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RAVALLI COUNTY AIRPORT

Airports are engines of economic development. They stimulate, enhance, and drive the economic futures of towns, cities, and metropolises across America. All one has to do to realize this is to think for a moment about why individuals, families, and business developers choose a particular place to live, work, invest, and plan their future. While there are many things they must consider, at the center of their thought is economics: housing (real estate values); schools (quality education supported by a stable tax base); economic stability that provides employment opportunities and well paid workers; transportation (air, rail, and road). The Montana department of Aeronautics has determined that the Ravalli county airport generates yearly 14 million dollars to this economy. The improvements that are being proposed will not only increase this revenue, but will also improve the safety for those who use this valuable facility, the area around it, and will provide a bright economic future for the entire county. As a pilot who frequently uses the Ravalli County Airport, I urge you to support these improvements. You have made a good beginning with the airport that you have, but it is time to move forward and develop this into the outstanding facility that it can become.

Sincerely,
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