

No airport in Thurston County

What were the qualifications/background of the people who decided East Olympia would be a good site for an airport?

What was the criteria they used in their decision making? Was it the wetlands, the verdant pastures and trees, the wildlife habitat, or the rural and suburban families that made this site a viable location for a mega-airport?

The Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission (CACC) needs to go back to the drawing board. One possible option is the Port of Moses Lake airport. It boasts "plentiful greenfield with low population density, hanger space and five massive runways. ... The Port consistently enjoys excellent weather conditions with 340 days of VFR flying per year."

This is a mega airport that is completed. Interstate 90 bisects Moses Lake. There is plenty of inexpensive land if they need to expand further. No verdant pastures, wetlands, or vast amounts of people will be uprooted or otherwise negatively impacted. Who knew there were 5 massive runways there? SeaTac only has three runways.

This mega airport can enrich Eastern Washington in tax revenue, spin off industry and business. It will provide a transportation hub for Eastern Washington and Idaho, and take some pressure off SeaTac.

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