



King County

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Representative Timm Ormsby
315 John L. O'Brien Building
PO Box 40600
Olympia, WA 98504

RE: Maintain \$400,000 for the Aviation Air Quality Study in the 2018 Supplemental Operating Budget

Dear Chair Ormsby,

Thank you for providing \$400,000 in the House version of the 2018 supplemental operating budget for the aviation air quality study. I strongly urge you to maintain this funding level in the final budget.

Sea-Tac airport is one of the fastest growing airports in the nation. This study will seek to determine the impacts that the current and ongoing airport operations have on quality of life associated with air traffic noise, public health, congestion, public safety, and property values in the cities of SeaTac, Burien, Des Moines, Tukwila, Federal Way, and Normandy Park. As a King County Councilmember representing the community around the airport, I believe it is more critical than ever to study the environmental impacts related to increased aircraft traffic.

As the Puget Sound region continues to grow and benefit from that ongoing expansion, I urge you to consider those who may be the most adversely impacted. Please maintain \$400,000 in the final budget for the aviation air quality study.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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