

Glenda Wiles

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I am writing to support the upgrade of the airport near Hamilton. As a pilot and concerned citizen, I would urge you to vote to expand and relocate the airport to a more suitable location.

It should be obvious to anyone that the value of a well designed and sited airport is of great value to a community like Hamilton and the surrounding towns. The issue of safety should by itself compel support of airport improvements, but the economic benefit to the area, both in the short and the long term must also be considered. If the airport can be made suitable to all types of aircraft, both civil and governmental/emergency planes, the benefits are obvious, and will encourage location of business owners who might not consider Ravalli County if they can't safely base business aircraft there.

Please support the airport improvements.

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