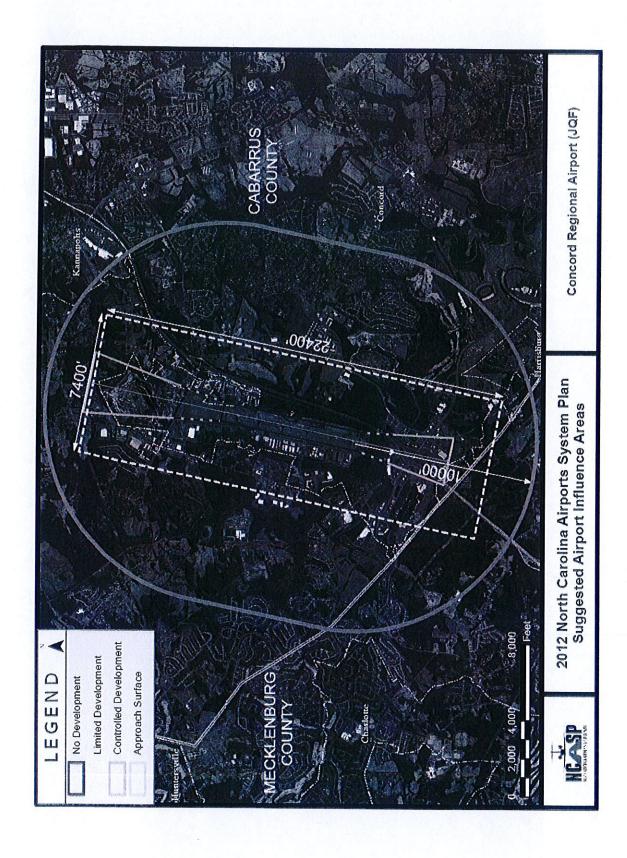
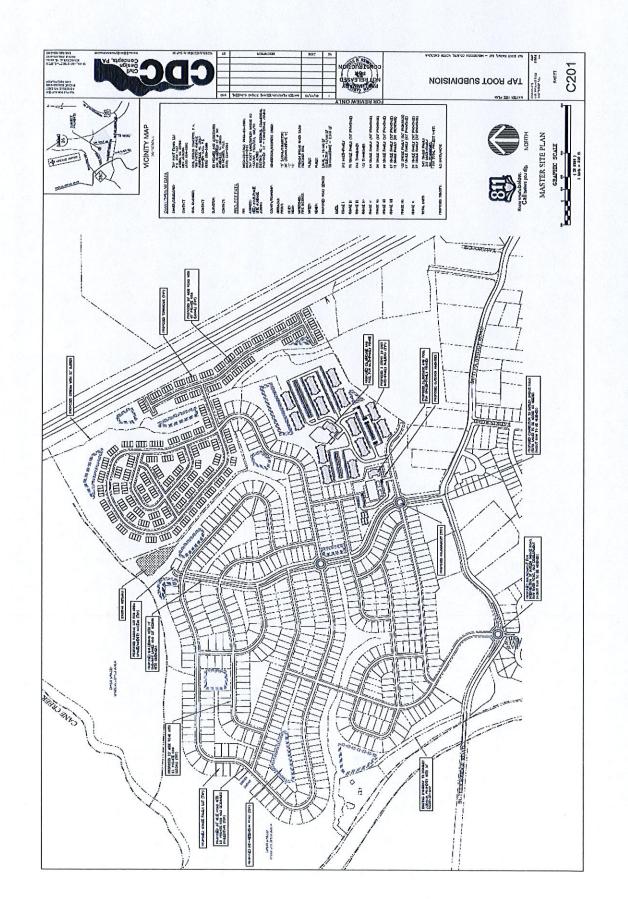


TAP ROOT FARMS PROJECT PRESENTATION HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JUNE 3RD, 2019





The Division of Aviation encourages the Asheville Regional Airport staff to continue to engage with the local communities, counties, and planning organizations in an effort to ensure appropriate land use decisions and zoning ordinances are implemented to protect all stakeholders involved.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director

NCDOT - Division of Aviation

Enclosures



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

JAMES H. TROGDON, III
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February 19, 2019

Michael Riesman Deputy Executive Director Asheville Regional Airport 61 Terminal Dr. Suite 1 Fletcher, NC 28732

Mr. Riesman,

Thank you for informing the NCDOT – Division of Aviation about the potential for a residential development under the approach surface to Runway 35 at the Asheville Regional Airport. The Division shares your concerns about the land use compatibility of the Tap Root subdivision in the proposed location identified by the enclosed Tap Root Subdivision Master Plan. The encroachment of incompatible land use poses a major threat to the long-term viability of our airports in North Carolina.

While the proposed location of the Tap Root subdivision appears to be outside of the Runway Protection Zone, it is located approximately 4,500 feet from the Runway 35 threshold and directly under the extended runway centerline. This location places the Tap Root subdivision directly beneath the approach surface for Runway 35 and within the area of "Limited Development" per the 2015 North Carolina Airport System Plan Update.

Enclosed is an Airport Influence Areas map excerpt from the 2015 North Carolina Airport System Plan Update for the Concord Regional Jetport to provide you with a graphical depiction of what the limited development area looks around an airport of similar size. I provided this specific example because this study did not generate these drawings for the commercial service airports, only the GA airports. Your airport would have comparable areas based on your similar runway characteristics to Concord.

Residential development within the limited development area is generally discouraged due to the potential for quality of life reduction caused by the noise impacts of aircraft using the airport and, in this case, flying directly overhead. A residential development in this location can also undermine the Asheville Regional Airport's growth opportunities and increase the risk of potential litigation.

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Grant Assurance 21 - Compatible Land Use. This obligation states the airport sponsor "will take appropriate action, to the extent reasonable, including the adoption of zoning laws, to restrict the use of land adjacent to or in the immediate vicinity of the airport to activities and purposes compatible with normal airport operations, including landing and takeoff of aircraft. In addition, if the project is for noise compatibility program implementation, it will not cause or permit any change in land use, within its jurisdiction, that will reduce its compatibility, with respect to the airport, of the noise compatibility program measures upon which Federal funds have been expended."

Lastly, please consider that in 1998, the FAA adopted a policy of approving only preventive noise mitigation measures in areas of potential new non-compatible development. The FAA no longer approves (or funds) remedial noise mitigation measures for non-compatible development that occurs in the vicinity of airports. More information regarding this can be found within the associated Federal Register Notice (FR-1998-04-03).

We hope this meets your current needs. If you have any questions or need additional information concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

L. Bernard Green

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May 30, 2019

Mr. Michael Reisman, AAE Asheville Regional Airport 61 Terminal Drive, Suite 1 Fletcher, NC 28732

Dear Mr. Reisman:

RE: Asheville Regional Airport
Tap Root Dairy Residential Project

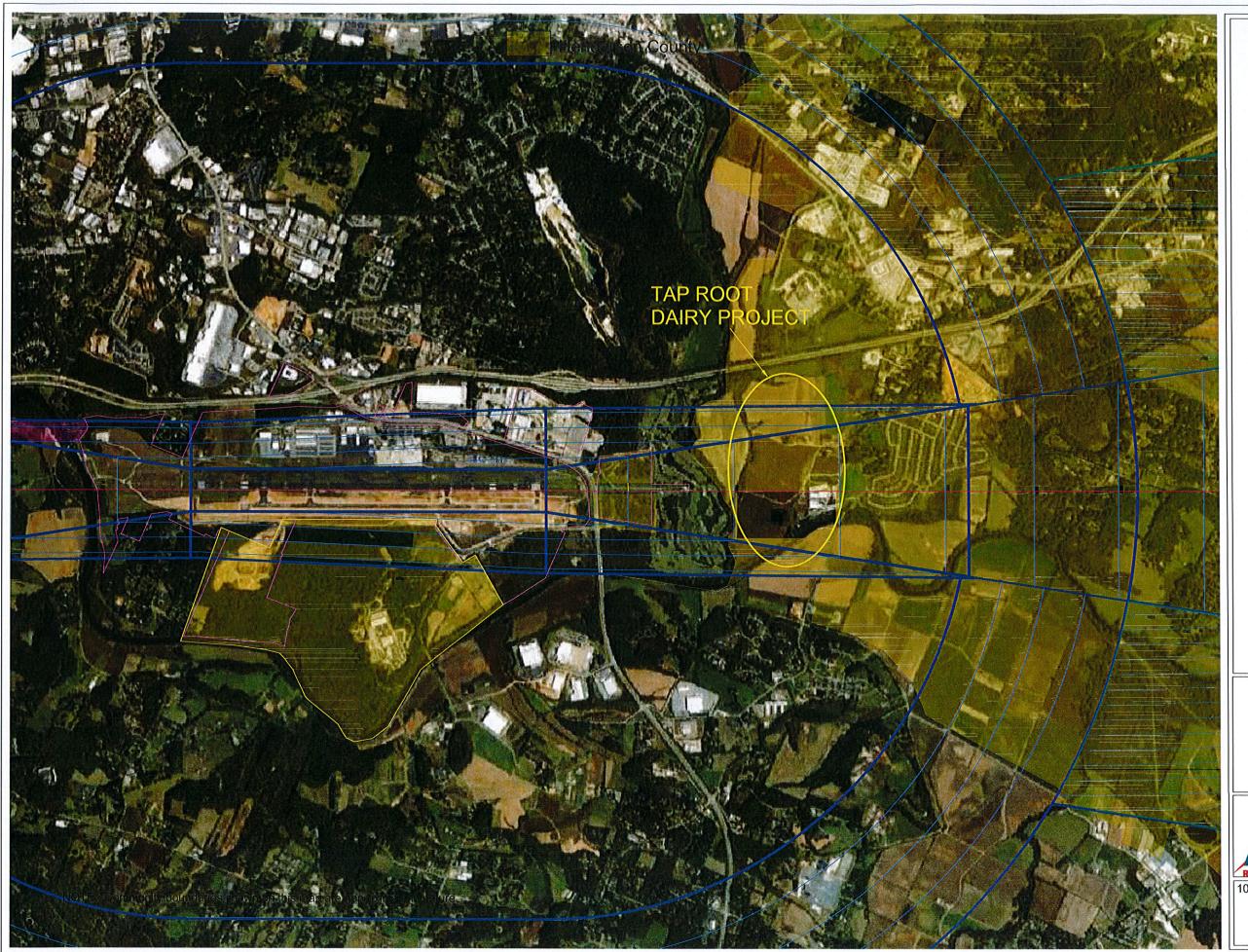
This is in response to your letter dated May 24, 2019 regarding the proposed rezoning of land located less than one mile beyond the southern airport property boundary. It is our understanding that your concerns are on the subject proposed being located under the existing Runway 35 Approach. You are equally concerned that the proposed development has recently received a favorable determination via FAA Form 7460-1, Airspace Approval for a proposed development. In review of this issue, we concur with your concerns and support you, as airport sponsor, in promoting compatible land uses within the vicinity of the airport.

Attached for your reference is current FAA guidance on land uses entitled "Land Use Compatibility and Airports." This guidance was created in part to assist local units of government, airport managers and airport planners, local land use planners, developers, and elected and appointed public officials who have an airport within their jurisdiction (or are affected by the impacts of airport/aircraft operations within their jurisdictions). Among other things, the guidance identifies four key issues for evaluating the types of land uses to be considered for compatibility around airports. These include:

- The impact of aircraft noise and noise compatibility planning;
- The potential for airspace conflicts from tall structures in the vicinity of an airport;
- The possibility of electronic interference with aviation navigation aids; and
- The potential for interaction between aircraft and wildlife attractants.

Please note that as a result of the aeronautical study conducted on the proposal, the FAA states "this determination does not constitute FAA approval or disapproval of the physical development involved in the proposal. It is a determination with respect to the safe and efficient use of navigable airspace by aircraft and with respect to the safety of persons and property on the ground. This determination does not consider compatible land use at or near airports.

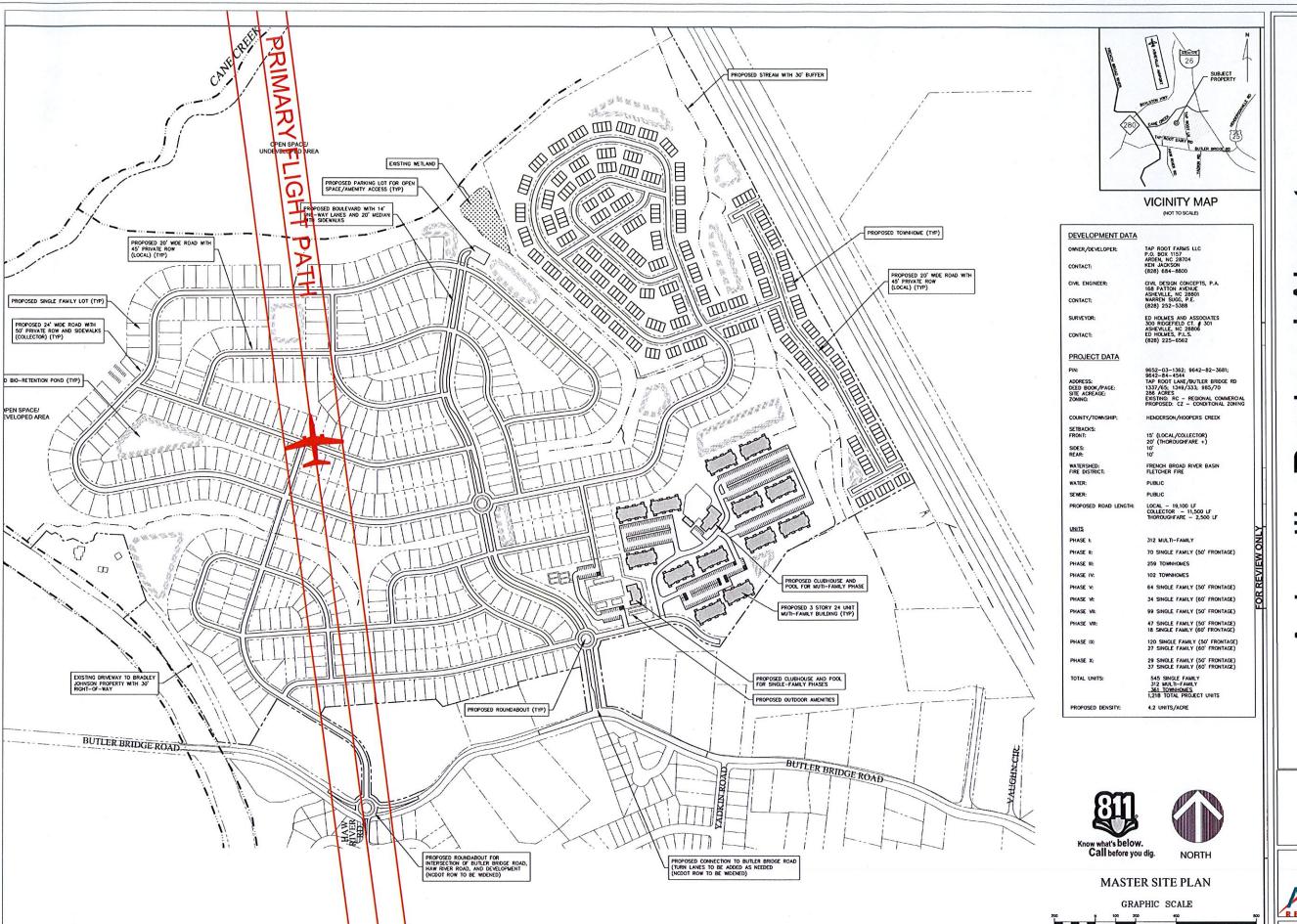
In addition, please note that as a recipient of funds from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), the airport sponsor is federally obligated to uphold grant assurances, one of which is



Asheville Regional Airport

FAR Part 77 Airspace Overlay Henderson County Boundary





Asheville Regional Airport Flight Tracks - Tap Root Dairy Project



(IN FEET) 1 inch = 200 ft.

Tap Root Dairy Project Airspace Drawing Asheville Regional Airport

