

## Glenda Wiles

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**From:** Bitterroot Nursery <nursery@montana.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 24, 2014 2:57 PM  
**To:** Glenda Wiles  
**Subject:** attn: Ravalli County Airport Expansion

Dear Commissioners,

I wish to express my opposition to the proposed Ravalli County Airport Expansion, because my home and business are located in the proposed Airport Affected Area (AAA).

The airport expansion proposes building and tree planting restrictions within the AAA. These restrictions are of particular concern to my nursery business that plants thousands of trees on site each year. My business has been at this location since 1968 and employs over 18 people each year. Restrictions in tree planting and building would severely limit my ability to conduct and grow my business in the future. As a business owner, I do not want to be restricted from conducting my business or be required to apply for permits to continue running a successful and longstanding business.

Airport expansion is not needed. An alternative to airport expansion already exists because larger jets are able to land in Missoula, only 50 miles away. Furthermore, the AAA exists to reduce risk to aircraft, but an expansion of the airport would lead to an increased risk to my home, business, and employees. There dangers can be averted by simply not expanding the airport.

It is a waste of tax dollars to expand the airport for a few people's convenience. As a citizen, a taxpayer, and business owner, I find the proposed Ravalli County Airport Expansion to be an infringement on my rights and an unnecessary overstep in the local government attempting to regulate my business.

Sincerely,

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