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Open Letter to the Airport Board and Airport Manager.

The current proposed location for the Snow Removal Equipment Facility (SREF) needs further consideration. My understanding is that a potential lease for the old spot prompted the administrative decision to relocate it.

I currently lease a tie down spot at the west end proposed new SREF location. I want to keep it. The current SREF location needs reconsideration.

Any lease space within the airport boundary is valuable to the operation of the airport. The west end tie down area is a very valuable lease area because of the current tie downs and any possible future hangar development. Losing this lease space forever with the SREF is a stupid decision. See the enclosed photo.

I suspect the old tie down areas parallel to the taxiway are the current plan for demand. I will not move out there again. It is a sand blasted, rain blasted, no man's land with almost continuous wind and a wind fetch as far as you can see down the channel to the east. The west tie down area has the wind broken up by buildings. Much better.

From my observations this summer, Aero Services was using much of the old tie down area along taxiway A for transient and business jet parking. This is a need now and into the future for transient parking. See the enclosed photo.

Better more economical locations exist for the SREF. I think the proposed fancy SREF should be located somewhere south of the float pond. This is airport property that has little if no lease value. Other locations and plans might include a shed over the current equipment parking area or possibly a shed in the old impound lot at much reduced expense.

Please consider my concern.

Thanks, Jon Ahlgren



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West end valuable lease space.