best route to bringing unleaded fuel to Boulder. GAMI is hoping to start distribution in 2024. The distribution will start with some of the larger flight schools such as Embry Riddle, but our AvFuel representative, David Mittleman, lives in Louisville, and considers KBDU his community airport, so he is motivated to help us bring G100UL to KBDU as soon as possible. And we want to bring electric aircraft to Boulder. We are in the process of bringing two Pipistrel light trainers on-line. Pipistrel currently has the only operational electric trainer on the market. It is certified in Europe, and with the operational experience we'll gain by flying their av-gas trainers, we will be positioned to bring them to Boulder as soon as they are certified here. KBDU does need additional revenue. First and foremost, we need to build more hangers. And we definitely need more business development that is compatible with the existing airport environment. Boulder is a wonderful community airport, let's build on that in a way that doesn't disrupt the current operations, especially glider operations. Airplane noise is a real issue. Educating our pilots on the noise abatement procedures is a never-ending priority. And with the specific noise complaint data that has been generated over the past year, Andrew has been able to educate individual pilots on flights that should have been flown differently. The results have been positive. We will continue to be good neighbors and do this. We also ask that the City take seriously the need to expand the airport influence zone to include the area north of Arapahoe under the glider tow box. Does the new development on the northside of Old Tale Road include Avigation Easements? It is right under the glider tow box, so it should; but since it is not in the airport influence zone, it probably does not. Can we fix this? Please make sure before any re-zoning happens in the East Boulder Subcommunity that avigation easements are

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included. I live in the Eisenhower neighborhood just south of Arapahoe, and work at Ball (yes, I get to walk to work!). I am excited about the transformation that the new zoning will enable...the new residents just need to know there is airplane noise. I am proud to be part of our airport community. I believe the Boulder airport is an important part of the Boulder community, and that the airport is something that our City should be proud of and support. Thank you. I hope this process demonstrates the value of our community airport.  
Shane Brown

Anonymous

5/01/2023 07:26 AM

It does not serve the needs of a majority of the Boulder population. It should be replaced with affordable housing and open space.

Anonymous

5/01/2023 07:31 AM

never thought about it

Anonymous

5/01/2023 07:42 AM

Ban leaded aviation fuel. Severe limitations on flight operations. Eliminate pilot training.

Anonymous

5/01/2023 12:30 PM

For it to not be there.

Anonymous

5/01/2023 12:57 PM

I understand that many have a passion for flying as one does for sports or the arts and that Boulder Airport offers convenience and a beautiful view of the Flatirons. However, in the past few years, air traffic has increased. One now sees more touch and goes, plus helicopters and ultralights. This leads to more noise and air pollution and the risk of accidents. I deal with the noise by wearing a noise cancelling headset with music when sitting on my patio. However, if I have a party, the roar from planes can be very annoying. I have seen a few near accidents. There used to be one flight school here. I have heard that now other flight schools especially those at BJC in Broomfield come up here to train the pilots thus the increase in touch and goes. Unfortunately many pilots in the last few years no longer follow the airports good neighbor flying recommendations. This is a large piece of land that serves a small number. It could be used to provide housing for countless members of the Boulder workforce.

Anonymous

5/01/2023 04:44 PM

Manage operations to decrease training grounds, circle flights over open space; ensure that all pilots pay dues / fee to use the airport; minimize / halt all FAA funding to airport so that City can manage it; mandate all pilots carry radar / tracking devices so that above ground level and location can be monitored and fully analyzed to ensure

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compliance with wildlife and noise protection ordinances adopted by the City

Anonymous

5/01/2023 09:37 PM

Thriving as a small airport that is open to the public for recreational visits and education about aviation

Anonymous

5/02/2023 08:04 AM

Continued economic support for the Boulder and Boulder County community. Continued training, research for our community. I am looking forward in the near future for use of unleaded fuel being used at Boulder Airport. I love watching the airplanes take off or land at the Boulder Airport. The Airport is a much needed economical resource for the City of Boulder and Boulder County. It would cost the City of Boulder a lot to pay back the FAA to remove the airport, costs to demolish the well used buildings. We want the Boulder Airport to stay.

Anonymous

5/02/2023 02:27 PM

The way I see it, we subsidize small airports, and most residents use them. It is a small few that have the luxury to own a plane and some that use the airport to recreate. I can see small airports that are remote and it is a necessity that they need this for emergency purposes, not a small airport SO close to the city (actually in the city) that creates more noise and pollution! The noise from small planes flying over to get a closer look at the Flatirons is pollution. And the tow planes are noisy too! I don't think we need to spend any more money to increase the use of small planes near our City. How many people actually use the airport? Let them pay for improvements, they use it. I'd rather have money spent on helping the mentally and for people with substance abuse than for people flying small aircraft.

Anonymous

5/03/2023 09:23 AM

I would like to see options explored that can support continued important operations of airport as well as residential options. would be interested to see if they could both exist together in that area

Anonymous

5/03/2023 10:36 AM

The Airport should continue to provide the many benefits that it has provided for decades. It is a great asset to the community.

Anonymous

5/03/2023 11:22 AM

I would like to see basic General Aviation supported - it is disappearing in too many places.

Anonymous

5/03/2023 11:23 AM

The airport, and its users, would benefit from a method for bi directional communications from the community at large so that there is a healthy dialogue. This communication could foster a sounding

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board to try to meet everyone's needs without heavy handed regulation. As a very occasional user of the airport I'm sure that we could be better neighbors.

Anonymous

5/03/2023 11:41 AM

Commercial flights

Anonymous

5/03/2023 02:53 PM

Safe, low noise, and low pollution from air traffic

Anonymous

5/03/2023 03:34 PM

A place where I can continue to take my child to learn about aviation and "watch the airplanes", enjoy a meal and see the flatirons. It has such an amazing view, we should be trying to protect it as urban density within this town seems to be so highly prioritized

Anonymous

5/03/2023 06:37 PM

Housing

Anonymous

5/04/2023 11:00 AM

Fine as it is. My family has lived in Boulder for over 60 years and airport is integral to our safety

Anonymous

5/04/2023 12:17 PM

The Boulder airport can become a leader in more environmentally friendly aviation and prepare for the future of aviation. The airport could be improved with the three items described below. 1) Unleaded Aviation Fuel Options FAA approved options for unleaded fuel for use by piston aircraft already exist, but are not currently available at the Boulder airport. The airport could be improved to provide these options. The two fuel options are "MoGas" which is 93 octane gasoline that does not contain alcohol (ethanol) and the recently approved G100UL 100 octane fuel. G100UL has been approved by the FAA for use in all spark ignition piston aircraft engines, which is the vast majority of aircraft based at the Boulder airport. "MoGas" has a more limited set of approved engines. Use of either fuel requires a Supplemental Type Certificate to be issued to each aircraft that will use the fuels, which commonly consists of the paperwork verifying the fuel can be used and placards (stickers) to be placed by the fuel tank caps indicating the acceptable use of those fuels. The cost of the STC is typically a one time cost of \$200 to \$500 per aircraft Boulder can encourage the use of unleaded fuels by 1) providing those fuels at the Boulder airport, 2) considering a STC rebate program to aircraft owners who have their aircraft based to offset the cost of the MoGas or G100UL STC, and 3) considering a fuel subsidy for G100UL to make it price equivalent to 100LL (leaded) fuel currently offered. This will encourage the use of those fuels by the aircraft most frequently

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operating at the Boulder airport. If only one unleaded fuel is to be chosen, I would recommend G100UL due to the FAA's universal approval. Over time the use of current 100LL (leaded) aviation fuel can be reduced then likely eliminated at Boulder. I know that when I purchase an airplane I will prefer to use unleaded fuels in it, not only due to the lack of lead but for the likely increase in service life of the engine.

2) Improved/Additional Noise Abatement Informational Signage Noise abatement signage on the airport can be improved. This will inform and encourage all pilots, both those based at Boulder and those passing through to fly friendly. Other local airports have signage at hold short lines visible to pilots in an aircraft that specify noise abatement procedures. As an example: Longmont airport a sign specifies the minimum altitude for beginning a turn after departing runway 11. With aircraft required to hold short prior to taxiing on the runway, this is the perfect place for the signage. Boulder could have signs with the noise abatement instructions for that runway. (Runway 8 departures are very different than Runway 26 for noise.) A more general noise abatement sign could be placed at the common parking lots when pilots (and especially student pilots) arrive at the airport.

3) Electrical Upgrades In Hangars for Future Electric Aircraft and Zero Carbon Electricity Generation Just as we have seen an increase in capabilities of electric cars in the past decade, the future of aviation includes electric aircraft. But like electric cars, this requires a charging infrastructure. The current hangars in Boulder will require upgrades to support future electric aircraft. This will likely require upgraded electrical service to each hangar to support charging multiple aircraft simultaneously. The hangars at the Boulder airport as present an opportunity to offset the energy costs of electric aircraft and the airport in general. The roofs of the hangars are not shaded and are idea for deploying large scale solar panels. This can reduce the carbon footprint of the airport and help move the city towards a zero carbon energy future.

Anonymous

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fewer small and often noisy airplanes often flying low overhead in the Palo Park neighborhood and open space.

Anonymous

5/04/2023 07:14 PM

I wish the city could support a fun restaurant there.

Anonymous

5/04/2023 08:26 PM

Mixed use with light retail, so that the neighborhoods near the airport can be really walkable, not just bike-able.

Anonymous

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A vibrant economic and opportunity hub for commerce, adult and youth aviation education, recreational travel, and science.  
Secondarily standing ready to support relief and rescue efforts in the

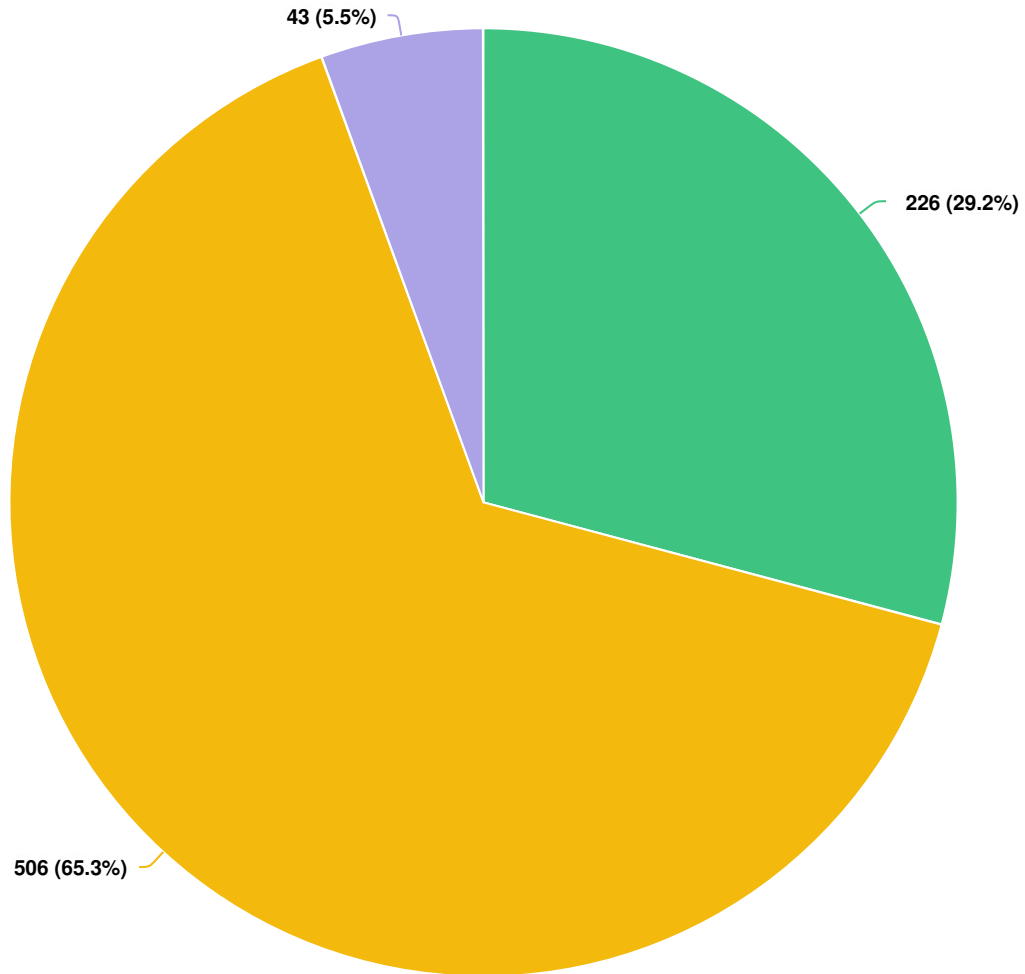
event of a major natural disaster.

**Mandatory Question** (775 response(s))

**Question type:** Essay Question

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**Q8** Does your vision for the future of Boulder Municipal Airport include using airport land for another purpose?



**Question options**

- Yes
- No
- Other (please specify)

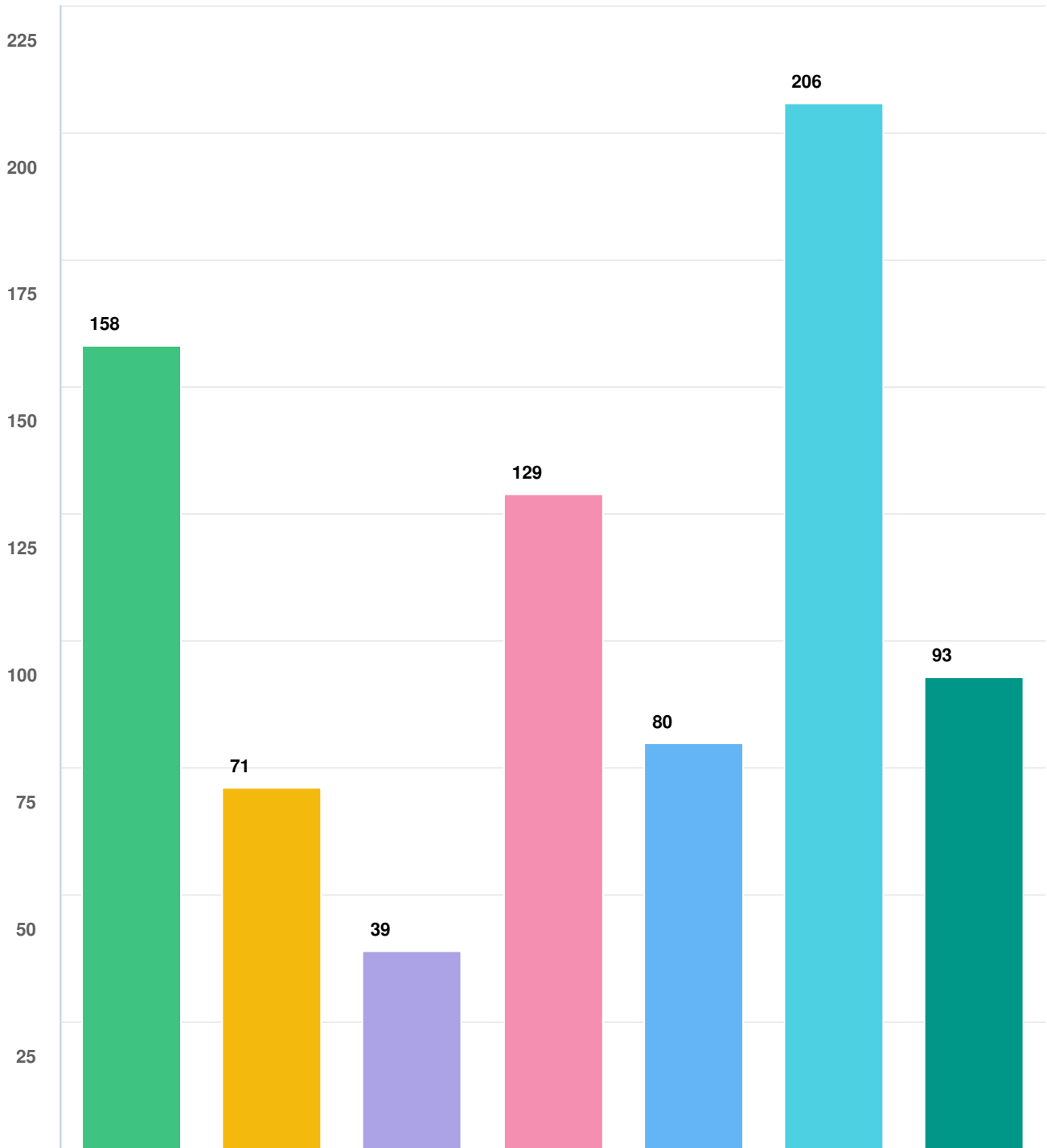
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Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q9** If yes, what uses would you like to see explored at the airport? Select all that apply.



**Question options**

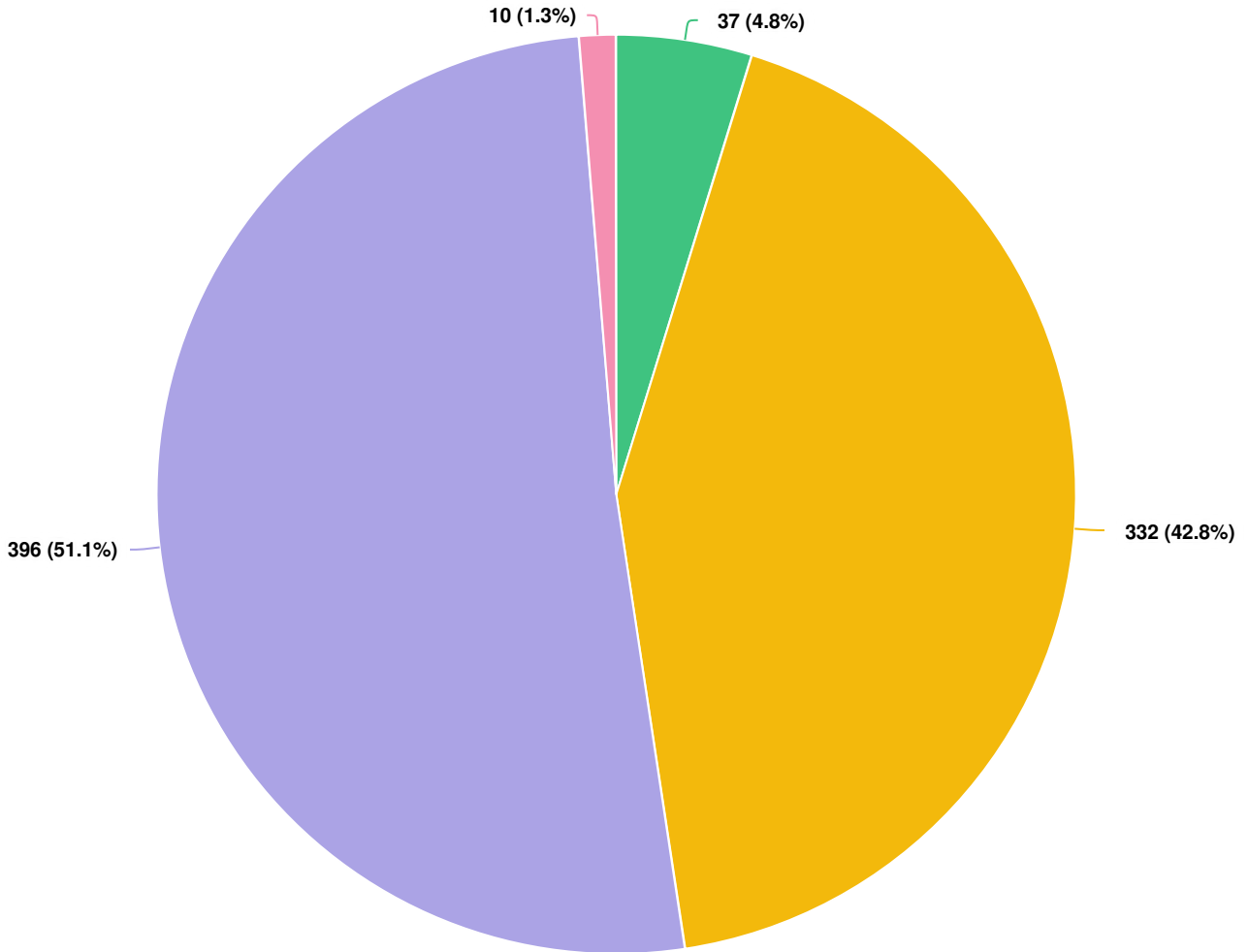
- Residential development
- Commercial development
- Industrial development
- Restaurant/Retail
- Museum
- Park/Open Space
- Other (please specify)

Optional question (347 response(s), 428 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: Where do you live? Central-Boulder-, Crossroads-, East-Boulder--, North-Boulder--, Gunbarrel-, Palo-Park-, South-Boulder-, Southeast-Boulder-, University-of-Colorado-, University-Hill-, Outside-of-the-City-of-Boulder,-in-Boulder-County---

**Q10 | What is your preferred way to participate in the Airport Community Conversation?**



**Question options**

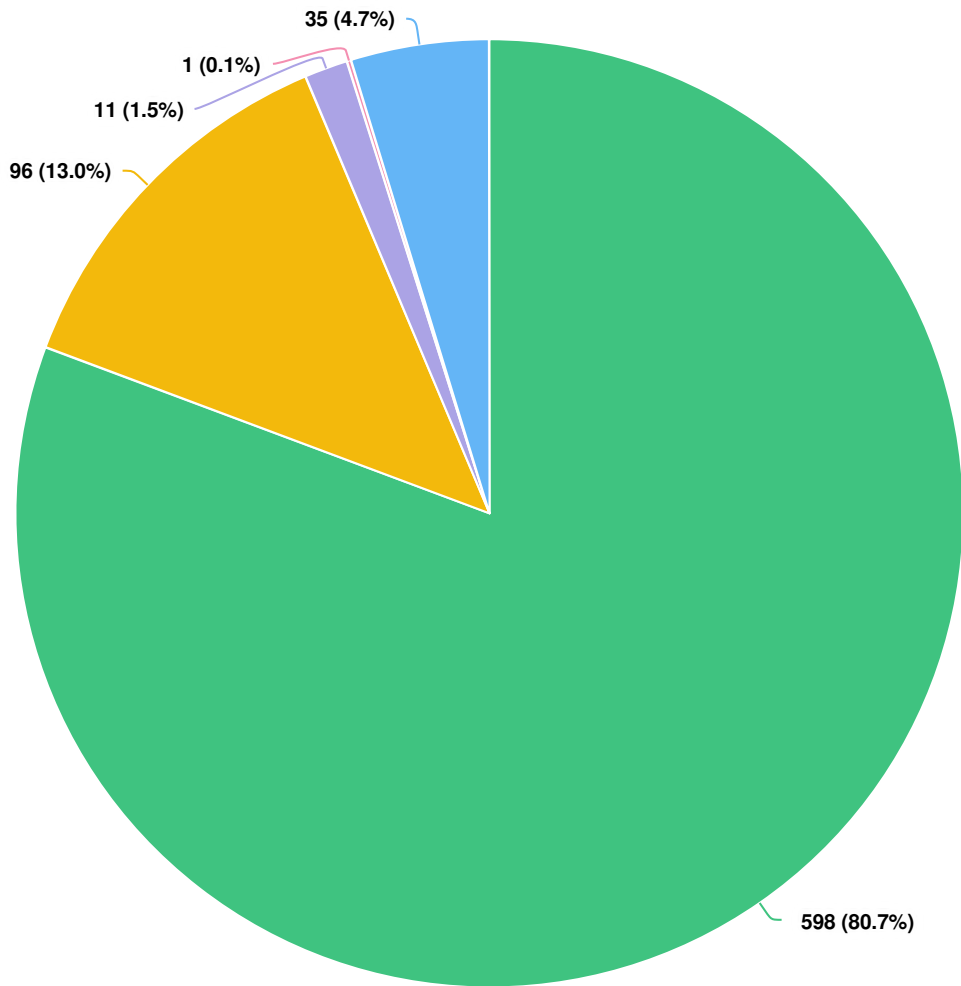
- In-person (via open houses)
- Digitally (via the website and online questionnaires)
- All of the above
- Other (please specify)

Mandatory Question (775 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q11 | Do you own or rent your home?**



**Question options**

- Own
- Rent
- Other
- I do not have stable housing right now
- Prefer not to say

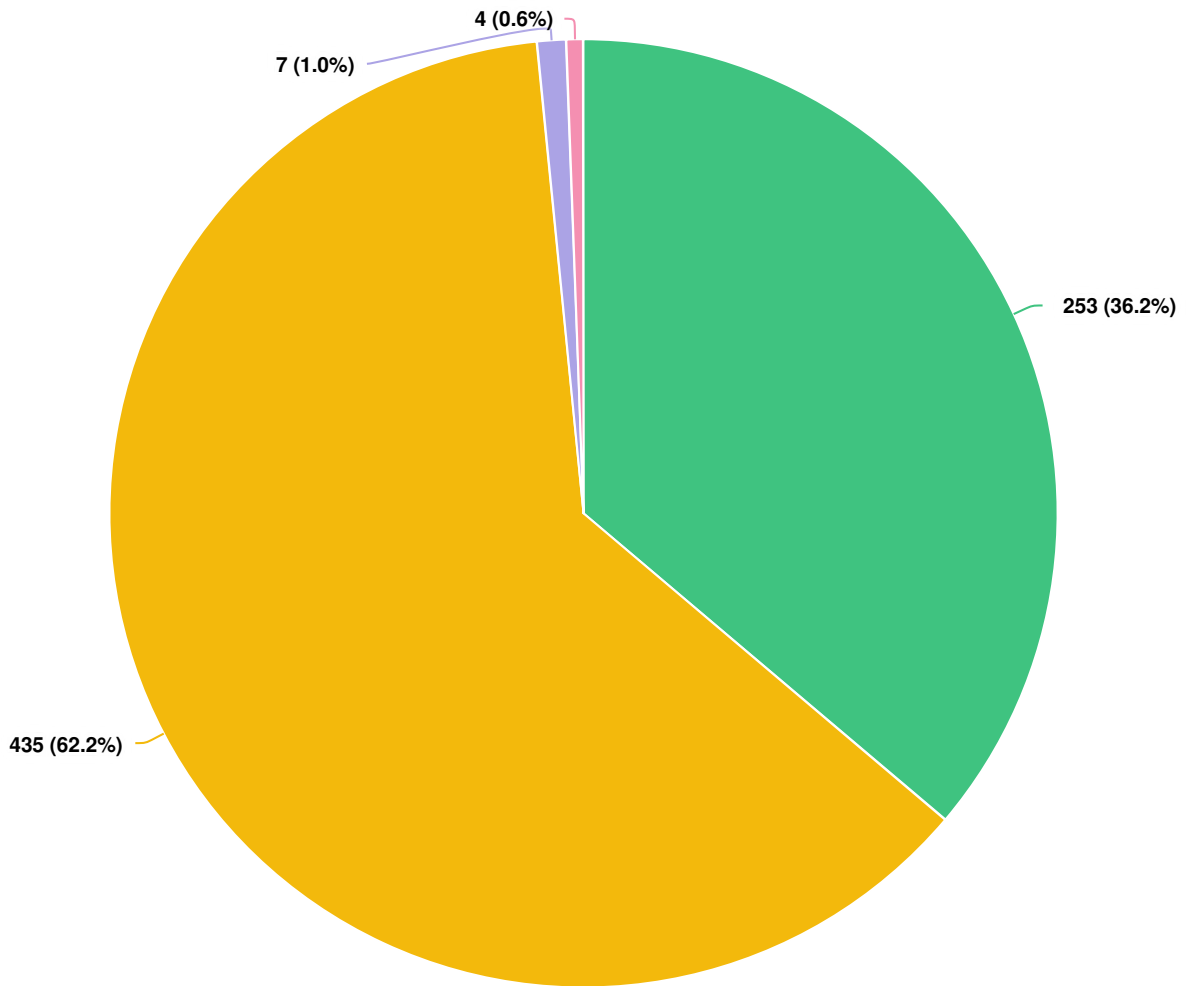
Optional question (741 response(s), 34 skipped)

Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q12 | Sex assigned at birth**



**Question options**

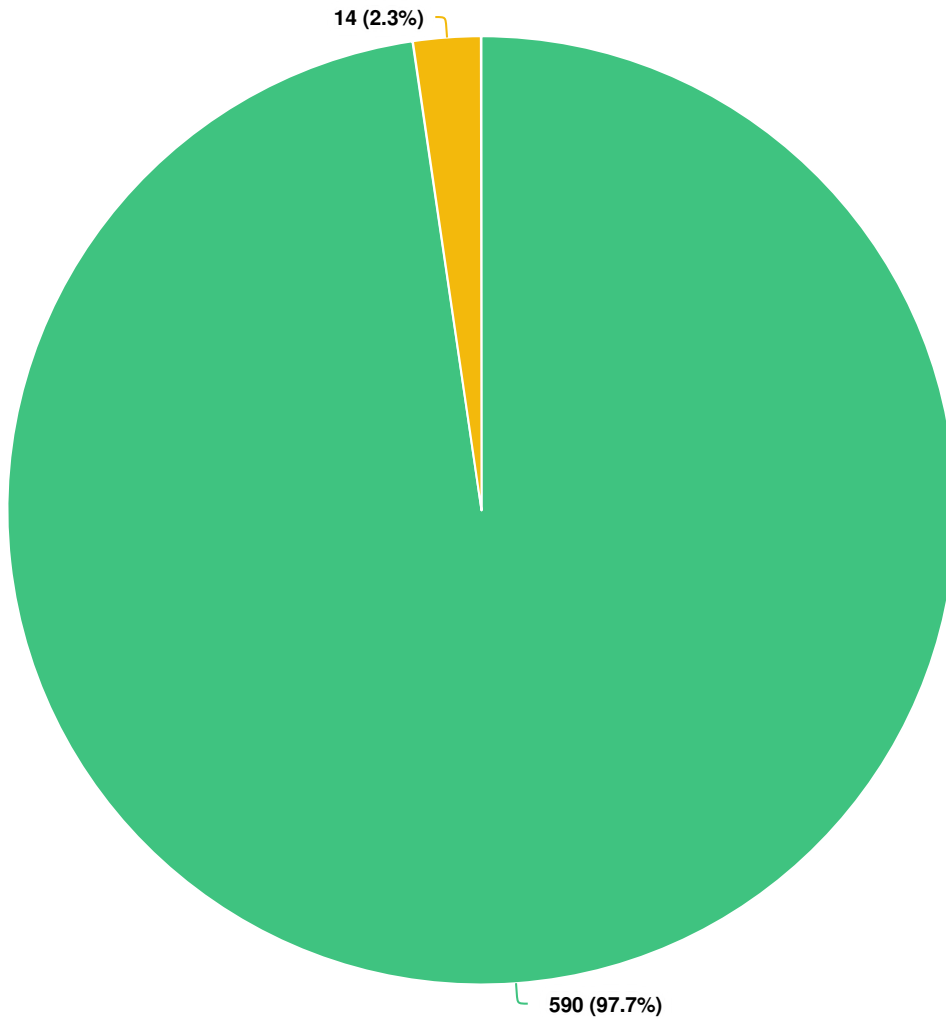
- Female
- Male
- Gender non-conforming
- Intersex

Optional question (699 response(s), 76 skipped)

Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q13 | Gender Identity**



**Question options**

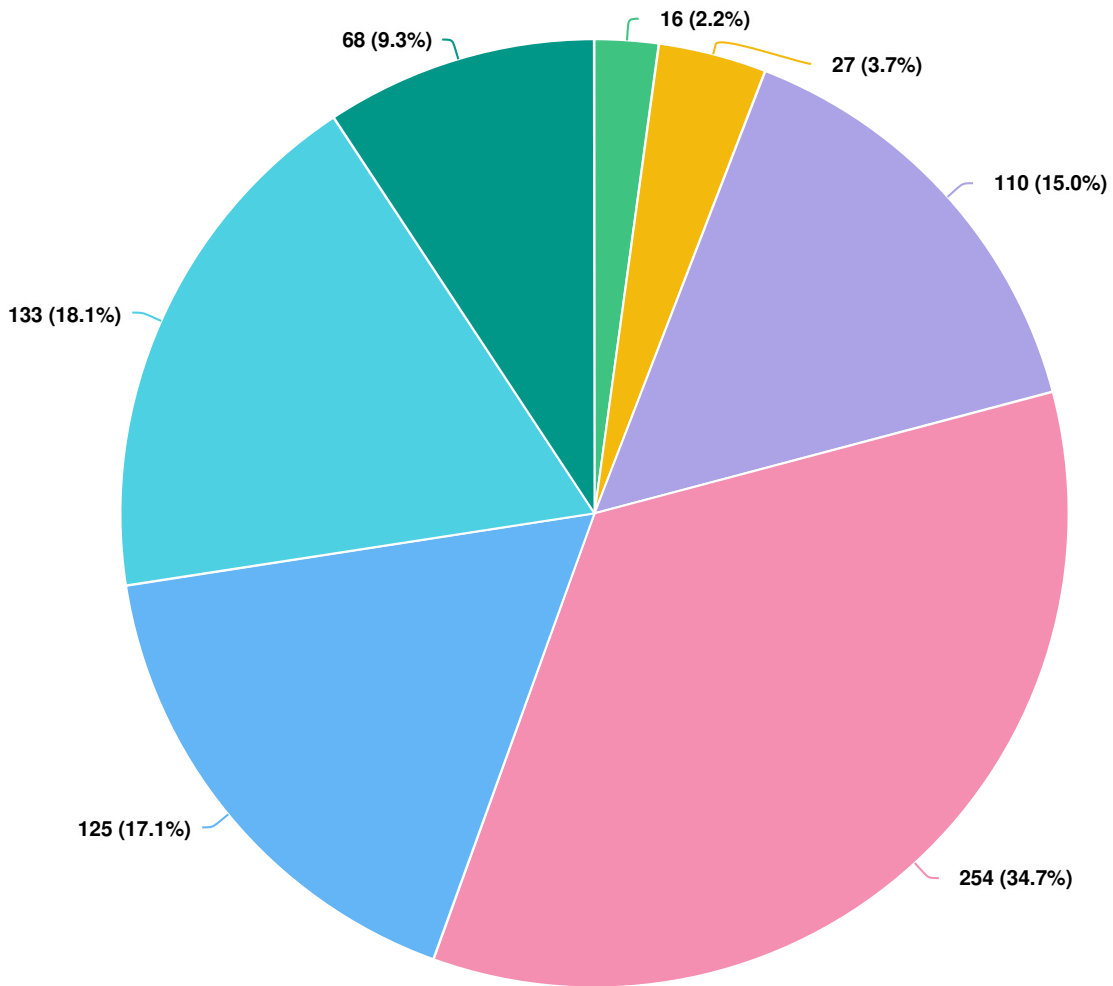
- Cisgender (identifies with assigned gender)
- Transgender (identifies differently than assigned birth gender)

*Optional question (604 response(s), 171 skipped)*

*Question type: Radio Button Question*

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**Q14 | What is your age range?**



**Question options**

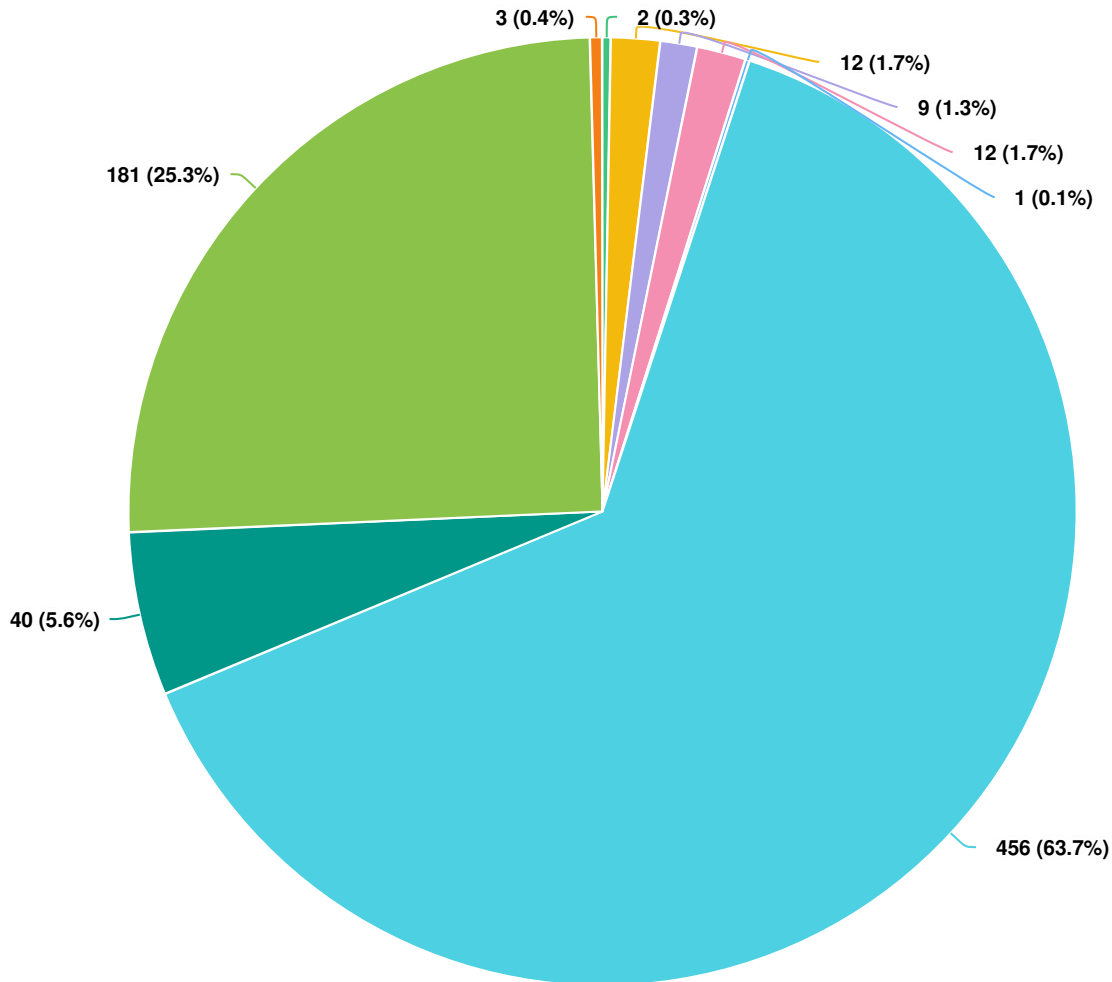
- Under 18
- 18 to 24
- 25 to 34
- 35 to 54
- 55 to 64
- 65 and over
- I prefer not to say

Optional question (733 response(s), 42 skipped)

Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q15** Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most?



**Question options**

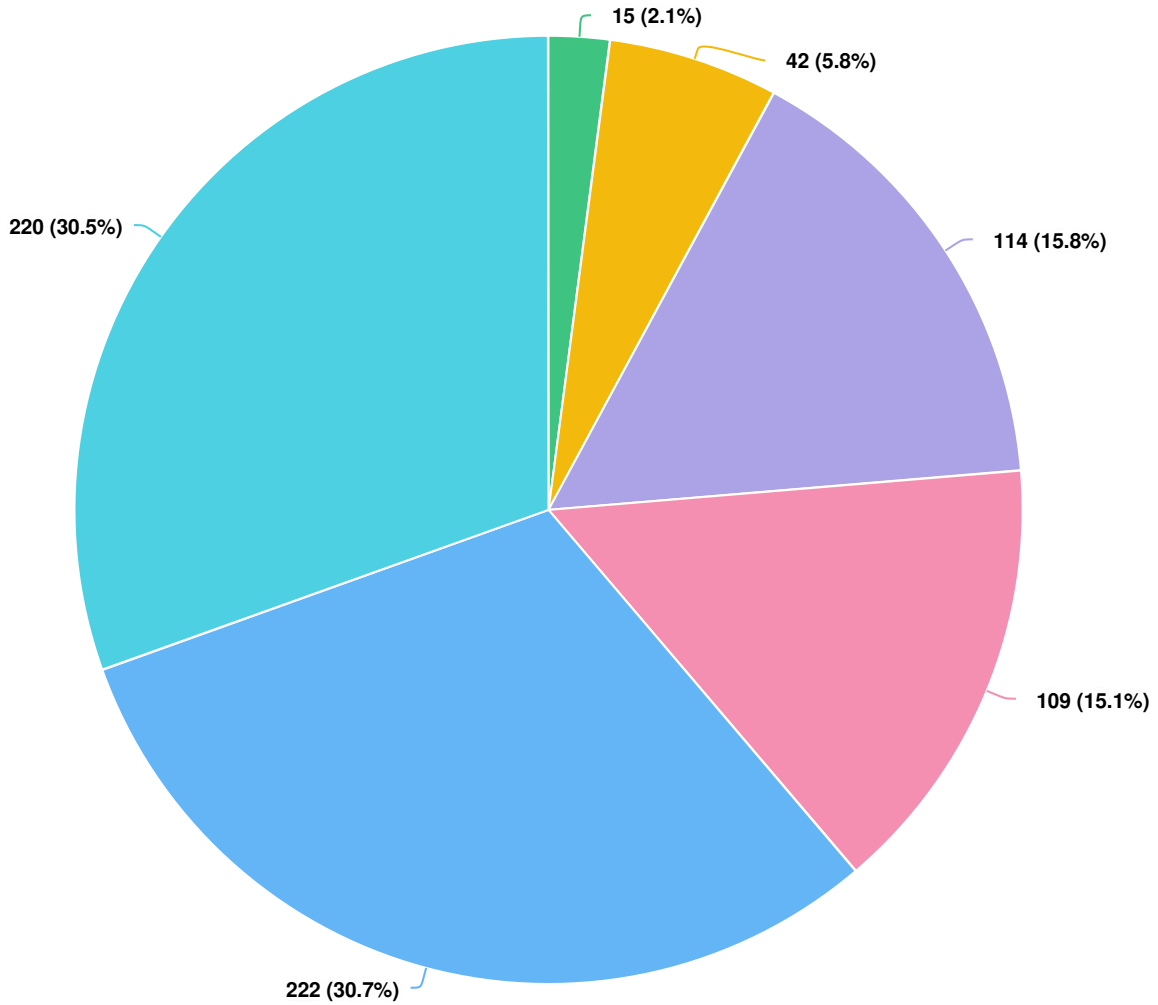
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African-American
- Hispanic or Latinx
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Two or more races
- I prefer not to say
- Other (please specify)

Optional question (716 response(s), 59 skipped)

Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q16 | How would you describe your annual household income?**



**Question options**

- Less than \$25,000 a year
- \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year
- \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year
- \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year
- \$150,000 a year or more
- I prefer not to say

*Optional question (722 response(s), 53 skipped)*

*Question type: Radio Button Question*

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# **Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation: Public Open House**

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## **Public Open House 1 Summary April 11, 2023**



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## Introduction

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### Meeting overview

This summary has been prepared to detail the notifications efforts and outcomes of the first public open house meeting. The public open house is one of many engagement touchpoints the city and project team will have with the community throughout the Community Conversation Project.

The meeting was held in an open house format. At the open house, the project staff introduced the Airport Community Conversation engagement project and shared information about the airport's history, current uses, future opportunities and constraints. Community members were invited to provide feedback about their concerns or interests about the airport and contribute to the future of the airport's visioning process.

Additional details about the Community Conversation project can be found on the [project website](#).





## Public Open House Details

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### Meeting information

- Location: Brookdale North Boulder (3350 30th St, Boulder, CO 80301)
- Date: Tuesday, April 11, 2023
- Time: 4:00 – 7:00 pm
- Number of Attendees
  - 202 (202 attendees signed in using the online or paper form)
  - 16 project team members

### Project Team Attendees

Natalie Stiffler, COB

John Kinney, COB

Allison Moore-Farrell, COB

Kathleen King, COB

Manuela Sifuentes, COB

Leticia Abajo, COB

Dylan Swanson, COB

Nick Pollock, COB

Danielle Furuichi, COB

Amalia Andrews, Kimley-Horn

Andrew Scanlon, Kimley-Horn

Olivia Perez, Kimley-Horn

Anthony Pratt, Kimley-Horn

Blake Young, Kimley-Horn

Johnathan Craig, Kimley-Horn

Aidan Johan, Kimley-Horn

Kathleen Wanatowicz, PR Studio

Jeffrey Range, CDR Associates

# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



## Meeting Notifications

- Post Card
- Email Invite
- Flyer
- Social Media Post – Facebook
  - April 18, 2023
  - April 10, 2023
  - March 29, 2023
- Social Media Post – Facebook, Spanish
  - March 2, 2023
- Social Media Post – Twitter
  - April 18, 2023
  - April 10, 2023
  - March 28, 2023
- Press Release
  - March 28, 2023

## Media Coverage

- [Boulder hosts open house on Boulder Municipal Airport's future](#), Daily Camera, March 28, 2023
- [Boulder hears from community members on the future of its airport](#), News9, April 11, 2023.
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## Presentation Topics

- Airport Information
- Boulder Planning Documents
- Community Feedback
- Airport Vision

## Summary of Public Meeting

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- Interim Transportation and Mobility Director Natalie Stiffler shared some brief remarks with attendees, thanking them for their participation and providing some context for the meeting's purpose.
- The project team presented information boards detailing airport information, planning documents, previewing community feedback so far, and soliciting feedback from the community. These presentation boards and included in this report at Appendix B.

# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



- Community members had an opportunity to share their feedback to the public open house materials through sticky notes. These comments are included in this report at **Appendix D**. Common areas of concern include:
  - Noise
  - Leaded Fuel
  - Rules and Regulations
  - Economic Impact
  - Emergency Services
  - Alternative Uses
  - Training
  - Land Use
  - Environmental Impact
  - Safety
  - Community Involvement and Relations
  - Airport Management
- Community members had an opportunity to fill out a comment card during the open house. These comments are included in this report as **Appendix C**. Common themes in the public comments include:
  - Community Involvement and Relations
  - Community Resources
  - Alternative Uses
  - Noise
  - Rules and Regulations
  - Environmental Impact

# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation







## Appendices

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### Appendix A. Public Notifications



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# **Boulder Municipal Airport Holds Public Open House for Community Conversation Project**



## **Details**

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PUBLISHED DATE

**Mar 28, 2023**

Community invited to learn more and share their vision for the airport's

future

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## Related Events

TUE  
APR 11  
2023

### Airport Community Conversation Open House 1

BOULDER, Colo.– The City of Boulder is hosting an in-person public open house on Tuesday, April 11 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Brookdale North Boulder located at 3350 30th St, Boulder, CO 80301. This is the first of three public open houses designed to understand the community’s vision for the future of the Boulder Municipal Airport.

The meeting will be an open house format where community are welcome to come and go at any time. At the open house, city staff will introduce the Airport Community Conversation engagement project and share information about the airport’s history, current uses, future opportunities and constraints. Community members will be invited to provide feedback about their concerns or interests about the airport and contribute to the future of the airport’s visioning process.

“The city is committed to engaging with the community about the airport throughout the Community Conversation process.” said Interim Transportation and Mobility Director Natalie Stiffler. “The open houses and upcoming online questionnaires are opportunities for all interested community members to make their voices heard on this topic and contribute to the visioning process. We’re looking forward to positive and productive conversations.”

Learn more about the [Airport Community Conversation online](#). Through the project, the city will develop a deeper understanding of the community’s desired future for the airport. It will provide city leadership with a community-supported scenario for the future of the airport to help guide next steps while being mindful of the city’s long-term commitments to the Federal Aviation Administration.



[Boulder Municipal Airport](#) is a general aviation airport, providing business, private and recreational aviation services to the City of Boulder and surrounding communities.

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### **City of Boulder Awarded Over \$700,000 Toward Safe Routes for Manhattan Middle School**

MAY 1, 2023

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### **Neighborhood Grant Program Returns**

MARCH 2, 2023

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### **City Opens First Round of Engagement for Snow and Ice Response Review**

FEBRUARY 24, 2023

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### **City of Boulder Seeks Input on the Future of the Airport**

FEBRUARY 14, 2023

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# PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE



## Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation

The Airport Community Conversation project seeks to learn what the community's aspirations and goals are for the future of the airport. The project will provide city leadership with a community-supported scenario and next steps to guide future planning of the airport.

**Please join us at a Public Open House to learn more about the airport, meet the project team and provide your feedback.**

**Children welcome | Come and go at any time | Se habla español**



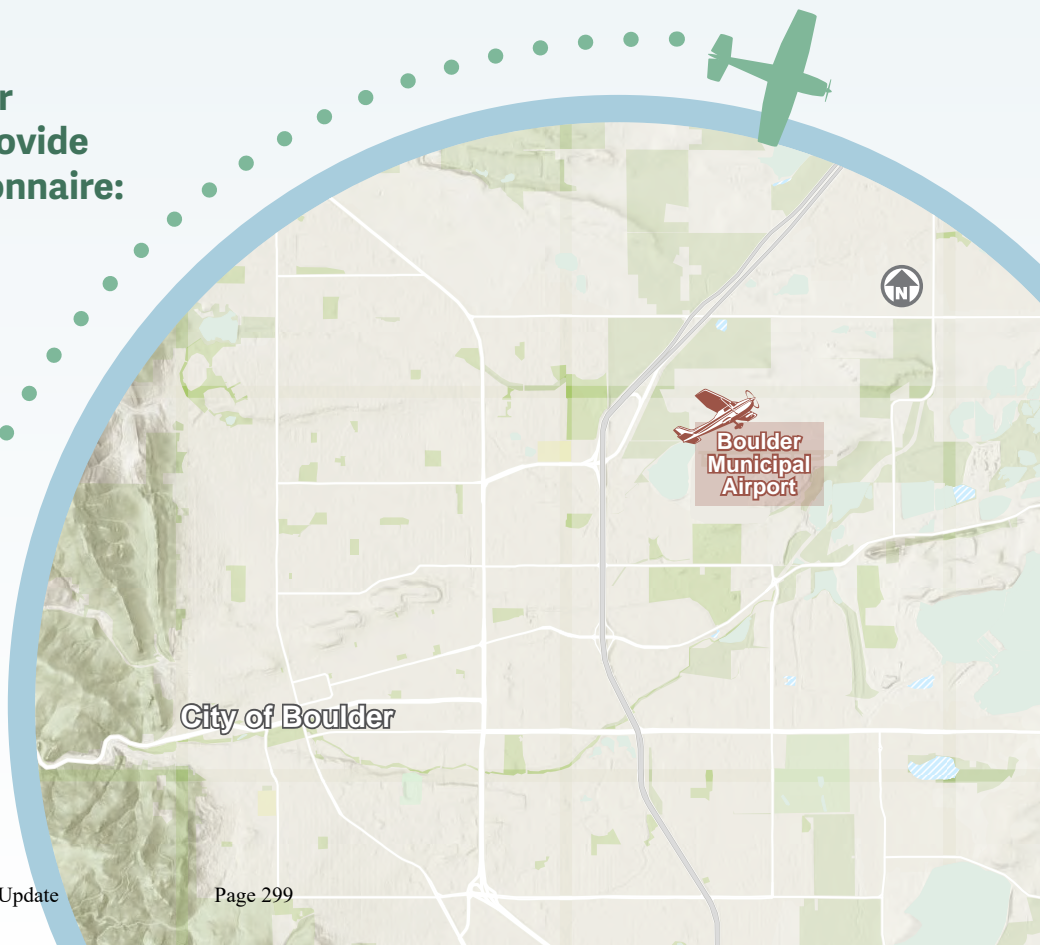
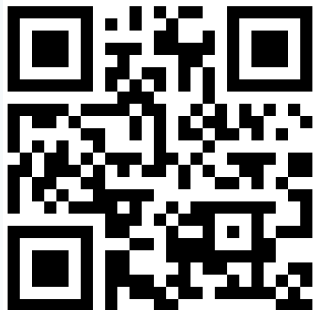
Where:  
**Brookdale North Boulder**  
**3350 30th St.**  
**Boulder, CO 80301**



When:  
**Tuesday, April 11, 2023**  
**4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Visit the project website for more information and to provide feedback through a questionnaire:  
<https://bldr.fyi/ACC>

**SCAN THE QR CODE**



# CASA ABIERTA AL PÚBLICO



## Conversaciones Comunitarias del Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder

El proyecto Community Conversations busca conocer cuáles son las aspiraciones y objetivos de la comunidad para el futuro del aeropuerto y brindar a los líderes de la ciudad un escenario apoyado por la comunidad y los próximos pasos para guiar la planificación futura del aeropuerto.

**Acompáñenos en una Casa Abierta Pública para obtener más información sobre el aeropuerto, conozca al equipo del proyecto y dé su opinión.**

Los niños son bienvenidos | Puede ir y venir en cualquier momento | Se habla español



Dónde:  
**Brookdale North Boulder**  
**3350 30th St.**  
**Boulder, CO 80301**



Cuándo:  
**Martes 11 de Abril de 2023**  
**4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Visite el sitio web del proyecto para más información y dar su opinión a través de un cuestionario: <https://bldr.fyi/ACCESP>

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Facebook





# Facebook - Gobierno de la Ciudad de Boulder, Colorado

**Gobierno de la Ciudad de Boulder, Colorado**  
March 29 · 🌐

¡Les invitamos a compartir su visión para el futuro del Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder!  
Una variedad de ideas, aspiraciones y experiencias vividas nos ayudarán a comprender cómo encaja el aeropuerto en la visión de la comunidad para Boulder.

👉 ¿Quiere saber más? Asista a la primera Casa Abierta Pública.

📅 Reserve la fecha: La primera casa abierta se llevará a cabo el 11 de abril de 4 a 7 p.m.

👉 Pase cuando pueda, no es necesario quedarse todo el rato. Traiga a los niños, ¡tendremos actividades para ellos! Estaremos ofreciendo información en español.

Brookdale North Boulder  
3350 30th St.  
Boulder, CO 80301

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See Translation

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**Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder**  
**¡ÚNASE A NOSOTROS**

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Las fechas son bilingües | Puedo ir y venir en cualquier momento | De hecho, esperamos


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**¡ÚNASE A NOSOTROS!**


# Twitter

 **City of Boulder** @bouldercolorado

Share your vision for the future of the Boulder Municipal Airport at an open house April 11! 🛫

We'll introduce the Airport Community Conversation project and share info about the airport's history, current uses, and future opportunities.


Details ➡ [ow.ly/aNh150Nuiw](https://ow.ly/aNh150Nuiw)



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 **City of Boulder** @bouldercolorado

✈️ Reminder: the first open house for the Airport Community Conversation is tomorrow, April 11, from 4-7 p.m.

Drop in any time to learn more about the airport, meet the project team and provide your feedback.

Can't make it? Share your thoughts online: [ow.ly/KIn50NEj4z](https://ow.ly/KIn50NEj4z)





Municipal Airport  
**OPEN HOUSE**  
April 11, 2023  
4 - 7:00 p.m.  
15 North Boulder  
1st St.  
CO 80301  
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Iris Ave  
Free Parking  
Street Park  
30th St  
Brookdale  
North Boulder  
ALT

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@bouldercolorado






Thank you for joining the Airport Community Conversation open house last week! Nearly 200 people attended to learn about the airport and provide ideas for the airport's future.

If you missed it, share input via the online questionnaire through May 4: [bldr.fyi/ACC](https://bldr.fyi/ACC).



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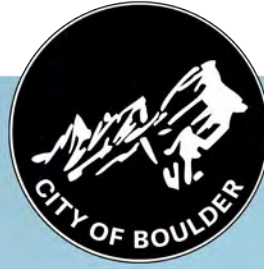
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# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



## Appendix B. Public Meeting Display Boards



# **WELCOME**

## **Boulder Municipal Airport**

Community Conversation

# **OPEN HOUSE**





# Overview and Information



# Project Overview

## Understand the Existing Conditions

The project team will provide information about the current conditions of the airport site, the ongoing operations at the airport, FAA obligations and its role in the community.

## Understand the Community's Vision for the Airport Site

The community will discuss goals and aspirations for the future of the airport site. The project team will incorporate community feedback from a variety of engagement venues.

## Inform Community Priorities for the Airport Site

Community feedback will help inform and evaluate a range of scenarios (short-term and long-term) that are mindful of safety and FAA obligations.



# COMMUNITY CONVERSATION PURPOSE

The purpose of the Community Conversation project is to learn what the community’s aspirations and goals are for the future of the airport site and provide city leadership with a community-supported scenario and next steps to guide future planning of the airport. The community conversation process includes three major elements: in depth interviews, Community Working Group Meetings (CWG) meetings and Public Open Houses.

## Process

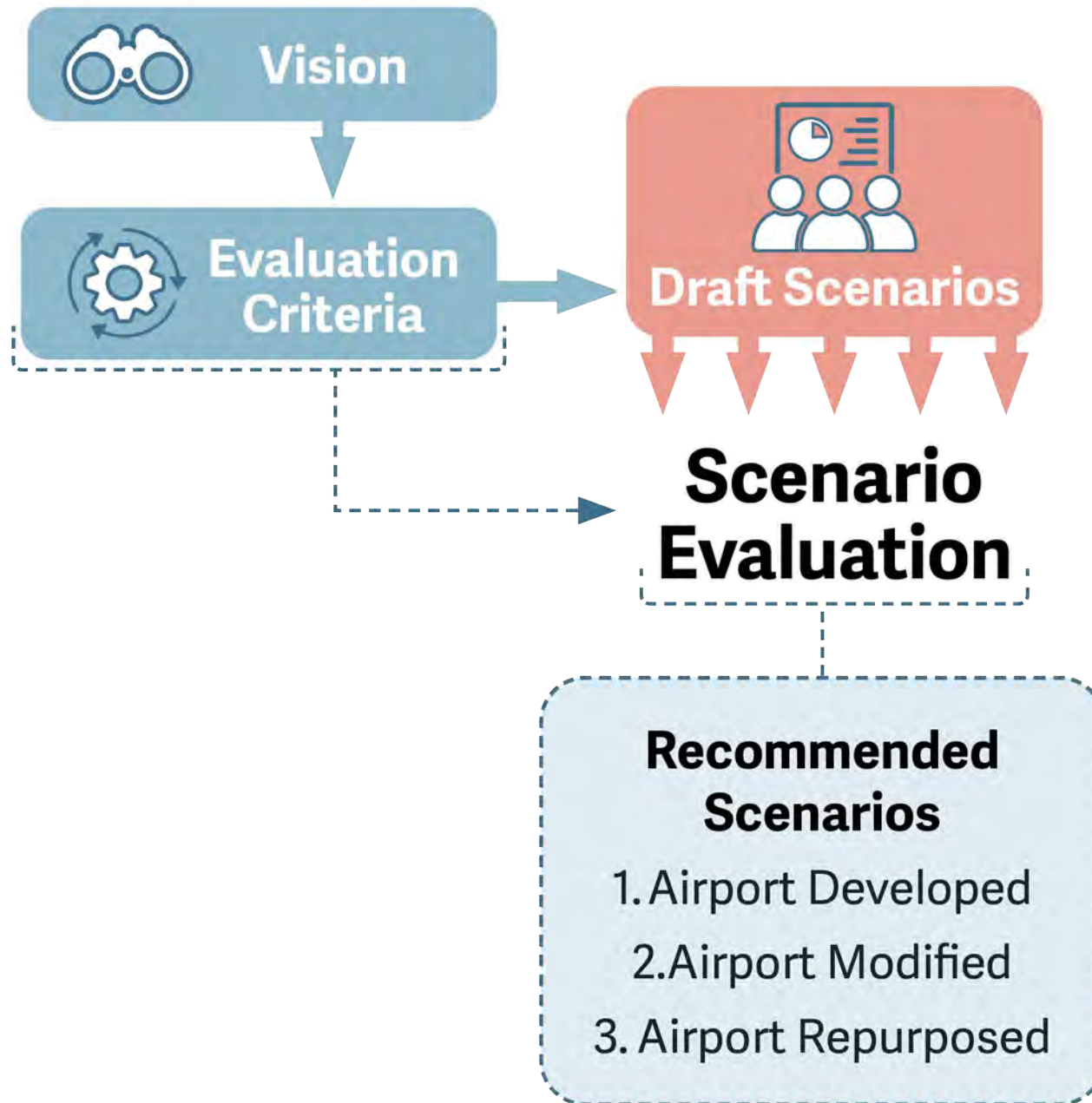
- Identification of community goals and aspirations for the future of the airport site
- Identification of key issues and opportunities for consideration in future planning of the airport site
- Identification of a community preferred scenario for the airport’s future
- Determination of the next steps to move towards that preferred scenario

## Future study may include...

- A change to the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map or the City of Boulder Zoning Map
- Detailed site planning or modeling for the airport site



# SCENARIO PROCESS



# SCENARIO DECISION MAKING

## What

## Who



Scenario Input

CWG

Public Meeting

Interviews

Community  
Questionnaire



Scenario Development  
and Recommendations

Project Team



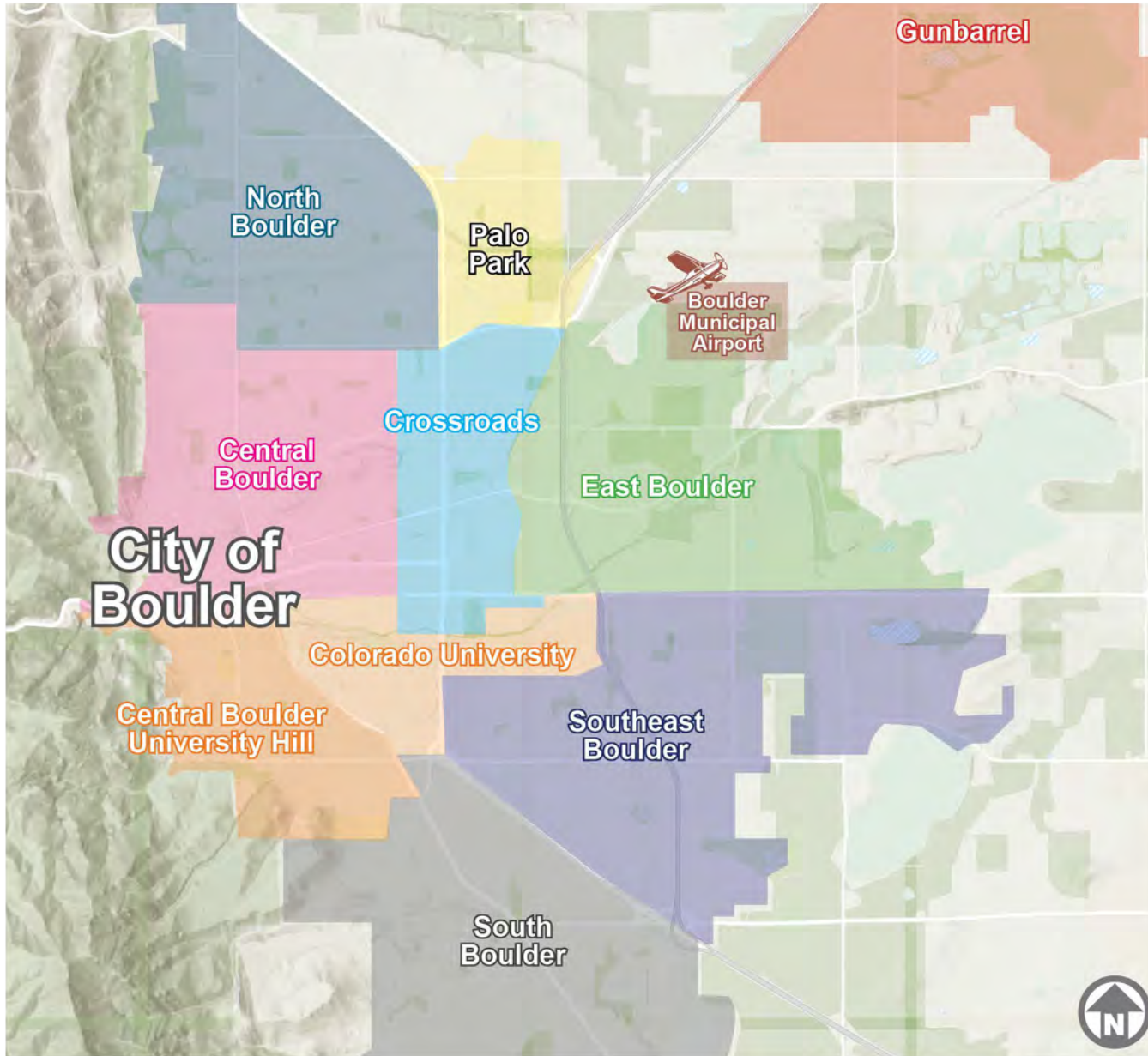
Scenario Decision Making

Council





# BOULDER NEIGHBORHOOD MAP



# AIRPORT HISTORY AND FACTS

## History

**1928**  
Hayden Field opens as dirt landing strip

**1943**  
Boulder Municipal Airport founded

**1958**  
First Federal Grant

**1976**  
Boulder Aerobatic Club female pilot ranked in U.S. top 5

**1976**  
High altitude record of 44,100' above sea level

**2004**  
Record-breaking 1000km flight by glider

**1953 – 1969**  
Numerous improvements

**1964 – 1969**  
Additional land bought

**1977**  
Pete Bartoe Jr. builds the Jet Wing

**1994**  
Boulder County fires contained thanks to BDU single engine air tanker

## Key Features

Approximately **65,000** operations in 2022

BDU is a **non-towered** airport

Airport is not staffed **24/7/365**

**Spring 2022**  
BDU implemented flight tracking system

**171** based aircraft

**40** gliders

**129** fixed-wing

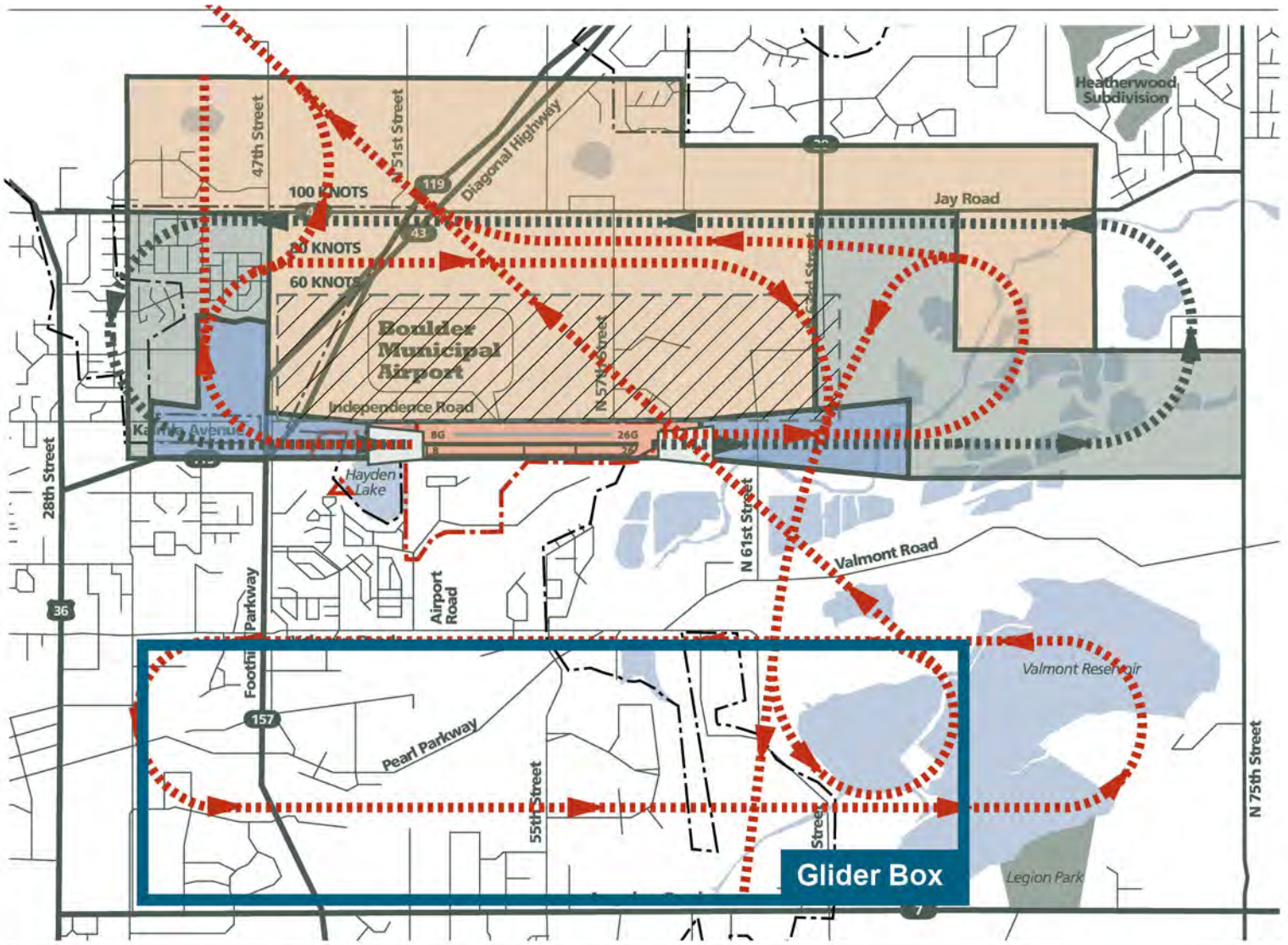
**2** helicopters

## Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Roles and Responsibilities

- Regulates civil aviation to promote safety
- Encourage and develop civil aeronautics, including new technology
- Air traffic control and navigation of both civil and military aircraft
- Research and develop the National Airspace System
- Promoting and funding environmental compatibility while preserving the airports as a system within critical infrastructure
- Fund the operation and development of airports as part of the national airport systems through grants and the associated grant obligations



# CITY AIRPORT INFLUENCE MAP



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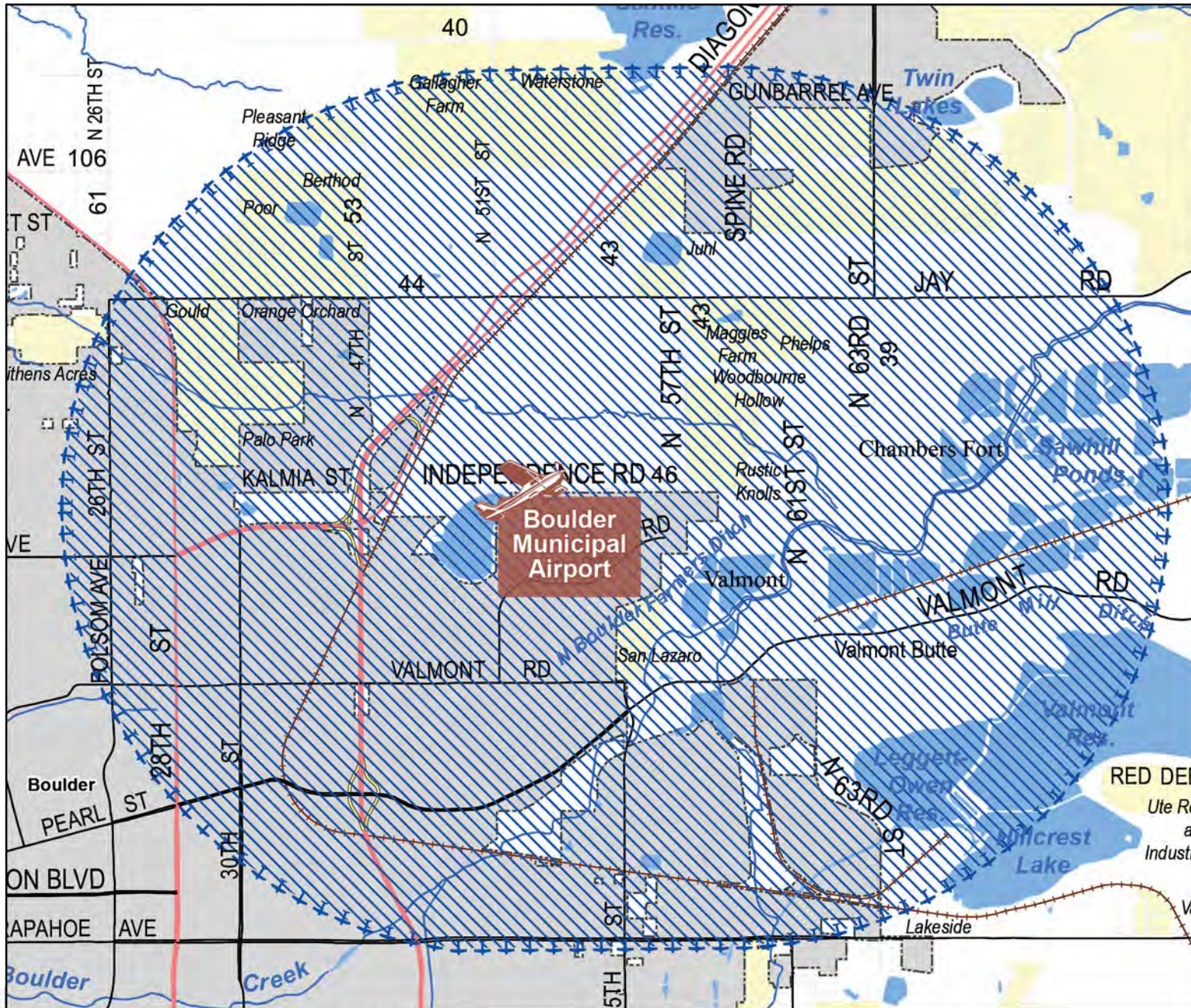
## Airport Influence Overlay Zone Map with Flight Tracks

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|  Zoning Area 1 |  Gliders                       |
|  Zoning Area 2 |  Powered Aircraft Flight Track |
|  Zoning Area 3 |  Glider/Tow Plane Flight Track |
|  Zoning Area 4 |  Helicopter Traffic            |
|  City Boundary |  Runway Protection Zone        |

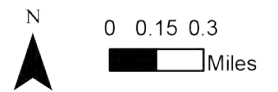




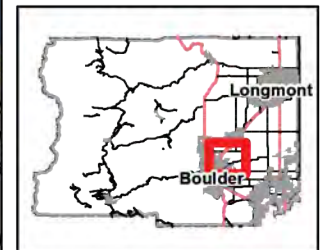
# Land Use Department Airport Influence Map: Boulder Municipal Airport



- Airport Influence
- Streams
- Water
- Municipality
- Subdivisions



County Location

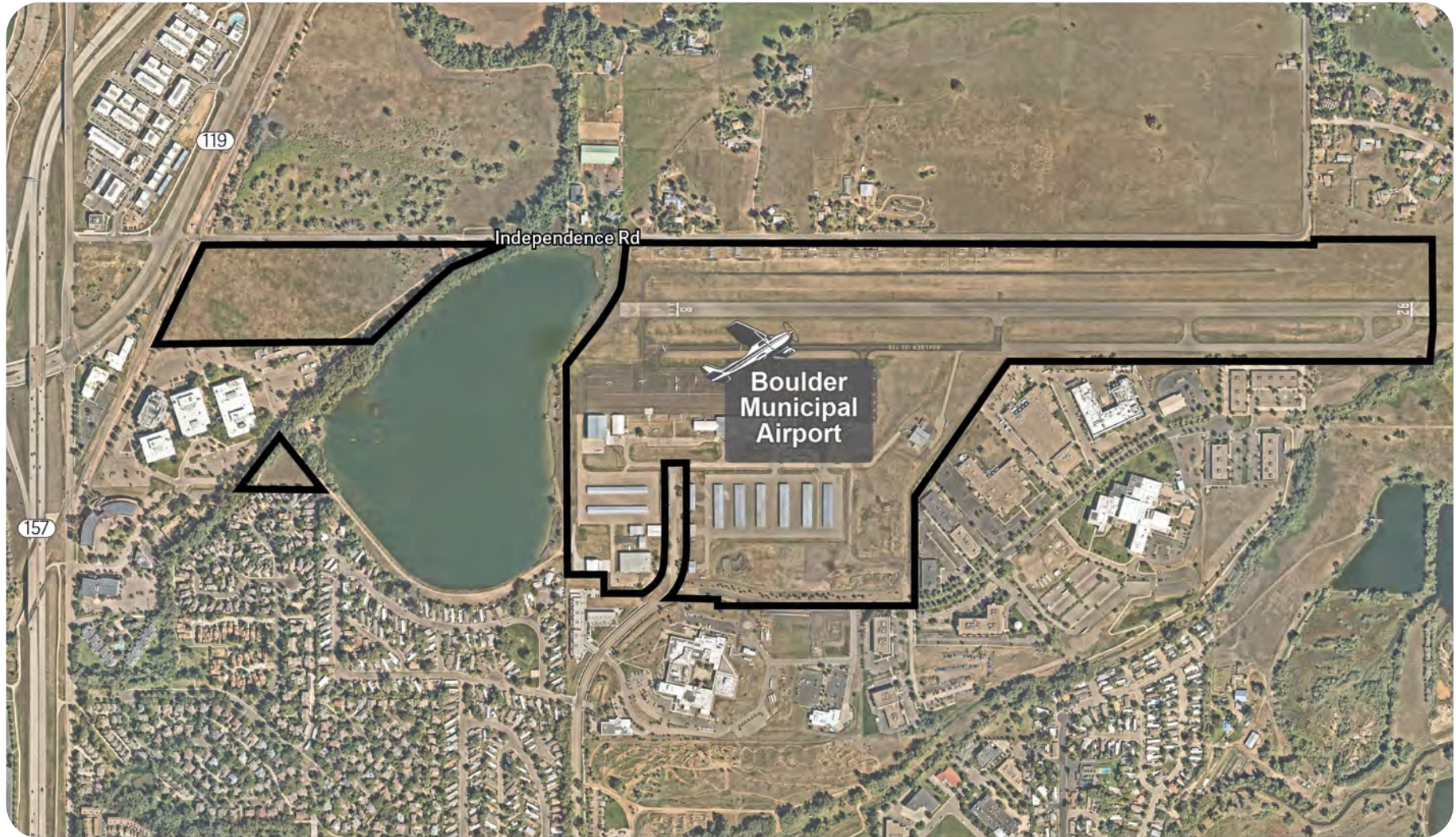


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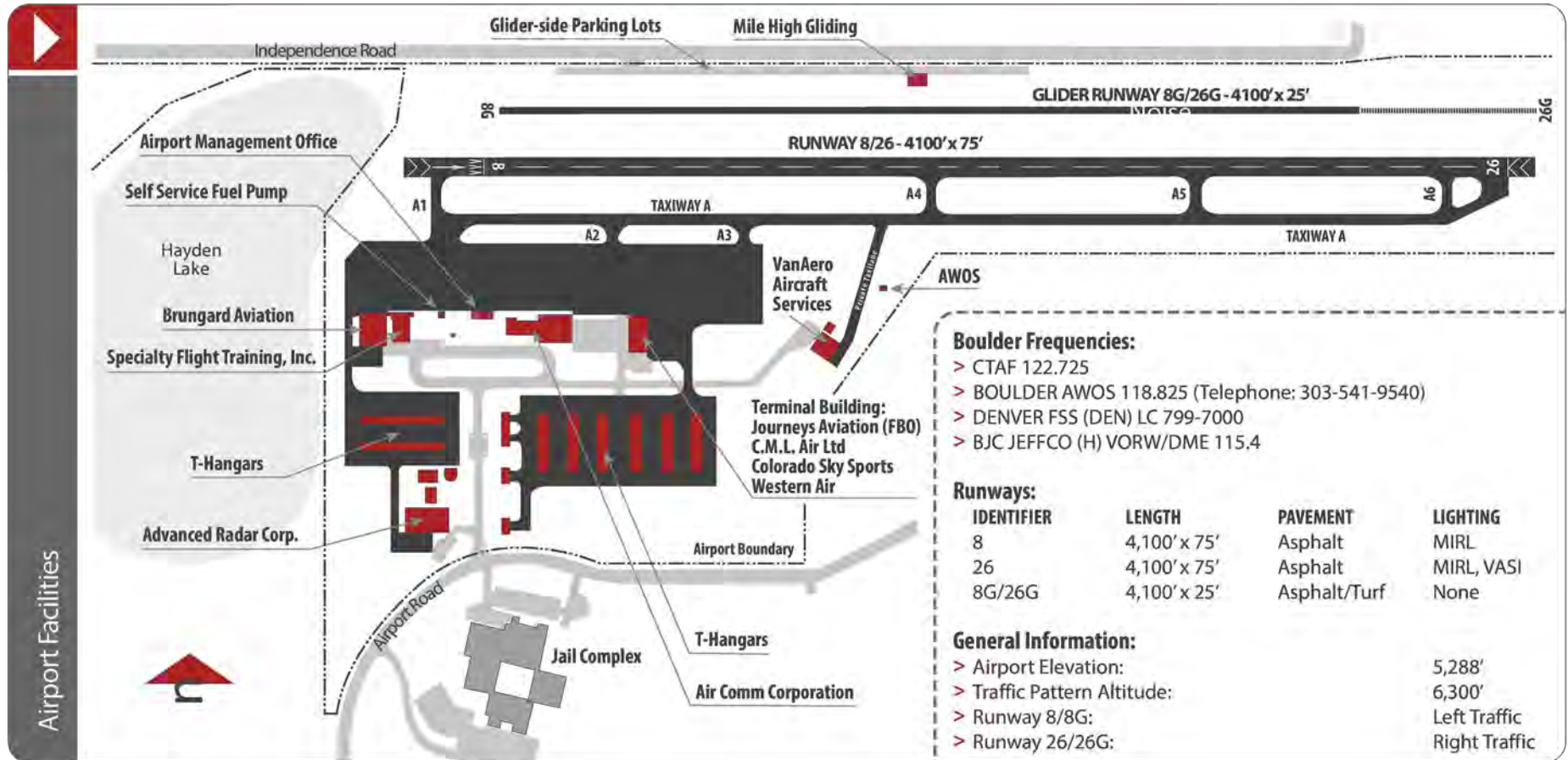


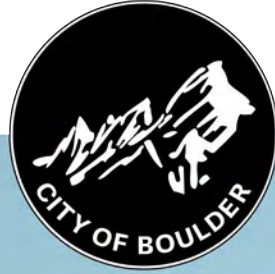
# AIRPORT BOUNDARY\*

\*As defined in the Airport Layout Plan



# AIRPORT FACILITIES





# Boulder Planning Documents



# BOULDER VALLEY COMPREHENSIVE POLICY 6.23

## Municipal Airport

Boulder Municipal Airport is a general aviation airport that has been in existence since 1928. The airport will continue to ensure it meets the needs of the community by providing a safe environment for aviation business and business-related travel, scientific and research flights, recreation and tourism, flight training and vocational education, aerial fire-fighting, emergency medical flights as well as flood and other disaster-related support for the city and county.

The city will seek to mitigate noise, safety and other impacts of airport operation while assuring that new development in proximity will be compatible with existing and planned use of the airport. At the time of the next Airport Master Plan, the city will work with the community to reassess the potential for developing a portion of the airport for housing and neighborhood-serving uses.



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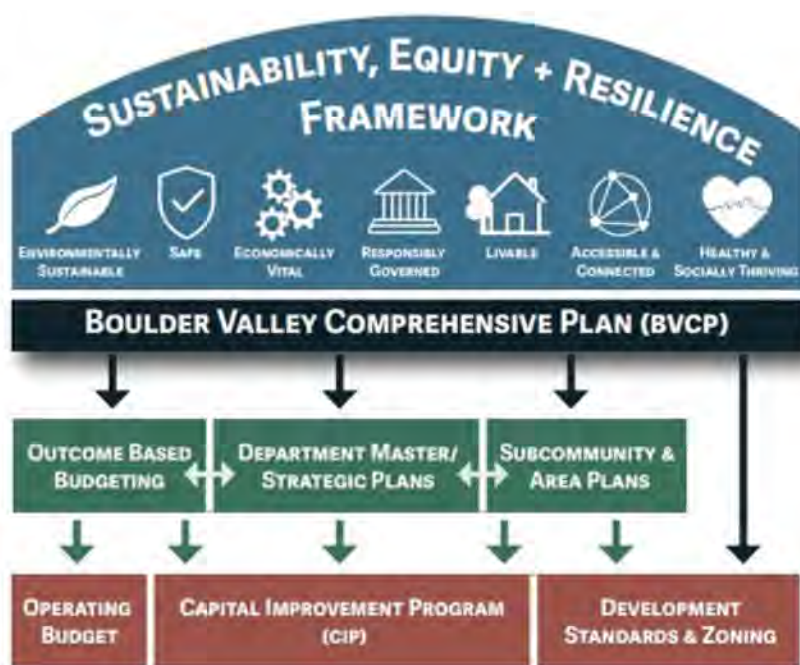
# 2007 AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

## Goals

- Operate in a safe and efficient manner
- Continue to serve the needs of the Boulder Aviation community
- Maximize compatibility with the community with regard to aircraft noise impacts
- Maintain financial self-sustainability

## Highlights

- The airport is self-sustaining and does not receive subsidies from the city of Boulder General Fund or Transportation Fund.
- Boulder Municipal Airport has received several FAA grants that help pay 90-95% of the costs associated with airport upkeep and capital improvement projects.
- Maintain an appealing appearance of the airport, using the same high standard of quality and condition used for other city-owned buildings. Bring grounds and buildings, both city-owned and non city-owned, up to this standard of condition.
- FAA grants were also used to acquire 49 of the airport’s 179 acres.



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# SUSTAINABILITY, EQUITY AND RESILIENCE FRAMEWORK

**Safe:** A welcoming and inclusive community that fosters positive neighborhood and community relations and ensures that all residents are secure and cared for during emergencies and natural disasters. Public infrastructure is well-maintained and reliable, and natural resources like water, air, and land are protected.

**Healthy and socially thriving:** All Boulder residents are able to meet their critical needs, enjoy high levels of social, physical, and mental well-being, and have access to abundant recreational, cultural and educational opportunities in an environment that respects and celebrates human rights.

**Livable:** High-performing, safe, and well-maintained buildings and infrastructure that accommodate a diverse set of community needs for working, learning, playing, and living.

**Accessible and connected:** A safe, accessible, and sustainable multimodal transportation system that connects people with each other and where they want to go. Open access to information is provided both physically and digitally to foster connectivity and promote community engagement.

**Environmentally sustainable:** A sustainable, thriving, and equitable community that benefits from and supports clean energy; preserves and responsibly uses the earth's resources; and cares for ecosystems.

**Responsibly governed:** A local government that provides an excellent customer experience, responsibly manages the city's assets, and makes data-driven decisions informed by community engagement inclusive of those who have been historically excluded from government programs and services. The city organization exemplifies an employer of choice with policies and programs to support employee inclusion and well-being.

**Economically vital:** A healthy, accessible, resilient, and sustainable economy based on innovation, diversity, and collaboration that benefits all residents, businesses, and visitors.

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## EAST BOULDER SUBCOMMUNITY PLAN – VISION

**Access & Mobility:** People and goods will easily and safely travel to, from, and through East Boulder by a variety of efficient, practical and affordable transportation modes, employing advanced transportation technology where appropriate.

**Arts & Culture:** The city will support the development of art spaces and experiences, installations, businesses and venues for professional and amateur creatives that enhance the subcommunity's local culture.

**Design Quality & Placemaking:** East Boulder will include walkable neighborhoods, for all ages and abilities, whose aesthetic character reflect the subcommunity's industrial identity. Experimentation in design and construction to build enduring and engaging places will be encouraged.

**Housing Affordability & Diversity:** East Boulder will be home to new and affordable housing that complements existing uses, includes a diverse mix of housing types and ownership models and extends live-work-play choices in the community.

**Local Business:** The city will support affordable business space, support a wide variety of businesses and help deliver attractive neighborhoods so local businesses can thrive in East Boulder

**Resilience & Climate Commitment:** Development, redevelopment and transportation systems in East Boulder will support the city's climate action plan to reduce emissions, become net-zero and carbon-positive. They will be designed to respect and enhance the area's natural resources and minimize impacts of natural disruptions, including flood events. The subcommunity's numerous public and health care facilities will provide a strong network for resilience in the face of future health crises.

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## BOULDER PLANNING DOCUMENTS

### Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan Core Values

The TMP reflects long-standing community values contained in the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan (BVCP) and is meant to implement those values in transportation. The transportation system is our largest public asset and should reflect community values and support citywide initiatives. BVCP values that are particularly important to transportation are:

- Sustainability as a unifying framework to meet environmental, economic and social goals;
- A welcoming, inclusive and diverse community;
- Culture of creativity and innovation;
- Strong city and county cooperation;
- Our unique community identity and sense of place;
- Compact, contiguous development and infill that supports evolution to a more sustainable urban form;
- Open space preservation;

- Great neighborhoods and public spaces;
- Environmental stewardship and climate action;
- A vibrant economy based on Boulder's quality of life and economic strengths;
- A diversity of housing types and price ranges;
- An all-mode transportation system to make getting around without a car easy and accessible to everyone; and
- Physical health, safety and well-being

### Transportation Master Plan Vision and Goals

A safe, accessible and sustainable multimodal transportation system connecting people with each other and where they want to go. Our transportation system will:

- Be safe
- Be equitable
- Be reliable
- Provide travel choices
- Support clean air and our climate commitment

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# What Is Your Big Idea for the **Boulder Municipal Airport?**





# Community Feedback



## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Feedback received to date has been organized in various subject areas. Feedback was received through individual interviews and our first Community Working Group meeting. Please review these areas of feedback, themes, comments and ideas and share with us what you think about these subject areas.



## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK – AIRPORT OPERATIONS

### Leaded Fuel

- Concern about flight traffic over schools and recreation areas
- Residents have reported finding lead in the soil in their homes
- Impact on air quality

### Future Scenarios

- Improve airport facilities
- Close the airport
- Repurpose all or part of the airport for housing or neighborhood-serving uses

### Runways

- Only allow FAA compliant runways

### Technology Advancements

- Electric aircraft
- Self-launching gliders
- Urban air mobility

### Glider Operations

- Safety concerns about gliders sharing airspace with motorized aircraft
- Tow planes are noisy and tend to fly over residences

### Scientific Research

- Some research operations cannot easily move
- Even if the operation moved to a different airport, all research is calibrated for Boulder – aircrafts may come back and fly over for calibration flights
- Boulder is a hub for scientific research, innovation





## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK – SAFETY AND NOISE

### Enhance Safety

- Introduce traffic pattern modifications
- Evaluate touch and go activities
- Enforcement for individuals/companies who deactivate collision avoidance systems
- Introduce a traffic management program

### Privacy

- Tenants concerned that community members have access to their personal information through noise complaints
- Community concerns with pilots and airport users retaliating against them

### Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedures

- Engage congressional delegations given similar themed proposed legislation
- Enhance flight tracking software capabilities
- Update rules, regulations, and leasing policies to incentivize compliance with the noise program
- Noise abatement procedures at Boulder are described as more strict than most airports

### Update Procedures

- Technical Noise Committee made up of airport tenants to address community complaints and buy-in
- Improve signage at the airport to educate departing pilots on noise abatement procedures
- Communicate to the public the steps the group is taking to address noise complaints

### Community Relations

- Some pilots and users live in neighborhood adjacent to the airport
- Adhering to voluntary noise abatement procedures is important to some users and pilots
- Airport noise impacts the wildlife and environment surrounding Boulder



## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK – AIRPORT ECONOMICS

### Landing Fees

- Recover facility and maintenance costs
- Implement technology solutions

### Tenant Accountability

- Implement rules and regulations
- Enforce leasing policy
- Tenants need to understand long term plan for airport

### Airport Benefits

- Additional study on economic benefits and costs
- FAA Rules and Regulations
- FAA does not enforce liability insurance rules

### Investment

- Change lease structure so business can invest in new hangars and facilities
- Update building code to enable tenants to develop hangars without facility requirements of storage units
- Support the development of new hangars
- Improve FBO facilities to improve reputation and service

### Training

- New pilot training to support nationwide aviation
- Youth outreach provides access to those who might not otherwise
- Training operations are the cornerstone of some airport tenant's businesses



## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK – ENGAGEMENT AND LAND USE

### Community Involvement

- Community board with biannual updates to City Council
- Airport expenses better delineated in the transportation budget
- Provide web-based real time flight data

### Improve Relationship

- Improve community relations
- Community movie nights
- Open a restaurant or café
- Airport supports crucial environmental research and brings grant funding to Boulder
- Airport operations support innovation
- Share ways tenants are improving and abiding by voluntary noise abatement procedures
- Pilots and tenants need to be good neighbors and information should be shared with community members to understand the role of the airport

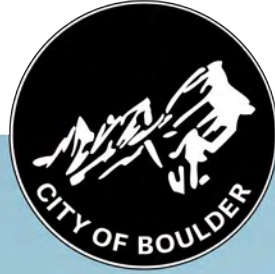
### Land Use and Planning

- Density is increasing in areas around the airport, increasing the numbers of people impacted by the airport
- Schools were approved to operate near the airport and are impacted by noise and other environmental factors
- The city has affordable housing goals to meet

### Housing

- Growth in areas around the airport is increasing the numbers of individuals impacted
- Affordable housing is needed in Boulder and the airport site is an interesting opportunity for meeting those needs
- Repurpose all or part of the airport for housing or neighborhood-serving uses





# Community Conversation Station



# COMMUNITY CONVERSATION STATION

Grab a seat and let's talk. Share your thoughts, feelings and ideas. The goal of the Community Conversation Station is to exchange information and build relationships with one another.

## Conversation Starters

What does the Airport look like to you in 20 years?

What prompted you to attend this Open House?

Do you live near the Airport?



# ESTACIÓN DE CONVERSACIÓN COMUNITARIA

Tome asiento y hablemos. Comparta tus pensamientos, sentimientos e ideas. El objetivo de la Estación de Conversación Comunitaria es intercambiar información y establecer relaciones entre ellos.

## Iniciadores de Conversación



¿Cómo es para usted el Aeropuerto dentro de 20 años?

¿Qué le impulsó a asistir a esta Casa Abierta?

¿Vive cerca del aeropuerto?

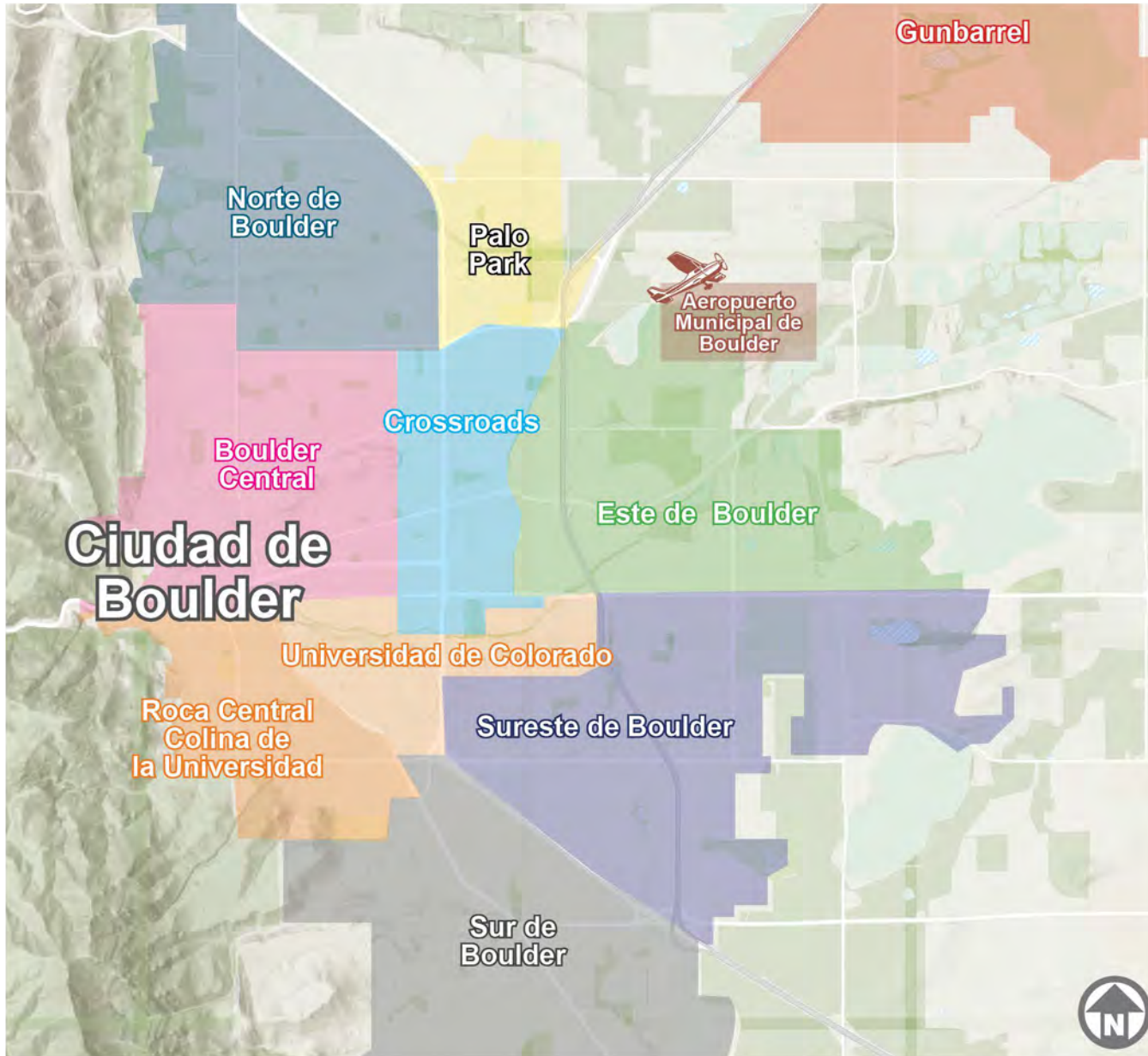




¡Bienvenidos a la jornada  
de puertas abiertas de la  
conversación comunitaria del  
**Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder!**



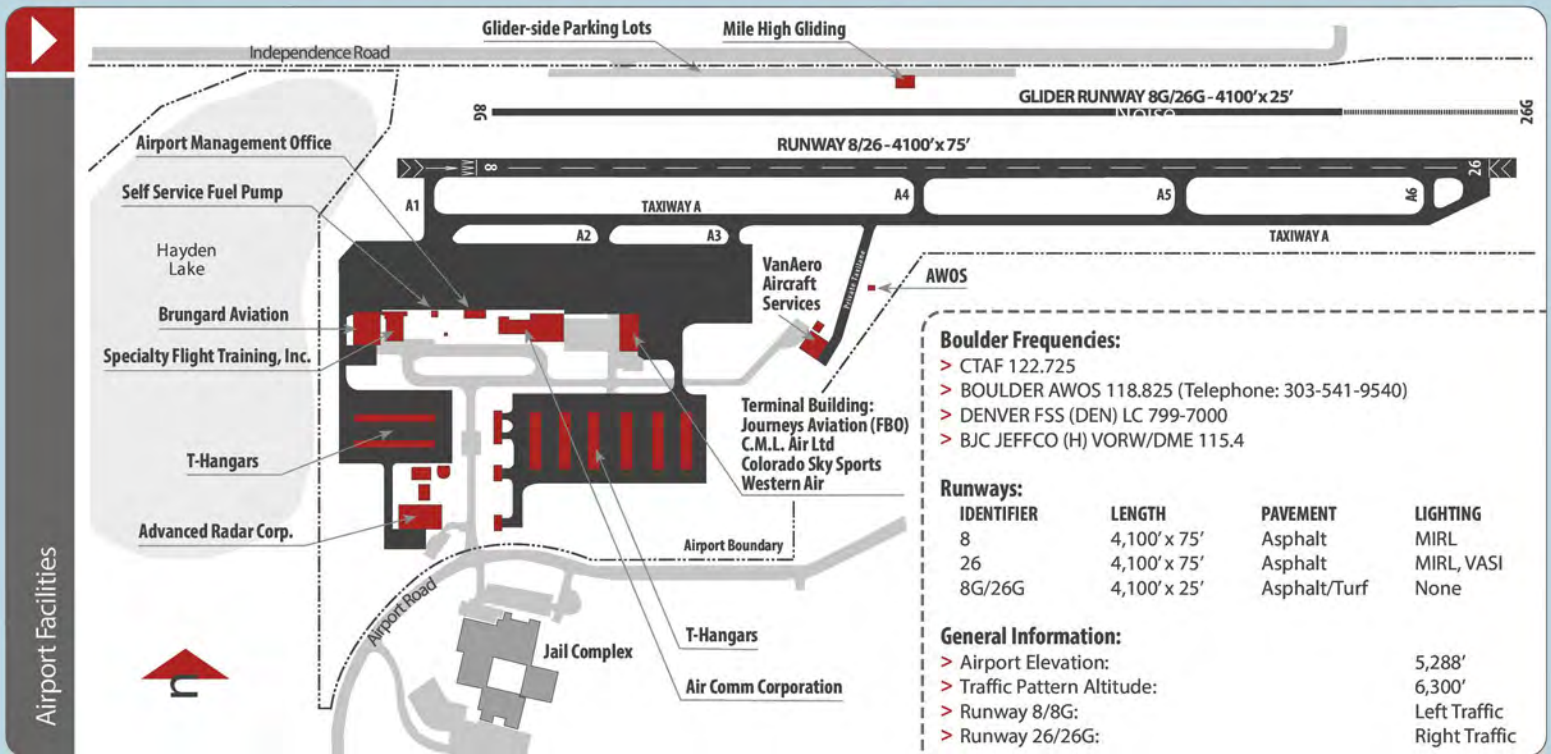
# VECINDARIOS DE BOULDER





En preparación para un futuro Plan Maestro del Aeropuerto, la Ciudad de Boulder ha lanzado un proceso de participación comunitaria para comprender el futuro deseado por la comunidad para el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder y recomendar los próximos pasos.

## ¡Esta noche, nos gustaría saber de usted!



# ¿Cómo describiría un aeropuerto ideal?

## ¿Cuál es su visión para el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder?



### Boulder Airport Conversación Comunitaria



# ¿Vive cerca del aeropuerto?

Si es así, ¿cuál es su experiencia viviendo cerca del aeropuerto?

¿Qué ideas tiene para abordar los intereses de la comunidad con respecto al aeropuerto?



# ¿Qué información le gustaría saber sobre el Aeropuerto?



# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



## Appendix C. Public Comments - Community Feedback Boards

### **Boulder Planning Documents**

1. Importance of BDU for sustainable transportation, commercial freight and for people
2. While helis do offer some medical service, they don't need a runway. It's safe to say 95 - 98% of airport ops are sheer hobby. Even the flight training. What stats of students go onto commercial? We don't need 179 acres here.
3. The airport fiscally costs the city money and is not needed for emergency use. VBO and RMM are better. This myth has no data to back it.
4. I started my career flying at Boulder and now my job is flying cargo to keep the just-in-time supply chain going for American manufacturing. Boulder is a great home for my aviation life!
5. Keep nearly 300 jobs.
6. Please expand the viewing area at the airport so more families can come and safely be part of the airport community.
7. STEM for adults (build their own planes)
8. The airport is critical piece of transportation infrastructure
9. Leave space open. Space for spot landing
10. Viewing area. Great activity for little kids.
11. Agreed, unleaded fuel.
12. Lead issues being resolved by EPA and FAA. Newer airplanes don't use lead.
13. Save the airport. It is too important to the city of Boulder.
14. Airport. Rescue education. All necessary.
15. Super pro. Keep the airport. I love it.
16. If you insist on keeping the airport, airport manager must be available all day Saturday and Sunday.
17. Airport/aviation crew be used to teach kids science.
18. Keep airport as is, keep small and local.
19. Close it.
20. Community space and runway viewing, food and restaurants.

21. The airport is a virtual resource for young aviators.
22. Keep the airport. It is a great resource.
23. If we lose the airport we can't get one back.
24. Airport important for wildfire management and operations
25. Neighbors support the airport.
26. Has anyone studied the impacts of pollution from Leaded fuel used in airplanes?
27. Let's start with Monday through Friday.
28. These are some bad actor pilots flying north of Jay Rd. should be reprimanded.
29. Implement BVCP 6/23 assess potential for housing
30. Airport to remain.
31. The airport is an important subcommunity within Boulder. It is used by so many youth programs.
32. Regulate so props don't go supersocial (noise).
33. We don't know what the future holds, regarding emergencies and climate issues.
34. For a walker on 4 mile trail - the noise of circling airplanes is unwelcome. I get that it's fun for them.
35. Airport generates revenue and supports medivac and rescue. Keep it and upgrade.
36. Friendships made at airport =community
37. Make airport self managed by person group who runs the FBO.
38. I was born and raised by the airport. It's been an invaluable experience for my life. Father and brother fly, my son is interested.
39. Get rid of paragliders/trespassers.
40. This airport is such a vital part of our community. Please, please do not take it away.
41. Don't build housing in the path of the runway. (Outside airport suggestion).
42. Value of programming - WWII Ball Event
43. Generate tens of millions of dollars of economic benefit as an airport.

44. Support air wildfire efforts.
45. Value of education and training at the airport is high.
46. Terminal Building could use a little updating.
47. BDU provides grounds for the local Civil air patrol squadron, which allows search and rescue training and prepare to be of service to Boulder.
48. There are too many general aviation airports. Noise, lead and air pollution. Tear down the airport and build something that will benefit all.
49. KBDU is wonderful space for civil air patrol. It is great facility for our squadron to meet and educate youth about emergency services, aerospace education and leadership.
50. How can [we] attract more companies/research groups to use the airport?
51. The airport is a big part of why I moved to Boulder.
52. Consider tax and monthly revenues from hangers.
53. Recognition of importance of BDU for emergency services, rescue, wildfire, and hospital.
54. The community needs the airport.
55. The future of aviation for small airports are invaluable to the communities they serve.
56. Airport desperately needs instrument procedures
57. Treat airport as recreation amenity like parks, golf course, etc.
58. "At the time of the next airport master plan the city will work with the community to reassess the potential for developing a portion of the airport for housing and neighborhood serving uses." How did this throw away statement that most council members probably didn't even know was in the plan kick off a process that is threatening our airport? Other than investing in the airport. Please change nothing.
59. I'm a master gardener. Plant some trees and O2 the air more around there. We have 650 trees and are contributing O2 from pollution.
60. Importance of Airport. - Provide skills toward employment, youth eagles, exposure to flying for those who might not experience it, programs to rescue animals (via flights) Pilots and paws and animal rescuing.

61. I would like to see a proper FBO operation for private jets, planes and helicopters. This can bring higher revenues for the city and attract more investors. I run an aircraft detailing business in Aspen and Vail. The FBO is by far the most profitable part of those airports.
62. Airport is an important community resource. It provides strategic location for firefighting, mitigation, emergencies. Creates jobs to local youth and mentorship, Trainings future airlines pilots for you to visit family and vacation time.
63. Solar powered/electric aircraft
64. The airport is valuable for the community.
65. Hangers - Get rid of reversal clause
66. Keep the airport - the glider facility is wonderful. We love watching the small planes. - Neighbor for 55 years.
67. Fewer cars! More bicycles and pedestrian, smaller and more frequent transit.
68. I live next to a noisy school (air conditioning units) and would trade to live by the airport.
69. Longer runways for jets
70. Keep the airport alive.
71. I'd love to see the airport users and the airport complianers sit together and know each other. The city could invite the airport neighbors to take glider/power flights (city paid) to experience the magic of flight.
72. Save the airport for the future use. Electrified aviation is coming sooner than you think once it is gone we will never get it back.



### **Airport Economics**

1. What type of rules and how do you patrol
2. Preference for city residents for hangar waitlist
3. Publish the waitlist for hangars
4. Boulder is a local airport that changed several years ago to training without community input. There are better options for pilot training than Boulder's small landing strip.
5. Why aren't sales taxes raised at airport used for the airport?
6. More friendly lease
7. This whole project and conversation is looking for a problem where there is none. Spend that city's tax dollars on something more worthwhile like housing and businesses failing in the city center (i.e. Pearl Street).
8. City of Boulder does provide support (space opportunity) via CAP and EAA
9. Provides access to youth
10. Partnerships for training
11. I don't understand this process. How do the dots get weighted? Why are there no guides to how to use the dots? Can I put 10 on the bullet I really want? With no instructions and no voting control this data is absolutely worthless and a total waste of my time. And my city's funds.
12. Soaring - Access to world class soaring, home to the best soaring pilots in the US/World, Safe Glider Training, Affordable/Sustainable Glides Operations
13. The Airport Benefits section is not useful as it is stated. No one could identify a benefit? Perhaps we should speak to the pilots.
14. Is there a budget shortfall for the airport? Why add fees?
15. Substantial scientific research based at the airport, Scientific aviation, national ecological observatory network.
16. Training - 1. Educational Access and Opportunity - KBDU is a hidden education/experiential gem. Local school districts with STEM and non-STEM programming could better utilize what KBDU has to offer. 2. EAA Young Eagles - Free flight for youth 8 - 17. KBDU is a venue for giving local kids the experience of flight in a small aircraft. This is such a unique event to instill and inspire kids to fly - our

future aviators. 3. You Outreach - KBDU has so much potential to provide aviation access for youth from all backgrounds.

17. The airport is a valuable, intergral part of the community. Pilot training, emergency services (fire and flood), research. Concerns about leaded fuel will go away in the next 3-5 years. Yes, the airport could be better with: 1. Voluntary noise abatement program enforcement. 2. Some airplanes are just too loud.

### **Airport Operations**

1. Unleaded fuel has been approved
2. Unleaded fuel is coming in +/- 2 years
3. City of Boulder - Leaded fuel is not good. Unleaded fuel is now available. Please subsidize the used and switch to unleaded fuel.
4. Boulder can/should become an early adopter of new unleaded gas.
5. Why not offer unleaded fuel at the airport. The cessna's reportedly operate better on unleaded fuel. The lead in soil could also be from when cars ran on leaded.
6. Very few cities have the privilege of having an airport. Don't destroy this valuable asset!
7. FAA has approved at least one non/leaded fuel. When they bring it online - all planes will be required to use it.
8. Lead and other heavy metals exist naturally here in the Rockies. And, lead will exist in the soil irrespective of airplane emissions
9. With the concerns of lead in the soil. Avgas is also offered "100 UL" or unleaded fuel. Compliant aircraft engines may safely run on this fuel.
10. Profound, low cost, inspirational programs such as civil air patrol cadets operate here to inspire future aviators.
11. Unleaded automotive gas available at Longmont. It should be available here.
12. EPA tested for lead at the run-up areas of Longmont airport and found no lead near actionable levels.
13. Why were schools built in flight paths?
14. Please do not take away this wholesome program when our youth needs it more than ever.
15. No! The airport is part of the community.
16. Keep in mind that operations surrounding airports. Ft. Collins, Fort-Love, Erie, etc. All FH around the area and mostly don't land at Boulder's airport.
17. This would be very short sided.
18. First housing and then what?

19. Walden Ponds - the airport noise on the weekdms at Walden ponds is very, very distrubing. It's not just people who are affected by the continuous take offs and landings.
20. Essential fueling site for BCU medivacs, incident command and response site in emergencies.
21. Positive; education opportunities for youth and underserved community
22. We need weekend airport manager - not leave message - solve the problem
23. Flying towerplanes is like a master class in situational awareness. It is a tremendous stepping stone for a career in aviation.
24. Airport access drives scientific groups to locate in Boulder. NEON 70 million per year budget is based in Boulder.
25. Unleaded aviation fuel is not far away - don't need to change policy for this issue to change in the near future.
26. Is there a suggestion that the runways are not compliant to FFA regs? Is so, how?
27. Sell unleaded fuel at BDU. Pilots will get the STC and use it.
28. Lead conversion to unleaded and electric and solar power
29. Efforts can be made to minimize noise and imporve flight paths and operations.
30. Why is it presumed that the Boulder municipal airport needs an alternative? At a time where wildfire risks are increasing shouldn't we want to maintain this valuable infrastructure for air based fire operations?
31. I would like to see an FBO operation for private jets. It will bring a lot more revenue for the county. More private hangers too.
32. We are neighbors to the north of the airport and we are very supportive of the airport. It is an incredible resource to the city and country and changes should be carefully considered.

### **Land Use and Engagement**

1. Mixed income
2. Start now!
3. Little market rate
4. 60 - 150% AMV
5. No private cars, Vanban
6. Vanban, Freiburg, Germany
7. Civil air patrol would love to help with these, boulder. Cap.gov
8. Has airport noise in the areas of the schools been measured road noise is? Much higher where I live than airport noise.
9. Boulder has 100K acres of open space. Why are we talking about 180 acres at the airport?
10. We need affordable housing
11. Best opportunity in Boulder to develop middle income permanently affordable housing!
12. Housing is a much bigger problem than the airport can solve. Boulder needs denser housing. Closing the airport only means we lose valuable resources. It does not solve the housing problem.
13. If you want to reduce noise, please slow highway 36 speed between Table Mesa and Baseline. It is noisier than the airport.
14. Already exists with apps like Flightaware
15. Improve accuracy of flight map
16. Housing is coming to East Boulder. (E. Boulder subcomm. Plan). Are airport operations still compatible?
17. Everyone involved with the increase in density around the airport moved in with full knowledge of the airport's existence. They consciously chose to move next to our airport. They accepted it when it served their personal interest, but now want to deny its right to exist.
18. Expand the play area for kids to watch
19. Weekend supervision and communication with pilot groups.

20. In the last 6 to 7 years noise and pollution from the airport affect quality of life in East Boulder. One guy in a plane and one guy in glider should have the power to disturb the children, animals and people who have to live with it over and their neighborhood. This airport was not a problem before the increase in traffic especially on weekends.
21. Existing residential areas should be upzoned. Not giving away public resources to a developer.
22. I vote for repurposing the airport land for housing that is affordable, with transportation going to all parts of Boulder. The airport currently: contributes to air pollution, uses fossil fuels, is a big noise contributor in my area (Northfield Village), Scares me when planes are so low over my house, is used by a tiny minority of residents the airport could be moved to less populated areas or at least, stop the "touch and go" training.
23. This isn't just a city of Boulder issue. All Boulder county residents who live in the airport area should be allowed and encouraged to weight in on this decision regarding the future of the airport.

### **Safety and Noise**

1. First deal w/the noise pollution coming off Hwy-36. Then, lets talk about the exponetially less noise coming from airplanes over Boulder that are not likley coming from Boulder's airport.
2. NA procedures seem better than in many places, but some pilots would be unaware of them. Work on improving their visibility.
3. Living closer to the my flight schoool is a also an added benefit
4. Yes, I've lived next to KBDU for over 7 years and have had no issues to this day.
5. Which has not changed significantly since the airport was built. What impact on wildlife will all the homes have?
6. What alternative noise reduction and how?
7. Same concern of aiport community worried about retaliation on them and their families
8. What percentage of residents near the airport compalin about the noise? Is it really a "community issue" or a small handful of loud complainers?
9. How do these increase safety? Deviations from standard patterns will decrease safety
10. Don't buy a house near an airport if you don't want noise.
11. Airport operators concernd complaints are anonymous and complainers have access to all operators personal info.
12. Increase in noise
13. Noise is very disruptive to people who use Walden and Sawhill ponds for bird and wildlife viewing.
14. What is the goal of new traffic pattern?
15. What is the goal of evaluating touch and go activity?
16. For flight trainings electric trainers are a good option. Much quieter. Lower environmental impact
17. Allow quiet winch-launched gliders again like in the 1970s
18. The airport has been here longer than most of the people complaining about the noise
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### **Conversation Station**

1. I live near the airport and don't mind the noise at all. I see it as a critical part of our community.
2. In 20 years the airport is a thriving part of the community. We love it.
3. The airport is not used out of necessity for emergencies. It's convenient but not needed. RMMA VBO are more capable than BDU. Close BDU.
4. KBDU supports local education, economy, and public safety: maintaining it for the future of the city would be a positive investment for Boulder.
5. Light aircraft (w/lawnmower engines) are the only noise issue at the airport. Keep the airport
6. Helped with 2013 flood evacuation of Mtn. Towns!
7. Trying to close Boulder airport won't get rid of pilot on the front range. Just pilots know about KBDU's noise abatement. Pilots will be more likely to over fly the middle of Boulder and flat iron airport without KBDU.
8. Boulder airport is one of the last "mom and pop" airports on the front range in my opinion. As a former flight instructor at Journey's and student at UWD. I believe mom and pop FBOs is one the most inclusive caring experiences for CU students and local community members. Boulder is your small business of traveling.
9. No other airports compare
10. Publish a study on what percent of the population is bothered by the airport. I see mostly support in the comments.
11. The airport is a great place for international students at CU Boulder to further their passion for aviation which is unaffordable or non-existent in their own countries.
12. Keep the airport! Maybe improve with some community features, parks? Better enforce noise abatement rules. Make airport attractive to non-pilots.
13. High speed rail not GA airports
14. KBDU is perfect, wonderful airport the community the services just can't be matched!
15. Only pilots champion the airport. It's important to know how organized they are.
16. Agreed! This airport is home to many aviators and aspiring aviators.

17. All the forest fires, airplanes fought and saved neighborhoods.
18. Airports supports environmental research = NEON co.
19. Do nothing, keep the airport.
20. No major changes needed. Airport is great.
21. Airport needs to stay as is. Not for housing development zone 3. Continue plan North of 36 now.
22. I'm frustrated the city has approached the conversation asking "why should we close the airport?"  
Not from a perspective of what's the benefit of the airport how could we best use it?
23. Airports are for airports. Not for housing.
24. High value for training of search and rescue.
25. If airports goes away pilots drive cars to other airports, so more traffic. Keep the airport.
26. No more airport
27. J/H balance already!
28. What is EVTOL? Electric Vehicle, Take Off and Landing
29. MHG Flight training provides lower cost. Opportuniteis to our underserved communities (include scholarship).
30. Boulder airport is used for business, flight training, gliders, fire training, search and rescue. A city of 100,000 needs an airport. Keep the airport.
31. Why tear up the airport. Plenty of vacant land nearby to build on just north of the airport for example.  
How much will the city have to reimburse FAA for improvements?
32. Keep the airport like it is! There are so many people who use it. It makes our city more interesting.
33. EVTOL does not need a runway or "airport". Suspending 179 acres makes no sense. Close BDU. We can have housing and local business here for all.
34. The airport is where the ecosystem goes to die. Nothing regenerative here and it's a huge polluter of noise, lead and carbon. We need to be better stewards of the area than serving a few of the population.
35. Airport is perfect. Creates opportunities for local youth, Perfect location for emergencies procedures such as flooding, fire fighting, your future airline pilots train here.

36. The 179 acres could be a great site... for housing. We need it badly.

37. Think about the future. Boulder municipal airport will be a future EVTOL hub. Who wants the uber of air at boulder?



# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



## Appendix D. Public Comments – Comment Forms

### **Airport Economics**

1. What type of rules and how do you patrol
2. Preference for city residents for hangar waitlist
3. Publish the waitlist for hangars
4. Boulder is a local airport that changed several years ago to training without community input. There are better options for pilot training than Boulder's small landing strip.
5. Why aren't sales taxes raised at airport used for the airport?
6. More friendly lease
7. This whole project and conversation is looking for a problem where there is none. Spend that city's tax dollars on something more worthwhile like housing and businesses failing in the city center (i.e. Pearl Street).
8. City of Boulder does provide support (space opportunity) via CAP and EAA
9. Provides access to youth
10. Partnerships for training
11. I don't understand this process. How do the dots get weighted? Why are there no guides to how to use the dots? Can I put 10 on the bullet I really want? With no instructions and no voting control this data is absolutely worthless and a total waste of my time. And my city's funds.
12. Soaring - Access to world class soaring, home to the best soaring pilots in the US/World, Safe Glider Training, Affordable/Sustainable Glides Operations
13. The Airport Benefits section is not useful as it is stated. No one could identify a benefit? Perhaps we should speak to the pilots.
14. Is there a budget shortfall for the airport? Why add fees?
15. Substantial scientific research based at the airport, Scientific aviation, national ecological observatory network.
16. Training - 1. Educational Access and Opportunity - KBDU is a hidden education/experiential gem. Local school districts with STEM and non-STEM programming could better utilize what KBDU has to offer. 2. EAA Young Eagles - Free flight for youth 8 - 17. KBDU is a venue for giving local kids the experience of flight in a small aircraft. This is such a unique event to instill and inspire kids to fly - our

future aviators. 3. You Outreach - KBDU has so much potential to provide aviation access for youth from all backgrounds.

17. The airport is a valuable, intergral part of the community. Pilot training, emergency services (fire and flood), research. Concerns about leaded fuel will go away in the next 3-5 years. Yes, the airport could be better with: 1. Voluntary noise abatement program enforcement. 2. Some airplanes are just too loud.

### **Airport Operations**

1. Unleaded fuel has been approved
2. Unleaded fuel is coming in +/- 2 years
3. City of Boulder - Leaded fuel is not good. Unleaded fuel is now available. Please subsidize the used and switch to unleaded fuel.
4. Boulder can/should become an early adopter of new unleaded gas.
5. Why not offer unleaded fuel at the airport. The cessna's reportedly operate better on unleaded fuel. The lead in soil could also be from when cars ran on leaded.
6. Very few cities have the privilege of having an airport. Don't destroy this valuable asset!
7. FAA has approved at least one non/leaded fuel. When they bring it online - all planes will be required to use it.
8. Lead and other heavy metals exist naturally here in the Rockies. And, lead will exist in the soil irrespective of airplane emissions
9. With the concerns of lead in the soil. Avgas is also offered "100 UL" or unleaded fuel. Compliant aircraft engines may safely run on this fuel.
10. Profound, low cost, inspirational programs such as civil air patrol cadets operate here to inspire future aviators.
11. Unleaded automotive gas available at Longmont. It should be available here.
12. EPA tested for lead at the run-up areas of Longmont airport and found no lead near actionable levels.
13. Why were schools built in flight paths?
14. Please do not take away this wholesome program when our youth needs it more than ever.
15. No! The airport is part of the community.
16. Keep in mind that operations surrounding airports. Ft. Collins, Fort-Love, Erie, etc. All FH around the area and mostly don't land at Boulder's airport.
17. This would be very short sided.
18. First housing and then what?

19. Walden Ponds - the airport noise on the weekdms at Walden ponds is very, very distrubing. It's not just people who are affected by the continuous take offs and landings.
20. Essential fueling site for BCU medivacs, incident command and response site in emergencies.
21. Positive; education opportunities for youth and underserved community
22. We need weekend airport manager - not leave message - solve the problem
23. Flying towerplanes is like a master class in situational awareness. It is a tremendous stepping stone for a career in aviation.
24. Airport access drives scientific groups to locate in Boulder. NEON 70 million per year budget is based in Boulder.
25. Unleaded aviation fuel is not far away - don't need to change policy for this issue to change in the near future.
26. Is there a suggestion that the runways are not compliant to FFA regs? Is so, how?
27. Sell unleaded fuel at BDU. Pilots will get the STC and use it.
28. Lead conversion to unleaded and electric and solar power
29. Efforts can be made to minimize noise and imporve flight paths and operations.
30. Why is it presumed that the Boulder municipal airport needs an alternative? At a time where wildfire risks are increasing shouldn't we want to maintain this valuable infrastructure for air based fire operations?
31. I would like to see an FBO operation for private jets. It will bring a lot more revenue for the county. More private hangers too.
32. We are neighbors to the north of the airport and we are very supportive of the airport. It is an incredible resource to the city and country and changes should be carefully considered.

### **Land Use and Engagement**

1. Mixed income
2. Start now!
3. Little market rate
4. 60 - 150% AMV
5. No private cars, Vanban
6. Vanban, Freiburg, Germany
7. Civil air patrol would love to help with these, boulder. Cap.gov
8. Has airport noise in the areas of the schools been measured road noise is? Much higher where I live than airport noise.
9. Boulder has 100K acres of open space. Why are we talking about 180 acres at the airport?
10. We need affordable housing
11. Best opportunity in Boulder to develop middle income permanently affordable housing!
12. Housing is a much bigger problem than the airport can solve. Boulder needs denser housing. Closing the airport only means we lose valuable resources. It does not solve the housing problem.
13. If you want to reduce noise, please slow highway 36 speed between Table Mesa and Baseline. It is noisier than the airport.
14. Already exists with apps like Flightaware
15. Improve accuracy of flight map
16. Housing is coming to East Boulder. (E. Boulder subcomm. Plan). Are airport operations still compatible?
17. Everyone involved with the increase in density around the airport moved in with full knowledge of the airport's existence. They consciously chose to move next to our airport. They accepted it when it served their personal interest, but now want to deny its right to exist.
18. Expand the play area for kids to watch
19. Weekend supervision and communication with pilot groups.

20. In the last 6 to 7 years noise and pollution from the airport affect quality of life in East Boulder. One guy in a plane and one guy in glider should have the power to disturb the children, animals and people who have to live with it over and their neighborhood. This airport was not a problem before the increase in traffic especially on weekends.
21. Existing residential areas should be upzoned. Not giving away public resources to a developer.
22. I vote for repurposing the airport land for housing that is affordable, with transportation going to all parts of Boulder. The airport currently: contributes to air pollution, uses fossil fuels, is a big noise contributor in my area (Northfield Village), Scares me when planes are so low over my house, is used by a tiny minority of residents the airport could be moved to less populated areas or at least, stop the "touch and go" training.
23. This isn't just a city of Boulder issue. All Boulder county residents who live in the airport area should be allowed and encouraged to weight in on this decision regarding the future of the airport.

### **Boulder Planning Documents**

1. Importance of BDU for sustainable transportation, commercial freight and for people
2. While helis do offer some medical service, they don't need a runway. It's safe to say 95 - 98% of airport ops are sheer hobby. Even the flight training. What stats of students go onto commercial? We don't need 179 acres here.
3. The airport fiscally costs the city money and is not needed for emergency use. VBO and RMM are better. This myth has no data to back it.
4. I started my career flying at Boulder and now my job is flying cargo to keep the just-in-time supply chain going for American manufacturing. Boulder is a great home for my aviation life!
5. Keep nearly 300 jobs.
6. Please expand the viewing area at the airport so more families can come and safely be part of the airport community.
7. STEM for adults (build their own planes)
8. The airport is critical piece of transportation infrastructure
9. Leave space open. Space for spot landing
10. Viewing area. Great activity for little kids.
11. Agreed, unleaded fuel.
12. Lead issues being resolved by EPA and FAA. Newer airplanes don't use lead.
13. Save the airport. It is too important to the city of Boulder.
14. Airport. Rescue education. All necessary.
15. Super pro. Keep the airport. I love it.
16. If you insist on keeping the airport, airport manager must be available all day Saturday and Sunday.
17. Airport/aviation crew be used to teach kids science.
18. Keep airport as is, keep small and local.
19. Close it.
20. Community space and runway viewing, food and restaurants.



21. The airport is a virtual resource for young aviators.
22. Keep the airport. It is a great resource.
23. If we lose the airport we can't get one back.
24. Airport important for wildfire management and operations
25. Neighbors support the airport.
26. Has anyone studied the impacts of pollution from Leaded fuel used in airplanes?
27. Let's start with Monday through Friday.
28. These are some bad actor pilots flying north of Jay Rd. should be reprimanded.
29. Implement BVCP 6/23 assess potential for housing
30. Airport to remain.
31. The airport is an important subcommunity within Boulder. It is used by so many youth programs.
32. Regulate so props don't go supersocial (noise).
33. We don't know what the future holds, regarding emergencies and climate issues.
34. For a walker on 4 mile trail - the noise of circling airplanes is unwelcome. I get that it's fun for them.
35. Airport generates revenue and supports medivac and rescue. Keep it and upgrade.
36. Friendships made at airport =community
37. Make airport self managed by person group who runs the FBO.
38. I was born and raised by the airport. It's been an invaluable experience for my life. Father and brother fly, my son is interested.
39. Get rid of paragliders/trespassers.
40. This airport is such a vital part of our community. Please, please do not take it away.
41. Don't build housing in the path of the runway. (Outside airport suggestion).
42. Value of programming - WWII Ball Event
43. Generate tens of millions of dollars of economic benefit as an airport.

44. Support air wildfire efforts.
45. Value of education and training at the airport is high.
46. Terminal Building could use a little updating.
47. BDU provides grounds for the local Civil air patrol squadron, which allows search and rescue training and prepare to be of service to Boulder.
48. There are too many general aviation airports. Noise, lead and air pollution. Tear down the airport and build something that will benefit all.
49. KBDU is wonderful space for civil air patrol. It is great facility for our squadron to meet and educate youth about emergency services, aerospace education and leadership.
50. How can [we] attract more companies/research groups to use the airport?
51. The airport is a big part of why I moved to Boulder.
52. Consider tax and monthly revenues from hangers.
53. Recognition of importance of BDU for emergency services, rescue, wildfire, and hospital.
54. The community needs the airport.
55. The future of aviation for small airports are invaluable to the communities they serve.
56. Airport desperately needs instrument procedures
57. Treat airport as recreation amenity like parks, golf course, etc.
58. "At the time of the next airport master plan the city will work with the community to reassess the potential for developing a portion of the airport for housing and neighborhood serving uses." How did this throw away statement that most council members probably didn't even know was in the plan kick off a process that is threatening our airport? Other than investing in the airport. Please change nothing.
59. I'm a master gardener. Plant some trees and O2 the air more around there. We have 650 trees and are contributing O2 from pollution.
60. Importance of Airport. - Provide skills toward employment, youth eagles, exposure to flying for those who might not experience it, programs to rescue animals (via flights) Pilots and paws and animal rescuing.

61. I would like to see a proper FBO operation for private jets, planes and helicopters. This can bring higher revenues for the city and attract more investors. I run an aircraft detailing business in Aspen and Vail. The FBO is by far the most profitable part of those airports.
62. Airport is an important community resource. It provides strategic location for firefighting, mitigation, emergencies. Creates jobs to local youth and mentorship, Trainings future airlines pilots for you to visit family and vacation time.
63. Solar powered/electric aircraft
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65. Hangers - Get rid of reversal clause
66. Keep the airport - the glider facility is wonderful. We love watching the small planes. - Neighbor for 55 years.
67. Fewer cars! More bicycles and pedestrian, smaller and more frequent transit.
68. I live next to a noisy school (air conditioning units) and would trade to live by the airport.
69. Longer runways for jets
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71. I'd love to see the airport users and the airport complianers sit together and know each other. The city could invite the airport neighbors to take glider/power flights (city paid) to experience the magic of flight.
72. Save the airport for the future use. Electrified aviation is coming sooner than you think once it is gone we will never get it back.

### **Safety and Noise**

1. First deal w/the noise pollution coming off Hwy-36. Then, lets talk about the exponetially less noise coming from airplanes over Boulder that are not likley coming from Boulder's airport.
2. NA procedures seem better than in many places, but some pilots would be unaware of them. Work on improving their visibility.
3. Living closer to the my flight schoool is a also an added benefit
4. Yes, I've lived next to KBDU for over 7 years and have had no issues to this day.
5. Which has not changed significantly since the airport was built. What impact on wildlife will all the homes have?
6. What alternative noise reduction and how?
7. Same concern of aiport community worried about retaliation on them and their families
8. What percentage of residents near the airport compalin about the noise? Is it really a "community issue" or a small handful of loud complainers?
9. How do these increase safety? Deviations from standard patterns will decrease safety
10. Don't buy a house near an airport if you don't want noise.
11. Airport operators concernd complaints are anonymous and complainers have access to all operators personal info.
12. Increase in noise
13. Noise is very disruptive to people who use Walden and Sawhill ponds for bird and wildlife viewing.
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15. What is the goal of evaluating touch and go activity?
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21. As a home owner here for decades the airport has gotten out of control in recent years. It gets worse every year. This is not "you move near an airport" it's what the culture is. This airport has become .
22. Airports is an important community resources: - Creates opportunities for local youth. Provides placement emergency sources. Trains future airlines pilots.
23. Please publish the schedule for Comm. Eng. Conv. And MP development. Is there enough time to get an honest land use study and then engage with the community? I understood MP would start this summer. That is not enough ime to get into we need for an informed decision.
24. Enhance current airport capabilities: Design for next generation fuels: 100 unleaded, electric. Maintain firefighting capability, medevac, search and rescue capabilities. Empower local students to pursue STEM and aviation careers. Bolster the Boulder economy with buisness access to the sky within the city. Present history of aviation to locals. Provides glides flying capability to Colorado's north - a really unique instutution. Don't fall victims to predatory development practices.
25. This open house feels biased. Given that it's paid for by BDU operations and thus the tenants. This is not surprising, but very disappointing. We need an honest balanced comprehensive land use study. Citizens need this in order to be fully informed then we can have a conversation.
26. To the city council - By sessing "credits" from the "developers" to be used somewhere, anywhere else, you have eliminated any opportunity to combine income groups. The original idea was healthy, but has been destroyed. To demolish the airport, a viable economy, is foolish in my opinion. Boulder could be at the forefront of electric airplanes, why don't you pursue that?
27. Things that are plusses for Boulder - As seen as a huge taxpaying family since 1960 - Aerial ambulences have saved people lives, multiple times airport was turnedover to aerial firefighting - it was key in the formile fire ( My company was key during thatfire) and all other fires around boulder and Fort Collins, emergency hospital helicopters operate and train here, Trained aerial firefighters, backcountry alaskan critial transport, aerial survey pilots who fly enviromental research flew townplanes - that's were they gained experience. 2013 flood - Boulder was keyh to saving people (and pets) lives. Thousands of young eagles flights that introduce all sorts of children - some in conjunction with school STEM programs.

### **Conversation Station**

1. I live near the airport and don't mind the noise at all. I see it as a critical part of our community.
2. In 20 years the airport is a thriving part of the community. We love it.
3. The airport is not used out of necessity for emergencies. It's convenient but not needed. RMMA VBO are more capable than BDU. Close BDU.
4. KBDU supports local education, economy, and public safety: maintaining it for the future of the city would be a positive investment for Boulder.
5. Light aircraft (w/lawnmower engines) are the only noise issue at the airport. Keep the airport
6. Helped with 2013 flood evacuation of Mtn. Towns!
7. Trying to close Boulder airport won't get rid of pilot on the front range. Just pilots know about KBDU's noise abatement. Pilots will be more likely to over fly the middle of Boulder and flat iron airport without KBDU.
8. Boulder airport is one of the last "mom and pop" airports on the front range in my opinion. As a former flight instructor at Journey's and student at UWD. I believe mom and pop FBOs is one the most inclusive caring experiences for CU students and local community members. Boulder is your small business of traveling.
9. No other airports compare
10. Publish a study on what percent of the population is bothered by the airport. I see mostly support in the comments.
11. The airport is a great place for international students at CU Boulder to further their passion for aviation which is unaffordable or non-existent in their own countries.
12. Keep the airport! Maybe improve with some community features, parks? Better enforce noise abatement rules. Make airport attractive to non-pilots.
13. High speed rail not GA airports
14. KBDU is perfect, wonderful airport the community the services just can't be matched!
15. Only pilots champion the airport. It's important to know how organized they are.
16. Agreed! This airport is home to many aviators and aspiring aviators.

17. All the forest fires, airplanes fought and saved neighborhoods.
18. Airports supports environmental research = NEON co.
19. Do nothing, keep the airport.
20. No major changes needed. Airport is great.
21. Airport needs to stay as is. Not for housing development zone 3. Continue plan North of 36 now.
22. I'm frustrated the city has approached the conversation asking "why should we close the airport?"  
Not from a perspective of what's the benefit of the airport how could we best use it?
23. Airports are for airports. Not for housing.
24. High value for training of search and rescue.
25. If airports goes away pilots drive cars to other airports, so more traffic. Keep the airport.
26. No more airport
27. J/H balance already!
28. What is EVTOL? Electric Vehicle, Take Off and Landing
29. MHG Flight training provides lower cost. Opportuniteis to our underserved communities (include scholarship).
30. Boulder airport is used for business, flight training, gliders, fire training, search and rescue. A city of 100,000 needs an airport. Keep the airport.
31. Why tear up the airport. Plenty of vacant land nearby to build on just north of the airport for example.  
How much will the city have to reimburse FAA for improvements?
32. Keep the airport like it is! There are so many people who use it. It makes our city more interesting.
33. EVTOL does not need a runway or "airport". Suspending 179 acres makes no sense. Close BDU. We can have housing and local business here for all.
34. The airport is where the ecosystem goes to die. Nothing regenerative here and it's a huge polluter of noise, lead and carbon. We need to be better stewards of the area than serving a few of the population.
35. Airport is perfect. Creates opportunities for local youth, Perfect location for emergencies procedures such as flooding, fire fighting, your future airline pilots train here.

36. The 179 acres could be a great site... for housing. We need it badly.

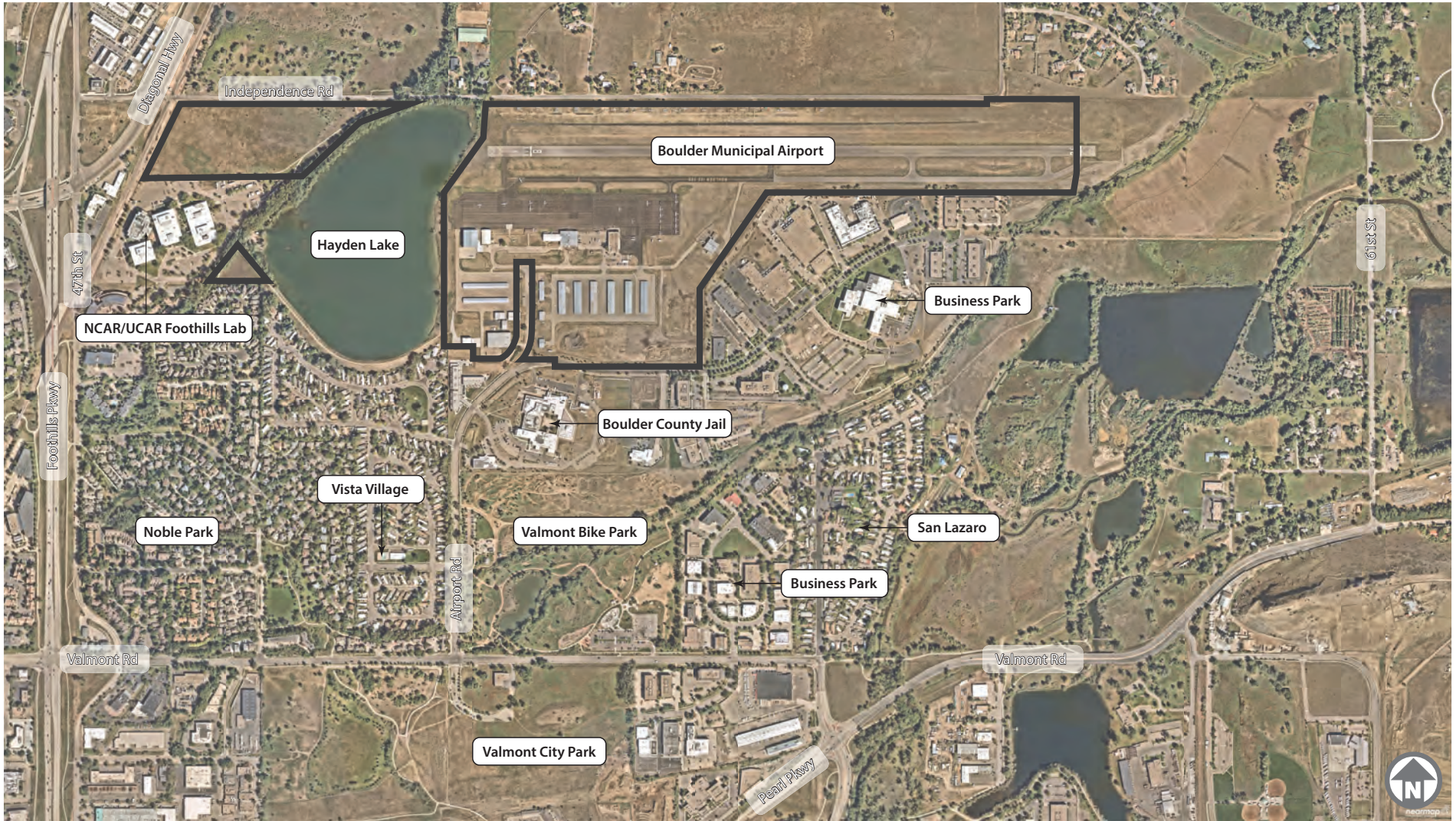
37. Think about the future. Boulder municipal airport will be a future EVTOL hub. Who wants the uber of air at boulder?

# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



## Appendix E. Public Meeting Airport Site Map

# AIRPORT AREA



# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



## Appendix F. Public Comments -Photos



Boulder Planning Documents

**Municipal Airport**

Boulder Municipal Airport is a general aviation airport that has been in existence since 1928. The airport will continue to ensure it meets the needs of the community by providing a safe environment for aviation business and business-related travel, scientific and research flights, recreation and tourism, flight training and vocational education, aerial fire-fighting, emergency medical flights as well as flood and other disaster-related support for the city and county.

The city will seek to mitigate noise, safety and other impacts of airport operations while assuring that new development in proximity will be compatible with existing and planned use of the airport. At the time of the next Airport Master Plan, the city will work with the community to reassess the potential for developing a portion of the airport for housing and neighborhood-serving uses.



Scan for more info

BOULDER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

**2007 AIRPORT MASTER PLAN**

**Goals**

- Operate in a safe and efficient manner
- Continue to serve the needs of the Boulder community
- Maximize compatibility with the community
- Maintain financial self-sustainability

**Highlights**

- The airport is self-sustaining and does not rely on Boulder General Fund or Transportation Fund
- Boulder Municipal Airport has received several FAA grants to offset some of the costs associated with airport upkeep
- Maintain an appealing appearance of the airport and standard of quality and condition used for city-owned and county-owned grounds and buildings, both city-owned and county-owned
- FAA grants were also used to acquire 49 of the acres of the airport

I'd love to see the airport planners and the city planners work together and see if you could invite the airport neighbors to take a tour of the city and see how the city can help with the airport and more of that.

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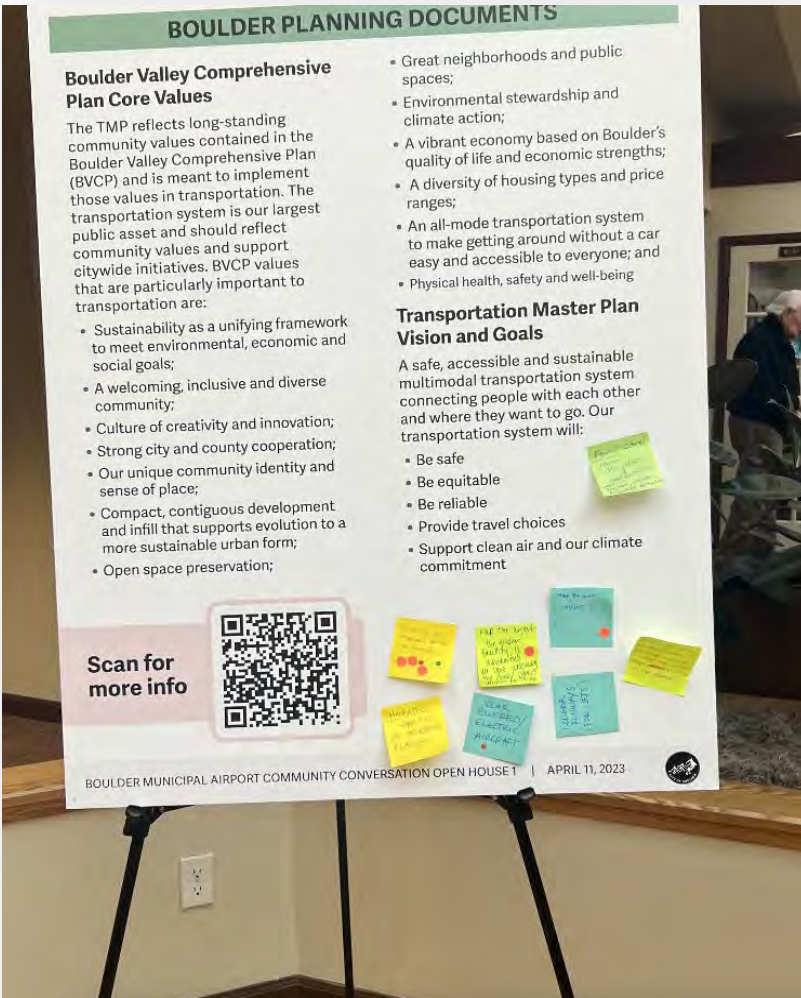


BOULDER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT COMMUNITY CONVERSATION OPEN HOUSE 1

**COMMUNITY CONVERSATION FEEDBACK**

Which elements do you think should be incorporated into future planning efforts?

A large board covered in colorful sticky notes (pink, yellow, green, blue) providing community feedback. The notes contain various suggestions and comments related to airport planning, such as 'Save the airport for future use', 'Airport is an important community resource', and 'I'm a Master Gardener. Plant some trees + Ozone the air more around here. We have 450 trees + are contributing Ozone from pollution 3883 574'.



Airport Economics

### COMMUNITY FEEDBACK - AIRPORT ECONOMICS

**Landing Fees**

- Recover facility and maintenance costs
- Implement technology solutions

**Tenant Accountability**

- Implement rules and regulations
- Enforce leasing policy
- Tenants need to understand long term plan for airport

**Airport Benefits**

- Additional study on economic benefits and costs
- FAA Rules and Regulations
- FAA does not enforce liability insurance

**Investment**

- Change lease structure so business can invest in new hangars and facilities
- Update building code to enable tenants to develop hangars without facility requirements of storage units
- Support the development of new hangars
- Improve FBO facilities to improve reputation and service

**Training**

- New pilot training to support nationwide aviation *demand for pilots*
- Youth outreach provides access to those who might not otherwise *Scholarships*
- Training operations are the cornerstone of some airport tenant's businesses

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*part-time job training*

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*The Project is a valuable integral part of the community...*

*Issues:*

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2. FAA rules and regulations...
3. FAA does not enforce liability insurance...

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Airport Operations

**COMMUN K - AIR**

**Leaded Fuel**

- Lead conversion to unleaded + electric
- Unleaded Fuel Has been approved
- City of Boulder Unleaded Fuel is not good. Unleaded fuel is not available. Please subsidize the need to switch to UNLEADED FUEL
- Unleaded Fuel at SDU. Pilot will get the SDU and use it.
- Unleaded Fuel is not good. Unleaded fuel is not available. Please subsidize the need to switch to UNLEADED FUEL

**Future Scenarios**

- Concern about flight traffic over schools and recreation areas
- Students have reported finding lead in the soil in their homes
- Impact on air quality
- Improve airport facilities
- Close the airport

**Glide**

- Safe with
- Tow
- resid

**Scier**

- Some
- Even

Other notes: "Unleaded Aviation Gas is available @ Longmont!", "It should be available Here!", "Unleaded aviation fuel is not for aviation - don't need to change policy further - issue to change in the near future", "Boulder can/should become an early adopter of new unleaded Avgas.", "Protound, low cost, Please do not inspirational..."

**COMMUN K - AIRPORT O**

**Glider Operations**

- Safety concerns about gliders sharing airspace with motorized aircraft
- Tow planes are noisy and tend to fly over residences

**Scientific Research**

- Some research operations cannot easily move
- Even if the operation moved to a different airport, all research is calibrated for Boulder - aircrafts may come back and fly over for calibration flights

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- Protound, low cost, Please do not inspirational... take away this wholesome program when our youth needs it more than ever
- No! The airport is a part of the community
- Keep in mind that operations from surrounding airports, RM, Fort-Louis, Erie, etc. all fly around the area and mostly don't land at Boulder's airport
- 1st Housing and then what?
- Efforts BE MADE
- Very disturbing
- Do not want

**air mobility**

**global safe County**

**RSATION**

**IL 11, 2023**

I would like to see an FBO operation for private jets. It will bring a lot more revenue for the county. More private hangars too!

Why is it requested that the Boulder would like another... at a trail...? How can we...? How can we...? How can we...?

# Land Use and Engagement

**COMMUNITY FEEDBACK - ENGAGEMENT AND LAND USE**

**Community Involvement**

- Community board with biannual updates to City Council
- Airport expenses better delineated in the transportation budget
- Provide web-based real time flight data

**Improve Relationship**

- Improve community relations
- Community movie nights
- Open a restaurant or café
- Airport supports crucial environmental, research and brings grant funding to Boulder
- Airport operations support innovation
- Share ways tenants are improving and abiding by voluntary noise abatement procedures
- Pilots and tenants need to be good neighbors and information should be shared with community members to understand the role of the airport

**Land Use and Planning**

- Density is increasing in areas around the airport, increasing the numbers of people impacted by the airport
- Schools were approved to operate near airport and are impacted by noise and environmental factors
- The city has affordable housing goals to meet

**Housing**

- Growth in areas around the airport is increasing the numbers of individuals impacted
- Affordable housing is needed in Boulder and the airport site is an interesting opportunity for meeting those needs
- Repurpose all or part of the airport for housing or neighborhood-serving uses

*Handwritten notes on board:*  
 - Weekend Supervision + communication w/ pilot groups  
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 - Has airport noise in the vicinity of the schools been mentioned?  
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Safety and Noise

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- Community concerns with pilots and airport users retaliating against them

What alternative to noise reduction now?

Increase in noise

What is the goal of new traffic pattern?

Noise is very disruptive to residents in the area...

As a pilot, I have been an eye for an eye...

SAFETY AND NOISE

Update Procedures

- Technical Noise Committee made up of airport tenants to address community complaints and buy-in
- Improve signage at the airport to educate departing pilots on noise abatement procedures
- Communicate to the public the steps the group is taking to address noise complaints

Community Relations

- Some pilots and users live in neighborhood adjacent to the airport
- Adhering to voluntary abatement procedures is important to some users and pilots
- Airport noise impacts the wildlife and environment surrounding Boulder

reduce traffic patterns

enforcement for individuals/companies who deactivate collision avoidance systems

introduce a traffic management program

privacy

Tenants complain that community members have access to their personal information through noise complaints

Community concerns with pilots and airport users

Abatement Procedures

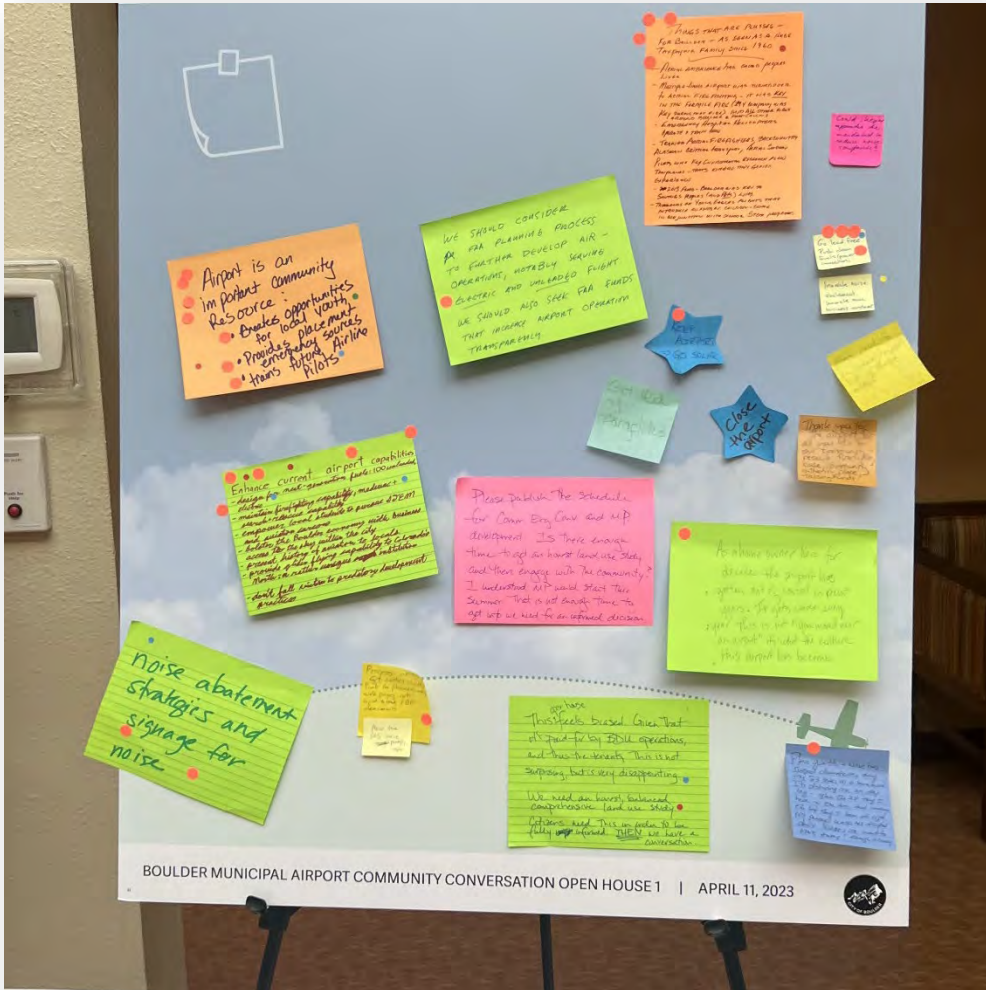
- Engage congressional delegations given similar themed proposed legislation
- Enhance flight tracking software capabilities
- Update rules, regulations, and leasing policies to incentivize compliance with the noise program
- Noise abatement procedures at Boulder are described as more strict than most airports

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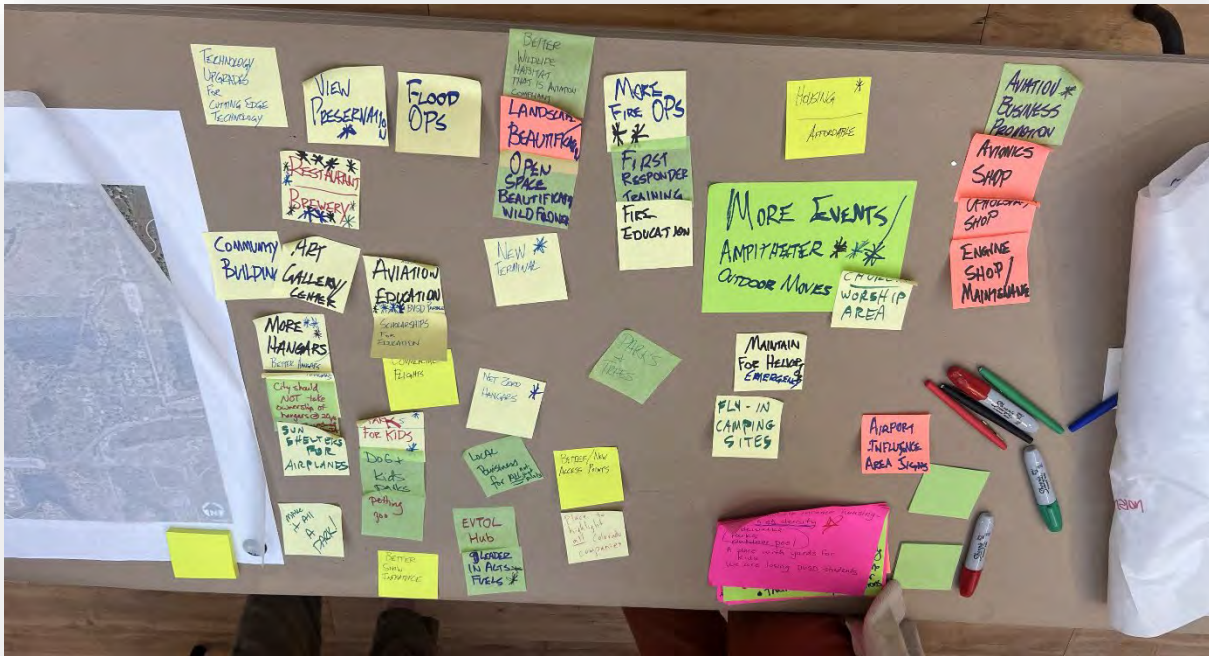
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Community Feedback



Vision



DO NOTHING - keep airport as is.  
 It's a beautiful open space. We love seeing the gliders every day. We are very concerned about additional traffic if multi housing goes in.  
 NOT THE RIGHT DIRECTION!

Build middle income housing -  
Not high density  
 Sidewalks  
 Parks  
 Outdoor pool  
 A place with yards for kids.  
 We are losing BUSD students.

DO NOTHING  
 The airport serves a critical pillar for emergency services during floods, fires etc.  
 Turning the area into affordable housing will depopulate existing homes in the area with increased traffic.  
 Independence is a high traffic road with runners, cyclists, neighbors walking don't turn into another busy road.  
 Everyone that bought in the area knew the airport was there.  
 There are other lots for affordable housing.

BOULDER AIRPORT  
 "EVERYTHING EVERYWHERE ALL AT ONCE"  
 • a new public space system  
 • a unique transportation experiment re peds +  
 • a working model to "BUILD" how access infrastructure  
 • DIVERSE HOUSING - a new green mixed income community with several neighborhoods  
 • SOUP GARDEN ENERGY PRODUCTION

Boulder Airport is an important resource!  
 Community opportunities for:  
 • Creates opportunities for local youth  
 • Provides strategic location for emergency services  
 • Trains future pilots for your vacations





# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



## Appendix G. Media Coverage

LOCAL NEWS

# Boulder hears from community members on the future of its airport

The first of three open houses occurred Tuesday night that allow Boulder residents to engage on the future master plan for the Boulder Municipal Airport.

Author: **Luis de Leon**

Published: **5:00 AM MDT April 12, 2023**

Updated: **10:24 PM MDT April 11, 2023**

BOULDER, Colo. — Community members filed into a lobby in Boulder Tuesday bringing with them curiosity and ideas about a property a few miles away – the [Boulder Municipal Airport \(BDU\)](#).

[According to the city](#), the airport is due for a new Airport Master Plan, which is a process that is guided by the FAA.

"I think at this point we could go in a variety of different directions," said Boulder's Senior Transportation Planner Allison Moore-Farrell at the first of three open houses Tuesday night.

[But in a separate project](#), the city kicked off a community engagement process in preparation of the future master plan to "...understand the community's desired future for Boulder Municipal Airport and recommended next steps." The first of three open houses occurred Tuesday night.

The final recommendation, the city said, are also based off of the city's [Transportation Master Plan](#) and the [Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan](#).

"It's kind of exciting to hear some community voices in this," Moore-Farrell said.



*Credit: Luis de Leon*

**Community members are addressed during an open house on the future of the Boulder Municipal Airport.**

### **A history lesson to guide understanding**

The city describes Boulder Municipal Airport as a general aviation airport. It started as a dirt landing strip in 1928, before the name was made official in 1943, according to presentations at the open house.

It received its first federal grant in 1958, and additional land was bought between 1964 and 1969.

But the type of aviation that occurred at the airport has largely stayed consistent, according to the airport's manager, John Kinney.

"You don't see too many jets coming in and out of the Boulder airport," he said, estimating that a private jet comes through BDU once every few weeks on most occasions.

The airport itself is mostly used by glider pilots, recreational pilots and first responders. The airport also does not have a control tower like Broomfield and Centennial do.

The airport is also not staffed 24/7, but did implement a flight tracking system in the spring of 2022.

“Right now, I think the community has a thirst to become more part of this airport and I think the pilot groups also want to find a way of how do we bring the community more into this airport so its more of a harmonistic relationship,” Kinney said.



*Credit: Foster Gaines*

**The Boulder Municipal Airport terminal building.**

On the website's FAQ, when asked why the conversation about the airport is starting now, it references the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan, "...which guides long-range planning in Boulder..."

In the plan's section on the airport, it states in part that, "The city will seek to mitigate noise, safety and other impacts of airport operation while assuring that new development in proximity will be compatible with existing and planned use of the airport."

It also says that at the time of the next Airport Master Plan, "...the city will work with the community to reassess the potential for developing a portion of the airport for housing and neighborhood-serving uses."

However, it remains unclear as of now which direction the city could move with the airport.



*Credit: Luis de Leon*

**Community members view presentations on the Boulder Municipal Airport.**

### **Analyzing potential**

City planners will take feedback before presenting proposals to council, but Moore-Farrell said it has to be a robust process with regards to community engagement.

“So we’re looking at continuing safety at the airport and continuing our operations...can we also introduce other land uses? Can we look at other ways to improve community relations at the airport?” she said.

While they have already received feedback on mitigating noise, they're also listening to feedback specific to aviation.

“And some things we’ve heard thus far is looking at the future of aviation and how that could benefit the city of Boulder,” she said. “Improvement can look different to different people.”

Kinney explained his take on the airport's potential on several levels.

“Whether it’s people learning to fly, people understanding the economic value of an airport – what it brings in terms of tangible economic impacts to the community,” he explained. “But at the same time not having the activities dominate or degrade the community’s quality of life to their homes.”

The city plans to have two more open houses, and will keep [an online questionnaire](#) public until May 4.

[LOCAL NEWS](#)

# Boulder hosts open house on Boulder Municipal Airport's future

By [AMY BOUNDS](#) | [boundsa@dailycamera.com](mailto:boundsa@dailycamera.com) | Boulder Daily Camera

March 28, 2023 at 3:04 p.m.

Boulder is seeking feedback on the future of the Boulder Municipal Airport through an in-person open house from 4 to 7 p.m. April 11.

The open house, the first of three, will be held at Brookdale North Boulder, 3350 30th St. Dates for the other two open houses haven't yet been set.

City staff members plan to introduce Boulder's [Airport Community Conversation](#) engagement project and share information about the airport's history, current uses, future opportunities and constraints. Community members also will be invited to provide feedback. Other participation options include upcoming online questionnaires.



# **Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation: Community Working Group (CWG)**

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## **Meeting 2 Summary April 13, 2023**





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## Introduction

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Meeting overview

This summary has been prepared to detail the notifications efforts and outcomes of the second CWG meeting. Additional details about the Community Conversation project can be found on the [project website](#).

## CWG Meeting 2

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### Meeting information

- Location: City of Boulder Open Space & Mountain Parks (2520 55th St, Boulder, CO 80301)
- Date: Thursday, April 13, 2023
- Time: 4:00 – 6:00 pm
- Number of Attendees: 23 CWG members, 11 project team members

### Project Team Attendees

John Kinney, COB  
Allison Moore-Farrell, COB  
Kathleen King, COB  
Ryan Hanschen, COB  
Dylan Swanson, COB  
Danielle Furuichi, COB  
Amalia Andrews, Kimley-Horn  
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## CWG Members

23 of the 38 member CWG attended the second meeting. The complete member list is included below.

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## Meeting Notifications

- Email invite to CWG members
- Email reminder and pre-work

## Presentation Topics

- Welcome and introductions
- Homework and Open House Discussion
- Evaluation Criteria Development Discussion

## Summary of Meeting and Breakout Discussions

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### Introductions, Homework Report and Open House Observations

CWG members were invited to report on their homework from the previous meeting. The question posed to the CWG was “how can the airport and the community coexist?” Those who attended the open house were invited to share their experience and observations. CWG members shared the following:

- Environmental Questions and Goals
  - There is concern about leaded fuel and the environmental impact. Interest in studying this impact if the airport is to remain in operation
  - A neighbor who lives within the flight path shared that their kids enjoy watching the airplanes. In their view, the city has limited growth intentionally through strong open space boundaries and should aim to stay on that path.
  - Some community members were surprised to learn that the aircraft at the airport uses leaded fuel.
  - Questions about the environmental needs of developing the site, there are fuel farms and other potential contamination of the site. Is alternative use possible?
- Community Relations
  - If the airport is repurposed, there is interest in making sure the community is involved the development of the future uses.
  - There needs to be compromise on both sides, for example, removing unleaded fuel could be a compromise for environmental impact, but noise will remain a concern.
  - Neighbors in a community close to the airport reported that they would like to see community members work on more respectful communications. Residents should be prepared for airplane noise if they live near and airport.
  - Neighbors in a community near Jay Road did not want to see the airport close. They like the emergency services and scientific research operations at the airport. Some suggestions were opening a community center or café on the site.
  - An airport tenant and business owner reported that they spoke to their clients about the question of coexisting. They expressed frustration about being asked to coexist – they felt they already do as residents and businesses in the city.



- One member reported concerns about the future. They expressed worry that the desire for development will never end – wanted to instead focus on community involvement.
- Concerns about retaliation from the aviation community, which has made some people resistant to share their opinion.
- Interest from the community in learning about the community working group and the community conversation project.
- The airport should find way to be more involved in the community.
- It is important that the community work together to keep the ball rolling to implement changes and the vision.
  
- **Airport Economics**
  - A CU Boulder student was surprised to learn there was an airport in Boulder. Would like to see if there is potential for commercial flights.
  - Neighbors expressed concern with the impact closing the airport would have on businesses that operate on the site.
  - Questions about what impact nearby GA airports would experience if BDU were closed.
  - Questions about the severity of the pilot shortage. Is commercial pilot training the purpose of the airport? If so, why is the city subsidizing this cost?
  
- **Alternative Use**
  - Interest in exploring multi-modal solutions including bicycle access, transit-oriented development, and affordable transportation solutions in the area.
  - Individuals who do not live near the airport felt that the site should be repurposed.
  - One member expressed interest in seeing housing studied at the site. They also reported hearing concerns about unleaded fuel, noise and safety on the site.
  - Interest in addressing missing middle housing and affordable housing.
  - Neighbors didn't mind the airport, but also expressed interest in affordable housing in Boulder.
  - Concern that any development would not be affordable housing and would instead be a luxury development that appeals to wealthy buyers.
  - This piece of land is interesting for the potential of affordable housing because it is owned by the city.



- Airport Operations
  - Do we need the touch and go's at the airport? Are the different ways the airport can support training?
  - One member expressed interest in learning more about the potential of electric aircraft and providing space for emergency response training.
  - The community used to coexist with the airport, but something in the operations has changed in the last few years. Concerned with airport noise that goes on late into the evening hours.
  - Enjoy aviation activities but acknowledged that the airport needs to improve.
  - There are technological innovations possible in the future that may address noise and environmental solutions.
  - Concern with how the airport is being used, not with the airport itself.
- Noise
  - One member spoke to people in their subdivision. Others agree that the noise from the airport has increased the last few years.
  - A neighbor close to the airport reports they are more bothered by traffic noise than airplane noise.
  - Implementing time limits on airport operations to address noise concerns.
- Open House
  - There were many passionate people who attended the open house who shared interesting ideas on repurposing and maintaining the airport.
  - It was interesting to see people's comments real time through the post-it notes.
  - Encouraged to see how many people turned out to the open house.
  - Enjoyed being able to connect with new people who are not connected with the airport and hear perspectives of the community.
  - One member reported that attending the open house opened their mind to the perspectives and concerns of the broader community.
  - Encouraged that young people who are in flight training attended they open house. They were enthusiastic about aviation and has a positive attitude.
  - Encouraged by the turnout, reported that it was the best attended open house they have been to.

## Evaluation Considerations Development Discussion

In the second part of the meeting, planners provided a brief overview of how the scenarios would be developed for this project. The scenarios will be developed by implementing ideas and feedback gathered from the CWG, the open houses and community questionnaires. To develop these scenarios to be compatible with city of Boulder policy, all scenarios must be built in alignment with the Sustainability and Resilience Framework. This framework guides budgeting and planning processes by providing consistent goals necessary to achieve Boulder's vision of a great community and the actions required to achieve them. This framework is included in its entirety in **Appendix A**.



The city will accomplish the vision of the Sustainability and Resilience Framework by building a community that is:

- Safe
- Healthy and socially thriving
- Livable
- Accessible and connected
- Environmentally sustainable
- Responsibly governed
- Economically vital

The CWG was invited to think about what actions might be necessary to make sure the scenarios meet Boulders goals. CWG members were asked to rank which values are most important to them and think about criteria that would be important to use to evaluate the airport scenarios. From the feedback provided by the CWG, the project team crafted some suggested evaluation considerations. The suggested evaluation considerations are attached in **Appendix B**. The feedback provided by the CWG is included as **Appendix C**.



## Meeting Wrap Up

Before the next CWG meeting, the project team will begin working on summarizing community feedback and developing scenarios. CWG 3 will be a workshop dedicated to feedback and comments on the draft scenarios.

- The third CWG meeting will be **Thursday, June 7, 2023**.
- The project team will begin drafting the initial scenarios for the CWG to review.
- The project team will summarize comments from the open house and questionnaire for the CWG to review.
- The project team will host a casual CWG get-together in May. The details will be shared with the group soon.

## Take Aways

- In addition to developing the long-term vision for the airport, we need to find ways to address near-term concerns.



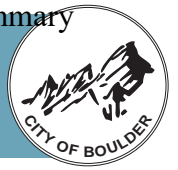




## Appendices

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### Appendix A. Sustainability and Resilience Framework



# SUSTAINABILITY + RESILIENCE FRAMEWORK

**PURPOSE STATEMENT:** The City of Boulder continuously works to provide service excellence for an inspired future. This framework guides budgeting and planning processes by providing consistent goals necessary to achieve Boulder's vision of a great community and the actions required to achieve them.

**VISION:** A future with equitable access to health, prosperity and fulfillment; where our community adapts and thrives in response to emerging, and sometimes urgent, social, economic and environmental challenges.

*We accomplish this purpose and vision by supporting and further building a community that is:*



## SAFE

A welcoming and inclusive community that fosters personal and community safety and ensures that all residents are secure and cared for during emergencies and natural disasters.



## HEALTHY & SOCIALLY THRIVING

All Boulder residents enjoy high levels of physical and mental well-being and abundant recreational, cultural and educational opportunities in an environment where human rights are respected.



## LIVABLE

High-performing, safe, well-maintained and attractive buildings and infrastructure that accommodate a diverse set of community needs for working, playing and living.



## ACCESSIBLE & CONNECTED

A safe, accessible and sustainable multi-modal transportation system that connects people with each other and where they want to go. Innovation, inclusivity and open access to information fosters connectivity and promotes community engagement.



## ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE

A sustainable, thriving and equitable community that benefits from and supports clean energy; preserves and responsibly uses the earth's resources; and cares for ecosystems.



## RESPONSIBLY GOVERNED

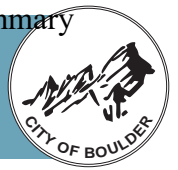
A local government that provides an excellent customer experience, responsibly manages the city's assets and makes data-driven decisions informed by community engagement.



## ECONOMICALLY VITAL

All residents and businesses can access and benefit from a healthy and sustainable economy that is innovative, diverse and collaborative.

# SUSTAINABILITY + RESILIENCE FRAMEWORK OBJECTIVES



## SAFE

- Enforces the law while considering the needs of individuals and community values.
- Plans for and provides equitable, timely and effective services and responses to emergencies and natural disasters.
- Fosters a climate of safety for individuals in homes, businesses, neighborhoods, streets, sidewalks, bike lanes and public places.
- Encourages shared responsibility, provides education on personal and community safety and fosters an environment that is welcoming and inclusive.



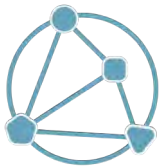
## HEALTHY & SOCIALLY THRIVING

- Cultivates a wide-range of recreational, cultural, educational, civic and social opportunities for all socio-economic and age groups.
- Supports the physical and mental well-being of its community members.
- Fosters inclusion, diversity and equity.



## LIVABLE

- Promotes and sustains a secure, clean and attractive place to live, work and play.
- Provides a variety of housing types with a full range of affordability.
- Provides appropriate regulation of development and high-performing, well-maintained public infrastructure.
- Encourages sustainable development of infrastructure and buildings supported by reliable, affordable city services.
- Supports and enhances neighborhood livability and walkability for all members of the community.



## ACCESSIBLE & CONNECTED

- Offers and encourages a variety of safe, comfortable, affordable, reliable, convenient and clean mobility options.
- Supports a balanced transportation system that reflects effective land use, manages congestion and facilitates strong regional multimodal connections.
- Provides effective infrastructure and services that will encourage diverse populations to connect to nature and the larger community.
- Provides open access to information, encourages innovation, enhances communication and promotes community engagement.



## ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE

- Rapidly transitions from fossil fuels to clean, renewable energy.
- Ensures the efficient use of natural resources in a manner that does not deplete them over time.
- Protects and enhances the biodiversity and productivity of ecological systems.
- Enhances the ability of urban, wildland and agricultural ecosystems to capture and stabilize atmospheric carbon and provide critical buffering against climate extremes.



## RESPONSIBLY GOVERNED

- Models stewardship and sustainability of the city's financial, human, information and physical assets.
- Supports strategic decision-making with opportunities for engagement and timely, reliable and accurate data and analysis.
- Enhances and facilitates transparency, accuracy, efficiency, effectiveness and quality customer service in all city business.
- Supports, develops and enhances relationships between the city and community/ regional partners.
- Provides assurance of regulatory and policy compliance.



## ECONOMICALLY VITAL

- Supports an environment for creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship.
- Promotes a well-educated, skilled and diverse work force that meets employers' needs.
- Fosters a collaborative and resource rich regional business climate.
- Attracts, sustains and retains a diverse mix of businesses, entrepreneurs and jobs that support the needs of all community members.
- Supports financial security, economic opportunity and social mobility for all.



## Appendix B. Suggested Evaluation Considerations

**CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise**

**Sustainability And Resilience Framework Category**  
Priority

**Safe**  
10

**Evaluation Considerations**

Evaluation Considerations	Emergency response operation
Evaluation Considerations	Sustainable practice and water management
Evaluation Considerations	Other

<b>CWG Comment</b>	<b>Suggested Evaluation Consideration</b>
Facilities for natural disaster response	Emergency response operation
help with natural disasters	Emergency response operation
Medivac/Fire and rescue presence at the airport. Making people aware of the help to the community	Emergency response operation
Well lit and more pedestrian and bike oriented. No cars	Sustainable practice and water management
Keeping water at a sustainable rate	Sustainable practice and water management
who holds the liability for negative outcomes? Can the harm or help that it causes be quantified?	Other
Gun free zone	Other

## CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise

**Sustainability And Resilience Framework Category**  
Priority

**Healthy & Socially Thriving**  
13

<b>Evaluation Considerations</b>	
Evaluation Considerations	Community Gathering Space and Places for Art
Evaluation Considerations	Diversify Site Uses
Evaluation Considerations	Integrating with Surrounding Uses
Evaluation Considerations	Provide Educational Opportunities
Evaluation Considerations	Other

<b>CWG Comment</b>	<b>Suggested Evaluation Consideration</b>
Opportunities for public art and gathering spaces	Community gathering space and places for Art
Pro-social, community oriented, a place where people belong	Community gathering space and places for Art
Safe gathering place for everybody- children friendly	Community gathering space and places for Art
consider the expanded benefits of extended uses of the land	Diversify site uses
care for others around the site/usage	Diversify site uses
Access to local businesses	Diversify site uses
promotes and provides activities that don't impact surrounding neighborhoods (not a conc	Diversify site uses
The site enhances well-being for a broad cross section of the community	Diversify site uses
invite access and activities beyond one niche that might be open year round	Integrating with surrounding Uses
diverse	Integrating with surrounding Uses
Invites community activities that are cohesive with the other neighborhoods	Integrating with surrounding Uses
Promotes enjoyment and likelihood of all types of users to the area and not one kind of activity	Integrating with surrounding Uses
Serves broader community	Integrating with surrounding Uses
amount of public open space, multi-use paths, parklets	Integrating with surrounding Uses
education opportunities	Provide educational opportunities
Respecting and understanding each others needs	Provide educational opportunities
Provide scholarships/local school for ASP and Flying	Provide educational opportunities
Move toward net zero energy consumption	Other
racial equity instrument	Other
diverse community	Other
Is it making the community less healthy	Other
Contributes to more people being able to affordably live in Boulder	Other
people space separated from regional travel	Other

**CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise**

**Sustainability And Resilience Framework Category**  
Priority

**Livable**  
11

**Evaluation Considerations**

Evaluation Considerations	Balance the needs of air travel and surrounding uses
Evaluation Considerations	Opportunity to support residential uses
Evaluation Considerations	Provide amenities (both transportation and recreation) for residents
Evaluation Considerations	Other

<b>CWG Comment</b>	<b>Suggested Evaluation Consideration</b>
takes into account current "flavor" or characteristics of neighborhood	Balance the needs of air travel and surrounding uses
Assess impact of other communities (airports) on our airspace and airport	Balance the needs of air travel and surrounding uses
Something for all Boulder residents	Balance the needs of air travel and surrounding uses
Proper balance between a few individuals (pilots) and 1,000s of residents	Balance the needs of air travel and surrounding uses
Paramount that communities can be free of noise	Balance the needs of air travel and surrounding uses
serves a broad cross section of the community	Balance the needs of air travel and surrounding uses
Affordable housing to? If the land was to be use for housing?	Opportunity to support residential uses
# of housing units #of jobs	Opportunity to support residential uses
Accessible to the public via bikes	Provide amenities (both transportation and recreation) for residents
Quality of life/work	Provide amenities (both transportation and recreation) for residents
amenities and recreation for residents	Provide amenities (both transportation and recreation) for residents
Mutual respect	Other
does it support a Boulder workforce that doesn't have to come from outside the community?	Other
# of Boulder residents who will use the site	Other
Self sustainable, space not requiring additional tax dollars for community	Other
what s the quality of life for those who live around the site?	Other



**CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise**

**Sustainability And Resilience Framework Category**  
Priority

**Accessible & Connected**  
3

**Evaluation Considerations**

Evaluation Considerations	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
<b>CWG Comment</b>	<b>Suggested Evaluation Consideration</b>
Sidewalks to the airport	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
Can it put people within a 15-minute neighborhood? Or facilitate its development	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
Makes tangible, significant contribution to city's transport goals of -build/shift to transit+biikeways less car travel less climate pollution	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
Bike accessible	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
Multi-modal travel	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
Future of transportation/innovation	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
Vision zero multi-modal all ages all-abilities	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals
Can't those who don't "buy in" use the publicly funded facility?	Advance Multi-modal transportation goals

**CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise**

**Sustainability And Resilience Framework Category**  
Priority

**Environmentally Sustainable**  
12

**Evaluation Considerations**

Evaluation Considerations	Allow for the integration of future aviation tech
Evaluation Considerations	Minimize impact to wildlife and natural environment
Evaluation Considerations	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Evaluation Considerations	Other

<b>CWG Comment</b>	<b>Suggested Evaluation Consideration</b>
Adopt unleaded when it becomes available. Keep prices low so people fill-up vs going to other airports and getting leaded fuel	Allow for the integration of future aviation tech
Cutting edge/future looking, model and test bed for sustainability	Allow for the integration of future aviation tech
Increase awareness of grates available to airport users (future aviators) by coordination with our learning institutions	Allow for the integration of future aviation tech
unleaded fuel how long realistically until it is delivered?	Allow for the integration of future aviation tech
Be the leader in electric planes and research	Allow for the integration of future aviation tech
impact of space on existing osprey water fowl and prairie dog populations	Minimize impact to wildlife and natural environment
Is the use best compatible with wildlife and cohabitation	Minimize impact to wildlife and natural environment
Regenerative aspects, what helps promote pollinators for example?	Minimize impact to wildlife and natural environment
Does this contribute to city's sustainability?	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
green-minded	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Promotes environmental health	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Carbon footprint	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Water quality impact	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Significant contribution to deep decarbonization in short and long term?	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Needs to be environmentally sustainable and ready to help with extreme events	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
The site serves the highest and best use to meet Boulder's sustainability goals	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Impact on vehicle miles traveled	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Future net zero energy	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Least pollution and most responsive to air and water quality needs	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Does the property best serve healthy air and water quality, or harm it?	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Climate impact	Further Boulder's sustainability goals
Long range visions and equity in end result	Other
Do some lead testing both at the airport and throughout the valley to see if levels are truly elevated or heresy	Other
a model for other cities. What if everyone does what we do?	Other

**CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise**

**Sustainability And Resilience Framework Category**  
Priority

**Responsibly Governed**  
5

**Evaluation Considerations**

Evaluation Considerations	Ensure the Airport provides The best service possible
Evaluation Considerations	Balance the needs for regulation (easements, utilities etc...) with the the need for broad uses
Evaluation Considerations	Provide clarity an consistency in all plans for the airport
Evaluation Considerations	Other

<b>CWG Comment</b>	<b>Suggested Evaluation Consideration</b>
Provide basic services before dreaming	Ensure the Airport provides The best service possible
How does space remain a city assets using it to extend resources	Ensure the Airport provides The best service possible
Not too much regulation/rules. Therefore allowing broad use	Balance the needs for regulation (easements, utilities etc...) with the the need for broad uses
Logical thinking in regards to traffic and impact on neighbors	Balance the needs for regulation (easements, utilities etc...) with the the need for broad uses
Appropriate easements place per usage (including surrounding area)	Balance the needs for regulation (easements, utilities etc...) with the the need for broad uses
Are all stakeholders considered?	Provide clarity an consistency in all plans for the airport
Who is ultimately responsible? Who is in charge? Who makes the decisions?	Provide clarity an consistency in all plans for the airport
Responsive government, careful, deliberate planning	Provide clarity an consistency in all plans for the airport
Evidence based decisions	Provide clarity an consistency in all plans for the airport
Does it provide a use of the community that can't be found/located elsewhere?	Other
Does it do the most good for the most number of people?	Other
Assurance of diversity	Other
Open houses/recuring days for firms to find candidates interested in aviation careers?	Other

**CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise**

**Sustainability And Resilience Framework Category**  
Priority

**Economically Vital**  
13

Evaluation Considerations	
Evaluation Considerations	Job creation and job growth
Evaluation Considerations	Provide diverse business options
Evaluation Considerations	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Evaluation Considerations	Other

CWG Comment	Suggested Evaluation Consideration
Does it provide jobs or future jobs	Job creation and job growth
# of jobs	Job creation and job growth
Provides jobs and job training	Job creation and job growth
Jobs and job training	Job creation and job growth
creates jobs and revenue	Job creation and job growth
Primary employment	Job creation and job growth
Year round employment open to young and old that provide livable wages, healthiness, steady work	Job creation and job growth
Local biz and jobs open to all of and a variety of skills of the community and not just a niche	Provide diverse business options
Jobs that provide goods and services to the entire community, like a hair salon, shops or other community need s	Provide diverse business options
Mixed use housing and businesses	Provide diverse business options
Serves our workforce	Provide diverse business options
Draws more people/community to participate or at lease be able to participate	Provide diverse business options
Business incubator space/focus on aeronautics programs	Provide diverse business options
Opportunity to support more/other businesses that aren't aviation-dependent	Provide diverse business options
Included in attracting new investment (jobs) long term for Boulder	Provide diverse business options
Does it pay for itself?	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Self sustaining	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Economically sustains itself without additional city money	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Taxes paid to city	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Is making money	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Property taxes, business taxes	Provide stable tax base/revenue
self-sustaining economics that generate benefits broadly and equitably with subsidies accounted for and transparent *subsidies include value and opportunity cost of use of public resources	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Access economic impact of airport - real data	Provide stable tax base/revenue
Accessible to grant money for airport	Other
Is this for making money at the expense of people lives or can it be making money to benefit the community?	Other
Employment	Other
Illegible	Other
Benefits community	Other
can people plan far into the future	Other
long term assets	Other



## Appendix C. CWG Evaluation Considerations Comments



### CWG Meeting 2 Evaluation Considerations Exercise: Comment Data

The following feedback was provided by the CWG during the sticky note exercise. These comments provided the project team information about how to use the Boulder Sustainability and Resilience Framework when evaluating the forthcoming scenarios.

**Category: Safe**

**Priority: 10**

- Gun free zone
- Well lit and more pedestrian and bike oriented. No cars
- Keeping water at a sustainable rate
- who holds the liability for negative outcomes? Can the harm or help that it causes be quantified?
- Facilities for natural disaster response
- help with natural disasters
- Medivac/Fire and rescue presence at the airport. Making people aware of the help to the community


**Category: Healthy & Socially Thriving**
**Priority: 13**

- Opportunities for public art and gathering spaces
- consider the expanded benefits of extended uses of the land
- Move toward net zero energy consumption
- care for others around the site/usage
- invite access and activities beyond one niche that might be open year round
- racial equity instrument
- diverse
- diverse community
- Access to local businesses
- Is it making the community less healthy
- Pro-social, community oriented, a place where people belong
- Contributes to more people being able to affordably live in Boulder
- Safe gathering place for everybody- children friendly
- education opportunities
- Respecting and understanding each others needs
- Provide scholarships/local school for ASP and Flying
- Invites community activities that are cohesive with the other neighborhoods
- people space separated from regional travel
- promotes and provides activities that don't impact surrounding neighborhoods (not a concert venue or racecar speedway)
- Promotes enjoyment and likelihood of all types of users to the area and not one kind of activity
- The site enhances well-being for a broad cross section of the community
- Serves broader community
- amount of public open space, multi-use paths, parklets


**Category: Livable**
**Priority: 11**

- Mutual respect
- does it support a Boulder workforce that doesn't have to come from outside the community?
- takes into account current "flavor" or characteristics of neighborhood
- Affordable housing to? If the land was to be use for housing?
- Accessible to the public via bikes
- Assess impact of other communities (airports) on our airspace and airport
- Something for all Boulder residents
- # of Boulder residents who will use the site
- Proper balance between a few individuals (pilots) and 1,000s of residents
- "# of housing units
- #of jobs"
- Paramount that communities can be free of noise
- Quality of life/work
- Self sustainable, space not requiring additional tax dollars for community
- serves a broad cross section of the community
- what is the quality of life for those who live around the site?
- amenities and recreation for residents

**Accessible & Connected**
**Priority: 3**

- Sidewalks to the airport
- Can it put people within a 15-minute neighborhood? Or facilitate its development
- "Makes tangible, significant contribution to city's transport goals of
- -build/shift to transit+biikeways
- less car travel
- less climate pollution"
- Bike accessible
- Multi-modal travel
- Future of transportation/innovation
- Vision zero multi-modal all ages all-abilities
- Can't those who don't "buy in" use the publicly funded facility?




**Category: Environmentally Sustainable**
**Priority: 12**

- Does this contribute to city's sustainability?
- Adopt unleaded when it becomes available. Keep prices low so people fill-up vs going to other airports and getting leaded fuel
- green-minded
- Cutting edge/future looking, model and test bed for sustainability
- impact of space on existing osprey water fowl and prairie dog populations
- Promotes environmental health
- Do some lead testing both at the airport and throughout the valley to see if levels are truly elevated or heresy
- a model for other cities. What if everyone does what we do?
- Carbon footprint
- Increase awareness of grates available to airport users (future aviators) by coordination with our learning institutions
- Long range visions and equity in end result
- Is the use best compatible with wildlife and cohabitation
- Water quality impact
- unleaded fuel how long realistically until it is delivered?
- Significant contribution to deep decarbonization in short and long term?
- Needs to be environmentally sustainable and ready to help with extreme events
- The site serves the highest and best use to meet Boulder's sustainability goals
- Impact on vehicle miles traveled
- Future net zero energy
- Regenerative aspects, what helps promote pollinators for example?
- Least pollution and most responsive to air and water quality needs
- Be the leader in electric planes and research
- Does the property best serve healthy air and water quality, or harm it?
- Climate impact



**Category: Responsibly Governed**

**Priority: 5**

- Does it provide a use of the community that can't be found/located elsewhere?
- Does it do the most good for the most number of people?
- Assurance of diversity
- Provide basic services before dreaming
- Not too much regulation/rules. Therefore allowing broad use
- Are all stakeholders considered?
- Logical thinking in regards to traffic and impact on neighbors
- Who is ultimately responsible? Who is in charge? Who makes the decisions?
- Responsive government, careful, deliberate planning
- How does space remain a city assets using it to extend resources
- Appropriate easements place per usage (including surrounding area)
  - Avigation
  - right of way
  - utilities
  - ??
- Open houses/recurring days for firms to find candidates interested in aviation careers?
- Evidence based decisions


**Category: Economically Vital**
**Priority: 13**

- Does it pay for itself?
- Self sustaining
- Economically sustains itself without additional city money
- Taxes paid to city
- Is making money
- Property taxes, business taxes
- Accessible to grant money for airport
- Is this for making money at the expense of people lives or can it be making money to benefit the community?
- self-sustaining economics that generate benefits broadly and equitably with subsidies accounted for and transparent \*subsidies include value and opportunity cost of use of public resources
- Does it provide jobs or future jobs
- # of jobs
- Provides jobs and job training
- Jobs and job training
- creates jobs and revenue
- Primary employment
- Employment
- Local biz and jobs open to all of and a variety of skills of the community and not just a niche
- Year round employment open to young and old that provide livable wages, healthiness, steady work
- Jobs that provide goods and services to the entire community, like a hair salon, shops or other community need s
- Mixed use housing and businesses
- Illegible
- Benefits community
- can people plan far into the future
- long term assets
- Serves our workforce
- Access economic impact of airport - real data
- Draws more people/community to participate or at lease be able to participate
- Business incubator space/focus on aeronautics programs
- Opportunity to support more/other businesses that aren't aviation-dependent
- Included in attracting new investment (jobs) long term for Boulder



# **Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation: San Lazaro and Vista Village Bilingual Community Meetings**

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## **Meeting 1 Summary**

**April 19, 2023 and April 24, 2023**

# Boulder Municipal Airport Community Conversation



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## Introduction and Purpose

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### Meeting overview

The purpose of the bilingual community meetings was to introduce the Airport Community Conversation project, to share information (history, operations, role in the community, etc) about the existing Boulder Municipal Airport, share what engagement and feedback has occurred so far, and gather input from the community on issues with the airport and ideas for the future of the airport.

The intention was to collaborate with both Spanish speaking and English-speaking community members at Vista Village and San Lazaro, two manufactured home communities that are located adjacent to the Boulder Municipal Airport. The city's Communications and Engagement Department and the Transportation and Mobility Department worked to provide an inclusive environment by providing simultaneous interpretation services, a bilingual facilitator, childcare services, and collaboration with community leads.

## San Lazaro and Vista Village Bilingual Community Meeting Details

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### Meeting information

- Vista Village: April 19th, 6:00-8:00 pm
  - 33 adult attendees + children
  - English first presentation with Spanish interpretation
- San Lazaro: April 24th, 6:00-8:00 pm
  - 39 adult attendees + children
  - Spanish first presentation with English interpretation

### Project Team Attendees and Support

- Danielle Furuichi, City of Boulder (COB)
- John Kinney, COB
- Allison Moore-Farrell, COB
- Manuela Sifuentes, COB
- Angela Maria Ortiz Roa, COB
- Ryan Hanschen, COB
- Leticia Abajo, Bilingual Facilitator Consultant

### Meeting Notifications

- Bilingual flyers distributed at Vista Village and San Lazaro
- Bilingual email invite to residents

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- Verbal and email invitations from Community Connectors, Community Leaders and partners

## **Summary of Meeting**

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### **Noise Complaints:**

To file airport-related noise complaints, please call (303) 441-4000. This number will take you to a voicemail in English. We are working on additional languages. You may leave a message in English or Spanish. When calling, please provide:

- The date and time of the incident
- If known, the direction of the aircraft (for example: to or away from the airport)

You can find additional information about airport noise complaints on [this webpage](#).

### **Airport Tours:**

If you and your family are interested in a tour of the airport, please contact Allison Moore-Farrell ([moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov)) and she will arrange a date for a group airport tour with John Kinney, the airport manager. We heard that Friday or Saturday afternoons would be best. Please send an email in your preferred language and we will translate.

### **Free Youth Flights:**

If youth (ages 8-17) are interested in a free flight with the Young Eagles program, there is an organization at the airport that organizes this. You can sign up online [here](#). We will bring Spanish and English paper copies to San Lazaro and Vista Village. This is a not a city organized program.

### **Additional Airport Information:**

- The airport typically has staff onsite Monday through Friday.
- The airport is currently open to flights 24/7. However, the City of Boulder encourages pilots to:
  - Avoid making touch-and-go landings at the Boulder Municipal Airport before 8:00 am and after 5:00 pm.
  - Avoid flight operations between 11:00 pm and 7:00 am.
- Civil Air Patrol based at Boulder Municipal Airport train cadets and perform critical search and rescue missions.
- Scientific research missions are conducted from Boulder Municipal Airport.
- During the 2013 floods, over 1,200 were evacuated using Boulder Municipal Airport as a base. The largest human airlift since Hurricane Katrina.

### **Upcoming Events at the Airport (not affiliated with the City of Boulder)**

- [1940's Ball](#), June 17, 2023

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- This is a paid event. It will be held in English and may not have interpretation services available.

## Meeting Notes

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### Concerns:

- Noise from flights, tow planes, touch-and-go activities, and helicopters
- Air pollution, carbon emissions, and decreased air quality due to airport activities
- Health impacts of leaded aviation fuel on children and residents
- Noise from early Sunday morning flights
- If affordable housing is built, the increase in traffic and noise
- The impact of future airport expansion or addition of hangars

### Ideas:

- Increased community involvement in airport activities
- Better communication between the community and airport pilots and tenants
- Air quality and soil testing for lead
- Teen programming at the airport
- An on-airport space for community gatherings
- An on-airport café/coffee shop
- Scholarship and learning opportunities for youth interested in aviation, mechanics, etc
- An area to picnic and watch the planes
- Aviation acrobatic shows
- A place for community art to be displayed at the airport
- Employment opportunities at the airport for local teens and others
- Planes using unleaded fuel
- Planes using electrification – [link to Joby Aviation](#)
- Real-time information about flights/airport activities
- A covered park that can be used by the community
- Movie nights/showings at the airport



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## Next Meeting

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The next San Lazaro and Vista Village Community Bilingual Meetings will be in August. We will share the date and time soon. At this meeting, we will share different future scenarios for the airport and ask for your feedback on those.

For more information, please visit the [City of Boulder Airport Community Conversation website](#). If you have additional comments or questions, please contact:

Allison Moore-Farrell, Project Manager  
[moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov)

John Kinney, Airport Manager  
[kinneyj@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:kinneyj@bouldercolorado.gov)

You may send your email or message in your preferred language (English or Spanish) and we will ensure that it is translated.

Thank you!



# **Conversación con la comunidad sobre el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder: Reuniones Comunitarias Bilingües en San Lázaro y Vista Village**

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## **Resumen de la reunión 1 19 de abril de 2023 y 24 de abril de 2023**

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## Introducción y propósito

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### Información general sobre las reuniones

El propósito de las reuniones comunitarias bilingües es presentar el proyecto “Conversaciones Comunitarias sobre el Aeropuerto”, compartir sobre el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder (información, historia, cómo opera y su papel en la comunidad, etc.), informar sobre las actividades de participación cívica que se han llevado a cabo y los comentarios que se han recibido hasta ahora, y recopilar las opiniones que tiene la comunidad sobre los problemas con el aeropuerto y las ideas para su futuro.

La intención es colaborar directamente con miembros de la comunidad, tanto de habla hispana como de habla inglesa, en Vista Village y San Lázaro, dos comunidades de casas prefabricadas que se encuentran adyacentes al Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder. El Departamento de Comunicación y Participación Cívica y el Departamento de Transporte y Movilidad trabajaron para proporcionar un ambiente inclusivo con servicio de interpretación simultánea, una facilitadora bilingüe, servicio de cuidado infantil y colaboración con líderes comunitarios.

## Detalles de las Reuniones Comunitarias Bilingües en San Lázaro y Vista Village

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### Información sobre las reuniones

- Vista Village: 19 de abril, 6:00-8:00 pm
  - Asistieron 33 adultos + niños
  - Presentación en inglés con interpretación al español
- San Lázaro: 24 de abril, 6:00-8:00 pm
  - Asistieron 39 adultos + niños
  - Presentación en español con interpretación al inglés

### Asistentes y soporte del equipo del proyecto

- Danielle Furuichi, Ciudad de Boulder
- John Kinney, Ciudad de Boulder
- Allison Moore-Farrell, Ciudad de Boulder
- Manuela Sifuentes, Ciudad de Boulder
- Angela María Ortiz Roa, Ciudad de Boulder
- Ryan Hanschen, Ciudad de Boulder
- Leticia Abajo, consultora y facilitadora bilingüe, Deshaciendo Nudos. Untangled.

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## Notificaciones de reuniones

- Volantes bilingües distribuidos en Vista Village y San Lázaro
- Invitación bilingüe por correo electrónico a los residentes de Vista Village y San Lázaro
- Invitaciones verbales y por correo electrónico por parte de los Conectores Comunitarios, líderes en la comunidad y otros aliados

## Resumen de las reuniones

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### **Quejas por ruido:**

Para presentar quejas por ruido relacionadas con el aeropuerto, llame al (303) 441-4000. Este número lo llevará a un correo de voz en inglés. Estamos trabajando en idiomas adicionales. Puede dejar un mensaje en inglés o español. Cuando llame, proporcione:

- La fecha y hora del incidente
- Si se conoce, la dirección de la aeronave (por ejemplo: hacia o desde el aeropuerto)

Puede encontrar información adicional sobre las quejas por ruido en los aeropuertos en [esta página web](#).

### **Tours al aeropuerto:**

Si usted y su familia están interesados en un recorrido por el aeropuerto, comuníquese con Allison Moore-Farrell ([moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov)) y ella organizará una fecha para una visita grupal al aeropuerto con John Kinney, el gerente del aeropuerto. Escuchamos que los viernes o sábados por la tarde serían lo mejor. Por favor, envíe un correo electrónico en su idioma preferido y lo traduciremos.

### **Vuelos gratuitos para jóvenes:**

Si los jóvenes (de 8 a 17 años) están interesados en un vuelo gratis con el programa Young Eagles, hay una organización en el aeropuerto que organiza esto. Puede registrarse en línea [aquí](#). Llevaremos copias impresas en español e inglés a San Lázaro y Vista Village. Este no es un programa organizado por el gobierno de la ciudad.

### **Información adicional sobre el aeropuerto:**

- El aeropuerto generalmente cuenta con trabajadores en persona de lunes a viernes.
- Actualmente el aeropuerto está abierto a vuelos las 24 horas al día, los 7 días de la semana. Sin embargo, el gobierno de ciudad de Boulder alienta a los pilotos a que:
  - Eviten hacer aterrizajes "de toque y uso" en antes de las 8:00 am y después de las 5:00 pm.
  - Eviten hacer operaciones de vuelo entre las 11:00 pm y las 7:00 am.

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- La Patrulla Aérea Civil con base en el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder entrena a cadetes y realiza misiones críticas de búsqueda y rescate.
- Hay misiones de investigación científica que se llevan a cabo desde el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder.
- Durante las inundaciones de 2013, más de 1,200 personas fueron evacuadas utilizando el Aeropuerto Municipal de Boulder como base. El mayor puente aéreo humano en el país desde el huracán Katrina.

## **Próximos eventos en el aeropuerto (no afiliados a la ciudad de Boulder)**

- [1940's Ball](#), 17 de junio de 2023
  - Este es un evento pagado. Se llevará a cabo en inglés y es posible que no tenga servicios de interpretación.

## **Notas de las reuniones**

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### **Preocupaciones:**

- Ruido de vuelos, aviones de remolque, actividades táctiles y helicópteros
- Contaminación del aire, emisiones de carbono y disminución de la calidad del aire debido a las actividades aeroportuarias
- Impactos en la salud de niños y otros residentes debido al combustible de aviación con plomo
- Ruido de los vuelos durante la madrugada del domingo
- Si se construyen viviendas asequibles, el aumento del tráfico y el ruido
- El impacto que pueda tener una futura expansión del aeropuerto o la adición de hangares

### **Ideas:**

- Mayor participación de la comunidad en las actividades aeroportuarias
- Mejor comunicación entre la comunidad y los pilotos e inquilinos del aeropuerto
- Calidad del aire y pruebas de suelo para detectar plomo
- Programación para adolescentes en el aeropuerto
- Un espacio en el aeropuerto para reuniones comunitarias
- Una cafetería / cafetería en el aeropuerto
- Becas y oportunidades de aprendizaje para jóvenes interesados en aviación, mecánica, etc.
- Un área para hacer picnic y ver los aviones
- Espectáculos acrobáticos de aviación
- Un lugar para exhibir arte comunitario en el aeropuerto
- Oportunidades de empleo en el aeropuerto para adolescentes locales y otros
- Aviones que utilizan combustible sin plomo

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- Aviones que usan electrificación – [enlace a Joby Aviation](#)
- Información en tiempo real sobre vuelos/actividades aeroportuarias
- Un parque cubierto que puede ser utilizado por la comunidad
- Noches de cine / proyecciones en el aeropuerto

## Próximas reuniones

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Las próximas Reuniones Comunitarias bilingües en San Lázaro y Vista Village serán en agosto. Pronto compartiremos la fecha y la hora. En estas reuniones, compartiremos diferentes escenarios futuros para el aeropuerto y pediremos sus comentarios al respecto.

Para obtener más información, visite el [sitio web de Conversación comunitaria sobre el aeropuerto de la ciudad de Boulder](#). Si tiene comentarios o preguntas adicionales, comuníquese con:

Allison Moore-Farrell, Gerente de Proyectos  
[moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:moorefarrella@bouldercolorado.gov)

John Kinney, Gerente del aeropuerto  
[kinneyj@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:kinneyj@bouldercolorado.gov)

Puede enviar su correo electrónico o mensaje en su idioma preferido (inglés o español) y nos aseguraremos de que esté traducido.

¡Gracias!