## APPENDIX D: OUTREACH SUMMARIES

## PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE FINAL REPORT

**JUNE 2016** 



## Appendix D Outreach Event Summaries

The Troutdale Airport Master Plan project included a public involvement plan to inform community members about the planning process and collect input at outreach events prior to key project milestones. Input from each outreach event was summarized and presented at planning meetings for Project Advisory Committee (PAC) members to consider.

Date	Event	Location	Purpose
July 19, 2014	Troutdale Summerfest	Downtown	Inform the public about the planning
	Outreach Booth	Historic Troutdale	process
May 13, 2015	Public Open House	Troutdale Airport	Collect input on the development
			alternatives and evaluation categories
July 18, 2015	Troutdale Summerfest	Downtown	Collect input on refined development
	Outreach Booth	Historic Troutdale	alternatives
Oct. 2, 2015	Troutdale First Fridays	Troutdale Mayor's	Collect input on refined development
	Outreach Booth	Square	alternatives
Feb. 24, 2016	Combined Open	McMenamins	Collect input on draft implementation
	House / PAC Meeting	Edgefield	plan

Summaries of each outreach event begin on the next page.

### Troutdale Summerfest 2014 Outreach Event Summary

Event Date: July 19, 2014

Port of Portland staff hosted an information booth at Troutdale Summerfest on July 19, 2014 to inform the public that a master plan process had begun for Troutdale Airport and share information about other Port activities in the area. Booth visitors were able to ask questions about the Troutdale Airport and learn about the planning process.

Approximately 90 people visited the outreach booth, and 60 surveys were submitted. A summary of survey responses is below. A copy of the survey is included after the response summary.

#### **Survey responses**

**Question 1.** What role do you think Troutdale Airport should play in the future? (Should we grow or adjust the size of the airport, should we consider using airport land differently, should we plan for different uses)?

#### Responses

Adjust the size of the airport: expanding, bringing flights into Troutdale.

Born and raised in Gresham/Troutdale. I have grown to love the Troutdale Airport. The size is great and expanding is not a bad plan.

Charter flights to nearby locations i.e., Seattle and Boise

Charter flights to Seattle

Consider if drones could bring in extra income to Troutdale?

Definitely grow the airport and create more jobs

Education outreach for aeronautics

Either grow to be a more useful airport, or disband and develop the area for greater economic benefit.

Expand to accommodate larger plant and utilize property for many functions

Grow

Grow a little, get the community involved. Continue to bring a positive influence to the community and inform the community about changes.

Grow airport and put a medium sized convention center there? Would increase hotels and visitors.

Grow it

Has no effect on me

I think it should remain as a small local airport being so close to PDX

I think it would be good to keep it as our semi close airport, at a distance for those of us who don't want to deal with international flights.

I think that the Troutdale Airport is vital in Troutdale. I think having a small aircraft airport is beneficial and all for all of Portland. Maybe have it more of a commuter airport like Hillsboro.

I think the airport is good for the area. Growing would be fine.

I think we should build more roads that lead up to it for better traffic control

#### Responses

I think we should have the airport there. I think its fine how it is or even with improvements.

I think we should make it bigger so people can get more jobs and there can be faster transportation.

I think you should adjust the airport size, so there is more room for more stores or area for the community.

I think you should grow the airport

I would like it a lot if a green space was incorporated so people can view planes take off or even just to see practice flights.

If it were to grow, it would be preferable to expand it west towards the bark dust area, so it does not interfere with the natural trails.

If not using land for an airport use, use it for industrial. Let people build and make more jobs available in East county.

Is there room to expand at the airport? Is there a need for additional services? When I drive by it never seems to be busy. Wonder how expanding services would affect traffic especially since the new Fed Ex has located nearby.

It should be in a place where it benefits the economic growth of the city. I feel that the future of the airport should be based on what option would be most beneficial for the people and the city.

Jobs

Just like it is or add an Aviation Museum

Keep airport and use for general aviation

Keep as is

Keep same

Look for more jobs

More jobs for people: expand it.

Possibly expanding, although we do like it just how it is

Possibly more kids' family activities, such as airplane and museum

Providing employment for people, with a living wage and benefits

Reduce use of airport. Too much air traffic and noise

Same

Same size; I like that it is functional but small.

Share the space with other businesses.

Should look to the future for jobs

Stay about the same. I like the airport and business that it attracts.

The airport is the airport, one of the best facilities east of PDX. The aviation community needs to have its input valued highly, balanced with environmental, social, and cultural needs. What cultural resources are impacted?

The current size is great. Small and efficient

The same or larger, not smaller. It would create jobs.

The school should partner with Mt. Hood Community College to bring back our lost Aviation program

Troutdale is looking into bringing tourism into the community. Therefore expansion of the airport would help drive tourism.

Use plant area differently

#### Responses

Use the airport land differently. Reach out to business to locate on the adjacent land and create jobs.

Use the land for various activities; multi-use.

We should be using the land for more industrial. As a business manager, I know that the industrial use enhances our customer base.

Yes- grow

#### Question 2. What topics should we consider as we analyze the question above?

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Air pollution, green use

Ask about what people would like to do to be involved with the airport

Benefits to homeowners

Best use of land by the river

Call people to inform

City newspaper coverage

Community events, jobs for people in the community

Community impact, does it attract jobs/other business

Environmental hazards, jobs

Environmental hazards, noise does not bother me

Flexibility; what it would take to achieve this goal of bringing more flights here.

Flight frequency. Do not want much more

Fun kid activities

Future jobs and economic development

Growing will make more job opportunities

How changes would affect natural habitats (I see Blue Herons and Foxes often) and walkways

How could the whole area be developed for maximizing economic growth or provide better services

How fast the city is growing

How kids can be encouraged to pursue careers around aeronautics

How many people in our community who are using it.

How to gain revenue

How to involve the community. Utilize schools and businesses in area. (to get more support)

If we make a bigger airport, there would be more noise.

Industry growth and community impact to Troutdale, job market

Is it going to open up jobs if you expand? Or add more work space?

Jobs in hotels and staffing centers

Jobs, keeping a family friendly community

Jobs, noise

Make it a little bigger

Natural resources

#### Responses

Natural resources, jobs

Noise

Noise of airplanes, impact on traffic in area

Noise, Pollution

Noise, traffic surveys, use of land to best advantage, and be community supportive.

Noise/traffic

People who would like to travel from another airport besides PDX

Population growth

Quality of life in Troutdale

Recreational activities

Since the off ramps are being done, will this be enough change to handle more industry and growth?

Social, cultural, environmental, growth-business and population

Sustainability, development and the culture of Troutdale and the surrounding area

The environment is important to me

The Troutdale community, flight school capacity

Think of the people

To include a more community-based store or museum

Traffic

Traffic, better food options, lower prices in stores, more mom and pop shops

Traffic, expanding green spaces, build dog park

Troutdale has been so community based. Expansion should be founded on community values.

Ways to improve the community, and working on making renewable resources

What companies would fit best out there

What the community needs

#### Question 3. What is the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process?

## Call people City news paper Community events Contact the City of Troutdale Parks and open space committee Door handle flyers, email Email Email Email Events and social media Facebook page, word of mouth, maybe a city meeting Flyers at schools or on doors

Responses
Internet
Internet
Local newspaper updates
Mailers, fair booths
Media/social media
News – advertise downtown Portland
News outlets and general town meetings
Newspaper
Newspaper and social media
Newspaper, Facebook
Newspaper/mail flyers
Newspapers and City web site
Possibly have semi-annual public meetings informing about progress since prior event
Social media, Gresham Outlook
The news
The Outlook Newspaper
Troutdale flyer in the mail
Troutdale Newsletter
Website

Question 4. What city do you live in?

City	Count
Troutdale	32
Portland	8
Gresham	6
Prospective Troutdale residents	2
Vancouver	1
Unincorporated Clackamas County	1
Fairview	1
Corbett	1
Clackamas	1

#### **Troutdale Airport: Shaping Our Future Survey**

Summerfest: July 19, 2014

The Port of Portland is beginning an 18 month process of engaging the community to better define the role of Troutdale Airport. Our process will result in a new master plan for Troutdale Airport and will guide our future investments. Together, we will be examining existing facilities, demand for airport services and industrial land, forecasts for future uses, benefits received for airport services and industrial land use and community needs and interests.

We need your assistance. Please answer the three questions below to help us begin the public dialogue.

- 1. What role do you think Troutdale Airport should play in the future? (Should we grow or adjust the size of the airport, should we consider using airport land differently, should we plan for different uses?)
- 2. What topics should we consider as we analyze the question above?
- 3. What's the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process?
- 4. What city do you live in? Do you have any additional comments?

## Troutdale Airport Master Plan Open House #1 Outreach Event Summary

**Event Date:** May 13, 2015

Port of Portland staff hosted a public open house at Troutdale Airport on May 13, 2015 to share information about the Troutdale Airport Master Plan process as well as other Port activities in the area. Open house attendees were able to talk to project staff about the project and submit a public survey. Attendees were also able to go on a bus tour of the adjacent Troutdale Reynolds Industrial Park.

Approximately 30 people attended the open house, and 13 surveys were submitted. A summary of survey responses is below. A copy of the survey is included after the response summary.

**Question 1**. Select two alternatives you think we should continue studying in detail.

Alternative	Count
A: Maximum Commercial/Industrial Use	7
B: More Commercial/Industrial Use; Less Business Aviation	6
C: More Business Aviation; Less Commercial/Industrial Use	7
D: Maximum Aviation	2

**Question 2**. What topics should we consider to analyze the advantages and disadvantages of each alternative?

- Availability of public funds for airport development federal, state, local
- Prioritize aviation-related businesses and industries on developable airport land
- Clarify how changes to the airport and industrial development will affect local communities
- Limit noise increases

**Question 3.** Do you have additional comments?

Responses
Please keep doing the good job you are doing.
Great tour.

What's the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process?

Contact method	Count
Email	6
Website	2

**Question 4.** What city do you live in?

City	Count
Gresham	1
Newberg	1
Portland	7
Tualatin	1
Wood Village	1
Not provided	2

#### **PUBLIC SURVEY 2015**

The Port of Portland is in the midst of an 18-month process of engaging the community to better define the role of Troutdale Airport. Our process will result in a new master plan for Troutdale Airport that will guide our future investments. Working with a planning advisory committee composed of community members, we are examining existing facilities, demand for airport services and industrial land, forecasts for future uses, benefits received for airport services and industrial land use and community needs and interests.

We need your assistance. Please answer the four questions below to help us consider community needs and inform the planning process for the future of Troutdale Airport.

1. The committee is considering four alternatives for the future role of Troutdale Airport. What role do you think Troutdale Airport should play in the future? Should we grow or adjust the size of the airport? Should we consider using airport land differently? Should we plan for different uses?



Select **two** alternatives you think we should continue studying in detail.

- ☐ A: Maximum Commercial/Industrial Use
- ☐ B: More Commercial/Industrial Use; Less Business Aviation
- ☐ C: More Business Aviation; Less Commercial/Industrial Use
- ☐ D: Maximum Aviation

2. The committee will consider several topics to analyze the advantages and disadvantages of each alternative. These topics are provided below.

Alignment with forecasts	Community economic benefits	Environmental impacts
- Assessment of the fit with short-term, mid-term and long-term aviation and land use market forecasts	- Jobs at Troutdale Airport (TTD) - Average wage of jobs at TTD - Business revenues at TTD - State and local taxes generated for local jurisdictions - Economic impact to local economy (direct, induced and indirect) - Fit with local development plans and flexibility to meet future community needs	- Air quality - Water quality - Noise - Opportunities for environmental improvement - Compatibility with existing environmental assets (e.g. Columbia Gorge Scenic Area, Sandy River Delta) -Natural resources
Fit with local airport system	Legal feasibility	Port financial impact
<ul> <li>Assessment of airspace impacts</li> <li>Assessment of the ability of the</li> <li>Port to leverage existing airport infrastructure and investment</li> <li>(minimize redundancy)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Compliance with Local, State and Federal laws</li> <li>Compliance with FAA Grant Assurances</li> <li>Contractual commitments</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10 year capital expenditures</li> <li>Port's ability to fund the required capital expenditures</li> <li>10 year operating costs</li> <li>Expected operating revenues</li> </ul>

Are there additional topics we should consider that are not listed above?

3. Do you have additional comments? What's the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process?

4. What city do you live in?

## Troutdale Summerfest 2015 Outreach Event Summary

**Event Date:** July 18, 2015

Port of Portland staff hosted an information booth at Troutdale Summerfest on July 18, 2015 to share information about the Troutdale Airport Master Plan process as well as other Port activities in the area. Booth visitors were able to ask questions about the Troutdale Airport and submit a public survey.

Approximately 100 people visited the information booth, and 70 surveys were submitted. A summary of survey responses is below. Responses were open ended and some included multiple comments that were categorized separately. A copy of the survey is included after the response summary.

**Question 1.** Do you agree with the PAC that alternatives B and C (some aviation and some commercial/industrial use) deserve more analysis and focus?

Comment	Count
Yes, agree with B and C focus	61
Prefer B	5
Prefer C	4
Prefer hybrid of B and C	1
No Answer	1
Prefer A	1
Do not agree with B and C focus	1

Question 2. Given this analysis, what would be your long term vision for Troutdale Airport?

Comment	Count	
Mixed use for aviation and commercial	21	
Retain current level of aviation	20	
Include more commercial/industrial use	11	
Other land uses (nature, parks, recreation, museum, public		
events, concert venue, military)	10	
Expand level of aviation	7	
Improve Troutdale economy and job opportunities	5	
Improve Troutdale quality of life	1	

**Question 3.** What's the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process? If you would like to be informed or involved, can you provide us with your email address?

Response	Count
Email	30
Newspaper	12
Website	9
Mail	4
City hall meetings	1

**Question 4.** Do you have additional comments or questions?

# Could use a second airport. Why don't FedEx jets land here? Seeing as the ground hub is here. The biggest complaint I hear about is the difficulty in working with the Port of Portland and the regulations. Most of the money goes elsewhere. Forecasting for future of technology with aircraft. Also helping with the shuttle idea in and out of the gorge. Thank you for coming today and informing the community. We moved to Troutdale for the airport as private pilots. Will there be a vote if taxes are needed? How is the airport losing money? Coming from a small town in Minnesota with similar issues, I am against too much commercial-commercial means jobs but at what expense to the community?

Question 5. What city do you live in?

Keeping tourist options (plane rides, hot air balloons)

City	Count
Troutdale	29
Portland	16
Gresham	13
Corbett	4
Milwaukie	2
Fairview	2
Tigard	1
Boring	1
Damascus	1
Happy Valley	1
Wood Village	1

#### **COMMUNITY SURVEY 2015**

#### **Background**

The Port of Portland is in the midst of an 18-month process of engaging the community to better define the role of Troutdale Airport. Our process will result in a new master plan for Troutdale Airport that will guide our future investments.

Working with a project advisory committee composed of community members, we are examining existing



facilities, demand for airport services and industrial land, forecasts for future uses, benefits received for airport services and industrial land use and community needs and interests. We need your assistance. Please review the information below and answer the following questions to help us consider community needs.

#### **Airport Alternatives**

The committee has evaluated four alternatives for the future role of Troutdale Airport. (See diagram below.) After discussion and analysis, they recommended focusing on two conceptual alternatives for the future role of Troutdale Airport, Alternatives B and C.

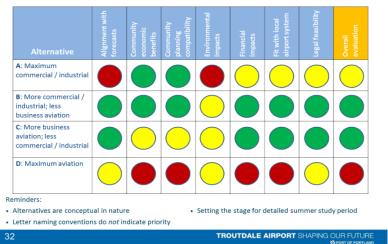


#### Some facts to consider:

- Troutdale Airport is not financially self-sufficient;
- Troutdale Airport will not accommodate commercial service aircraft;
- Portland International Airport is eight miles away from Troutdale Airport.

The chart below shows the topics evaluated by the Project Advisory Committee.

#### **Project team overall evaluation summary**



#### **QUESTIONS:**

- 1) Given the information above, do you agree with the PAC that Alternatives B and C (some aviation and some commercial/industrial use) deserve more analysis and focus?
- 2) Given this analysis, what would be your long-term vision for Troutdale Airport?
- 3) What's the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process? If you would like to be informed or involved, can you provide us with your email address?
- 4) Do you have additional comments or questions?
- 5) What city do you live in?

#### Troutdale First Friday Event at Mayor's Square Outreach Event Summary

Event Date: Oct. 2, 2015

Port of Portland staff hosted an information booth at Troutdale First Friday on Oct. 2, 2015 to share information about the Troutdale Airport Master Plan process as well as other Port activities in the area. Booth visitors were able to ask questions about the Troutdale Airport and submit a public survey.

Seventeen people completed surveys at the outreach booth. A summary of survey responses is below. Responses were open ended and some included multiple comments that were categorized separately. Similar comments were combined. A copy of the survey is included after the response summary.

**Question 1.** Which alternative do you prefer and why? Do you have any thoughts about business aviation or long term planning at Troutdale Airport?

Preferred alternative	Count	Comment
Alternative B More Commercial/Industrial Less Business Aviation	5	<ul> <li>Provides more jobs</li> <li>Area will benefit from continued growth in flight school activity</li> <li>More industrial use could provide local career opportunities</li> <li>[Troutdale Airport] does not seem like the type of place where business jets would want to land</li> </ul>
Alternative C More Business Aviation Less Commercial/Industrial	6	<ul> <li>Keep the airport, but maximize jobs</li> <li>Aviation is important to the community</li> <li>Limiting jet traffic will limit overall airport traffic</li> <li>Need more affordable flights within Oregon</li> <li>Business aviation is less important in Troutdale because PDX already serves that market</li> </ul>
Mix of B and C	3	<ul> <li>Find a way to keep current runway length but allow for industrial growth</li> <li>Keep options open</li> <li>The airport is part of the community</li> </ul>
No preference given	3	<ul> <li>Want the airport to remain in some form</li> <li>Want jobs associated with property development</li> </ul>

**Question 2.** As we discuss the alternatives, we are considering the importance of increased tax revenue generated by future development and increased jobs. Which is more important to you and why?

Preference	Count	Comment
Tax revenue	4	<ul> <li>The City should expand</li> <li>Why keep the airport open if it doesn't make money?</li> <li>Tax revenues are important to smaller cities</li> </ul>
Jobs	7	<ul> <li>Increasing tax revenue will increase jobs</li> <li>More local jobs reduces the amount of commuting</li> <li>Jobs have more direct benefits to people than tax revenues</li> <li>Want to see more jobs in the area</li> <li>Flight training is a good use</li> </ul>
Both	2	Utilize space thoughtfully – don't waste it
Not stated	6	<ul> <li>Increasing tax revenue will increase jobs</li> <li>Industrial land would serve the community better since PDX already serves the area for aviation</li> <li>Aviation is important</li> <li>Keep options open</li> <li>Troutdale Airport may be needed if PDX reaches capacity</li> </ul>

**Question 3.** Do you have additional comments or questions?

Responses	
I ride my bike around the airport.	
Need more hardcopy information.	
The information booth was a good place to start learning about the project.	
Appreciate the Port conducting outreach activities and asking for input.	
Consider environmental management.	

What is the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process?

Responses	Count
Email	5
Mailers	1
Not stated	0

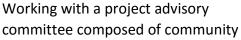
Question 4. What city do you live in?

City	Count
Troutdale	12
Gresham	2
Portland	2
Wood Village	1

#### **COMMUNITY SURVEY 2015**

#### **Background**

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members, we are examining existing facilities, demand for airport services and industrial land, forecasts for future uses, benefits received for airport services and industrial land use and community needs and interests.

We need your assistance. Please review the two alternatives below and answer the following questions to help us consider community needs.

#### **Airport Alternatives**

The committee is focusing their attention on two conceptual alternatives for the future role of Troutdale Airport:

#### **Alternative 1:**

- Focus on the core uses of the airport: recreational flying and flight training.
- Introduce Industrial/Commercial development on undeveloped airport property.

#### **Alternative 2:**

- Focus on the core uses of the airport: recreational flying and flight training and include some level of business aviation, such as smaller business jets.
- Introduce some Industrial/Commercial development on undeveloped airport property.

#### Some facts to consider:

- Troutdale Airport will not accommodate commercial service aircraft;
- Portland International Airport is eight miles away from Troutdale Airport;
- Recreational flying (single and twin engine aircraft) is projected to decline at Troutdale Airport and nationwide over the next 20 years;
- Aviation service provide important benefits for the community;
- Flight training (fixed wing aircraft and helicopter) is projected to increase at Troutdale Airport over the next 20 years;
- Forecasts do not project an increased demand for business aviation at Troutdale Airport over the next 20 years;
- The Portland Metro Area has a lack of large industrial development sites.

#### **QUESTIONS:**

1)	Given the information above, which alternative do you prefer and why? Do you have any thoughts about business aviation or long term planning at Troutdale Airport?
2)	As we discuss the alternatives, we are considering the importance of increased tax revenue generated by future development and increased jobs. Which is more important to you and why?
3)	Do you have additional comments? What's the best way for us to keep you informed about this planning process?
4)	What city do you live in?

### Troutdale Airport Master Plan Open House #2 Outreach Event Summary

Event Date: Feb. 24, 2016

Port of Portland staff combined a public open house with PAC Meeting #9 at McMenamins Edgefield on Feb. 24, 2016. Combining an open house with a PAC meeting provided opportunity for the general public to interact with project staff and PAC members and submit comments. Open house attendees were able to learn about the PAC process, receive an update on project work completed to date and provide input prior to the PAC's vote on a preferred alternative. Attendees were able to provide input by talking to project staff and submitting a public survey form.

Approximately seven people attended the open house and one public survey form was completed. A summary of input is below. A copy of the survey is included after the input summary.

#### Which development alternative do you prefer? What are your top reasons?

Preferred alternative	Count	Comment
Alternative B 3,600-foot runway More industrial land	0	• N/A
Alternative C 4,500-foot runway Less industrial land	1	<ul> <li>Use Troutdale Airport for commuter flights</li> <li>Promote the idea of Troutdale as a point of departure and a destination for major events</li> <li>Use Troutdale Airport as a reliever airport for PDX</li> </ul>
Other	0	• N/A

#### Additional open house comments

- Troutdale Airport tenants wanted to learn more about the timing of the phased implementation plan and details about consolidating the airport's aviation uses to the south side of airport property.
- Troutdale Airport tenants wanted to know how the airport would accommodate helicopters after being redeveloped.
- Attendees wanted to know the location of developable land on airport property.

## PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE – FEB. 24, 2016 COMMENT FORM

The Port of Portland is considering a range of development possibilities for Troutdale Airport. Which development alternative do you prefer?

o Alternative B: 3,600-foot runway, more industrial land

o Alternative C: 4,500-foot runway, less industrial land

o Other:	_
What are your top reasons?	
Reason 1:	
Reason 2:	
Reason 3:	
Other comments:	
other comments.	