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Bryan Bedford
Administrator
Federal Aviation Administration
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Administrator Bedford,

I write to implore the Federal Aviation Administration to immediately reconsider and reverse the new flight maps for the Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport (RMMA) that were implemented in June of this year. As you know, these flight maps were not implemented in consultation with the local community, municipal leaders, or the airport leadership, and as such, should be revisited.

At minimum, any changes to flight paths coming in and out of any airport should be done in consultation with airport leadership. However, as I understand it, RMMA's Director has stated he was not consulted or warned about changes to the airspace.

According to a [memo](#) released by your agency, the Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport in Broomfield, Colorado leads the country in the number of "Potentially Significant Events," or safety incidents. In fact, it has had more safety incidents than the Denver International Airport, the sixth busiest in the entire world. This memo goes on to note that, "given the number of PSEs and high density of traffic, it is imperative the operation be structured in a manner that reduces risk in the air and on the surface." Of course, the most effective way of reducing risk and promoting safety is to include the airport leadership, municipal leaders, and the surrounding community in any flight path changes.

Furthermore, the new RMMA flight path now covers parts of Louisville, Paragon Estates, and the Spanish Hills area of Boulder County. Many of the homes and residents in this area were victims of the recent Marshall Fire, the most destructive fire in our state's history. These residents have been rebuilding their homes for years, and now, they are falling victim to the noise pollution and safety concerns associated with RMMA's operations.

The *FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024* (Public Law No: 118-63) provides very specific avenues for the FAA to engage communities before implementing new flight paths. The new law created the Community Collaboration Program, for example, to improve engagement with communities regarding flight procedure changes, enhance the responsiveness of the noise complaint process, and implement outreach strategies.

RMMA has become both one of the highest density and least safe general aviation airports in the country. As such, it's critically important that the FAA properly consider new flight paths by engaging airport leadership, municipal leaders, and affected communities, so as not to further jeopardize the safety of the surrounding communities. For these reasons, I urge you to revisit and reverse these new flight paths at RMMA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Neguse".

Joe Neguse
Member of Congress