

Airport Land Use Brochure

What Are the Primary Land Use Concerns?

With the exception of compatible land use within runway protection zones, there is no absolute definition of compatible land use near airports. Areas of concern are typically related to noise and safety issues, and are dependent on proximity to the airport.

High Concentrations of People

In areas closest to airports, high concentrations of people are discouraged.



Noise Sensitivity

Uses sensitive to noise, such as schools, theaters and residential areas should be discouraged.



Tall Structures

Cell towers, wind farms, tall buildings, objects, and natural vegetation (i.e. trees) may be a hazard.



Visual Obstructions

Uses that generate smoke, steam, glare or light emissions should be limited.



Wildlife Attractants

Sources of food, water and shelter should be limited to reduce bird and mammal hazards.



Who We Are

About The Airport

Airport information here

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Why is Preserving the Viability of our Airport Important?

Airports provide vital transportation services to all people, whether they use the system directly or benefit indirectly. Aviation plays a crucial role in business, tourism, emergency services, agriculture, and even public safety. Communities depend upon airports to provide needed services and accessibility with connections within the state, nation, and world.

Protecting our airport from encroachment of incompatible land uses is important. As demand for development space increases, land uses that are incompatible with airport operations can threaten the safety and viability of our facility.

Incompatible land uses have an impact on safety of aircraft and persons on the ground. Compatible land use near our airport protects public investment in infrastructure and ensures that we are able to meet the aviation needs of business and citizens.

How Can Planning Help Promote Compatible Land Use near Airports?

Compatible land uses within geographic areas of airports can be incorporated into comprehensive plans and zoning ordinances at the local level. A coordinated effort between cities, counties, airport authorities, regional planners and developers can help assure that local development and compatible land use near our airport can coexist. While comprehensive plans and zoning can help ensure future compatible land use, mitigation techniques may be needed for current land use issues.



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What Techniques Are We Using?

Only list the ones that apply to your airport.

- ✓ Reviewing our local airport zoning ordinance and adding land use requirements not already included.
- ✓ Adopting a local ordinance that addresses both height restrictions and compatible land use.
- ✓ Including discussions of compatible land use near our airport in local land use and comprehensive plans.
- ✓ Including city and county representation and regional planners on review committees for our airport planning efforts.
- ✓ Talking with local airport officials when discussing development near our airport.
- ✓ Encouraging airport user participation in zoning and land use advisory committees.
- ✓ Mitigating existing incompatible uses.