#### The Bend Municipal Airport: Just OK? Good? Great?

#### Airport: The Good

- 1. Good pavement: Runway & taxiways
- 2. Reasonable fuel prices; However, single fuel supplier
- 3. Well-credentialed, experienced airport manager
- 4. Repair services, flight training services and aircraft rentals available

#### Not-So-Good

- 1. Long wait time for repair services; Aircraft rentals are limited
- 2. Chronic years-long waiting list for aircraft hangars & tie-downs
- 3. Highest rents, particularly in light of limited services for small aircraft tenants
- 4. Chronic deferred maintenance of hangars, taxi-lane/interior road pavement and other city-maintained improvements
- 5. No transient parking for smaller aircraft; Visiting pilots don't know where to park
- 6. Inadequate snow removal capability; Wrong equipment
- 7. No airport cafe
- 8. City relationship towards tenants has declined substantially in 2020
- 9. City staff produces faulty work and is not accountable; No oversight.
- 10. Very poor communications and transparency. City Council insensitive to airport user and business interests
- 11. Very high mid-air collision hazard; Heavy training activity makes this airport "tricky" and high-risk, particularly for visiting pilots
- 12. Airport-related noise



Aurora State Airport is on a mission to take our communities higher. The airport is driven by the premise that together as neighbors, we can create the safest and brightest future for our local communities. We are focused on continuing our time-honored reputation as a safe, local, and prepared airport and community neighbor for over 75 years.



## Friends of Pacific City State Airport



Friends of Pacific City State Airport is a nonprofit organization made up of airport stakeholders - airport neighbors, local businesses, airport volunteers and pilots who use the airport - who support the wise management and use of this public airstrip.

## Friends of Bend Airport: "About Us"

#### **Good-To-Great**

This group perpetually oversees the Bend Municipal Airport and promotes accountability, prudent management, and realistic long-term planning for the benefit of all airport users, including pilots, aircraft owners and airport businesses.

The organization operates as an Oregon-registered legal entity, is governed by a board of directors, and performs the following functions:

- Continuously monitors airport finances, and ensures airport revenues and expenses are for the benefit of airport users,
- Continuously monitors airport operations and holds airport operations staff, city staff and city council
  accountable,
- Continuously monitors long-term planning and capital improvement projects and holds FAA and airport staff
  accountable for prudent management and investment results, and
- Ensures airport users are completely informed on a timely basis; "No surprises".

## Start-Up: Help!

- 1. Establish non-profit legal entity
- 2. Recruit members; Build larger workgroups
- 3. Elect directors & officers
- 4. Obtain appropriate insurance
- 5. Establish checking, PayPal, GoFundMe accounts
- 6. Establish a set of books
- 7. Establish a web marketing strategy, web presence & social app presence
- 8. Establish work group collaboration apps

#### BECOME A SUPPORTER OF FRIENDS OF BEND AIRPORT

- Join our founders/start-up directors; Help us continue with our organizational development
- Lead or participate in a work group to support the wise management and use of the Bend Municipal Airport
- Make a donation pledge
  - Help us to cover our costs to establish, promote, and sustain the organization
  - Make a donation of cash or inkind items and services. All are greatly appreciated.
  - We plan to host fundraising events that promote safety, higher use of the airport, and airport community development/fellowship

## **Central Oregon Flying Club**

- In the Formation stage
- Registered in Oregon as a non-profit social club
- Mission Safe, Affordable and Fun flying for club members.
- The Plan Start with an airplane that is familiar to all pilots. C152, C172 or equivalent.
  - If you have one of these and are interested in leasing it to the club, we want to hear from you.
  - We are actively seeking an airplane. Other successful clubs start with a member leasing their plane to the Club.
- Once the Club has sufficient members, and a track record of success, add a second plane. Tail dragger, complex, or acrobatic plane.



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OCTOBER 7, 2020 7 PM
Pick up a Flyer at our table



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# High Desert Squadron

Meetings currently held online only (due to COVID)

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday eveings 7 – 8 PM

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