

## Glenda Wiles

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**Subject:** Ravalli county airport

The Ravalli County Airport needs to be safe for 100% of the aircraft using our airport today which requires a 5200 foot runway.

A safe airport welcomes people to the valley. It is a gateway to increased economic activity in our valley.

It is imperative for the future of our National & State Forests to provide capability of full loads for the air tankers.

By moving the runway 400 feet East and 1550 feet North it will change the traffic pattern for houses to the South of the airport and East of the high school making it safer for the home owners.

Increasing the potential for new low impact businesses to locate in Ravalli County will increase the number of job prospects and improve the economics of the valley.

This airport is county infrastructure and needs improvement to be safe like our roads and bridges.

The economic health of the Bitterroot depends on the ability of easy & quick access for entrepreneurs to explore the expansion of businesses. This in turn provides work to allow our children to remain here & raise families in a quality lifestyle like parent was raised.

It is vital for the county to bring in new money from other areas, not just recycling what is in the local economy. We owned a large log home company and over a 10 year period brought over \$83 million in new dollars and provided more than 200 livelihoods for employees & contractors enabling them to provide for their families.

The expansion will come at no additional cost to taxpayers and provide a more secure future for all.

Sincerely,  
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