

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0606

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Mayor Debbie Brinkman
City of Littleton
2255 W. Berry Avenue
Littleton, CO 80120

Dear Mayor Brinkman:

I appreciated speaking about the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) airspace modernization and the impact it will have on our constituents in Littleton and the surrounding communities. My staff had a conversation with the FAA and I would like to provide you with an update.


I share your concerns about increased noise complaints resulting from the Metroplex - Denver proposed airspace redesign in and around the Centennial Airport. As you mentioned in our conversation, the project does not need to undergo the traditional Environmental Impact Study (EIS) process. It received a categorical exemption because the FAA estimates the project will save 0.6 million gallons – \$1.8 million – of fuel and cause an estimated 5.4 thousand metric ton drop in carbon emissions.

The project will instead navigate a less rigorous Environmental Assessment (EA). Please know that I will fight for both you and me – and our constituents – to be able to participate in the FAA's processes and be heard. Possible opportunities will include:

- Public workshops in May 2019. I will request that the FAA hold one or more of these workshops in Littleton so that you, me and our constituents can learn more about the proposal.
- A formal comment period between June and September 2019. If the draft proposal adversely affects our constituents, we should work together to submit formal comments to the FAA detailing these effects.

I will keep you apprised of all opportunities as the FAA works through their process and I look forward to working with you. If you or your staff have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to my staff, Justin Meuse, at 202-225-7882 or at Justin.Meuse@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,



JASON CROW
Member of Congress