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Subject: Proposed ALUCP Support

Dear Ms. Morrison,

As the Napa County Airport Manager, I support the final draft of the proposed ALUCP as presented in the public workshop.

The Project Development Team (PDT), for which I was a member, evaluated the proposed elements for conformance with the updated California handbook guidance and discussed the factors for which a functioning and growing airport should limit responsible developers. The PDT meetings included respectful dialogue on the growing pressures for development opportunity that are opposing the standing subjects of aviation safety, aircraft overflight, and noise-sensitive building occupancies.

I support the proposed revisions to the Napa County Airport compatibility zones. This does not impart significant adverse impacts to future private land use. It also demonstrates reasonable flexibility in allowing expanded housing development (splitting D Zone into D1 and D2). The provided work aides (graphics) developed in the package are substantial improvements for staff administration of the ALUCP policies.

As a member of the Project Development Team (PDT), PBES and Mead & Hunt as consultant did a great job creating the technical papers and moving the work through our thoughtful review. I look to follow the public process bringing forward community views about the ways in which property owners can make the best use of their land with a safe and thriving airport in their midst.

Thank you,

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