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Hillsboro Airport Master Plan Update Continues Dec. 7 ***Alternatives for future development begin taking shape***

The first of three key meetings that will influence the way Hillsboro Airport develops over the next 20 years is scheduled Dec. 7. The community is invited to attend.

As part of the update of the Hillsboro Airport Master Plan, the planning advisory committee will meet from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the Hillsboro City Hall auditorium, 150 E. Main Street.

The committee will begin discussing alternatives for how the airport could develop, like airfield improvements, future tenant and flight school locations, and areas that could be redeveloped. The community is invited to observe the committee discussion and share thoughts. The committee will continue providing input and recommendations for the master plan's preferred alternative for development during the next two meetings on March 21 and June 21.

The master plan update is exploring the role of the airport, existing assets and facilities, and the forecast and alternatives for future development. The committee is providing planning input to the Port of Portland, which owns and operates the airport. The committee is comprised of former airport advisory committee members, community organizations, local government and airport businesses. The process, which began in February, will take two years.

Hillsboro Airport is an integral part of the region's transportation system, providing the highest standard of general aviation facilities to businesses and residents of Washington County and beyond. The airport is home to local corporate flight departments, aircraft charter services for business travel, air ambulance services, television news helicopters, flight schools, aircraft maintenance and repair operations, a corporate air shuttle service, and a U.S. Customs and Border Protection office for international flights. More than 25 businesses operate on-airport. In 2016, the airport supported more than 198,000 flights, making it the second busiest airport in the state.

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