



[EXTERNAL] Save Our Skies Letter and Request

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Dear Members of Westminster City Council,

I am unable to attend public comment tonight but urge you to take this request seriously regarding Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport (RMMA), which is a public use facility. ***I and many other Westminster residents have spoken to you many times over the past 6 years and asked for your action on this matter. Why have you taken no action? The time has come.***

I ask the Westminster City Council to discuss and hold a vote to **endorse the Save Our Skies Alliance letter** sent to the Jefferson County Commissioners (BCC) on February 4, 2025. This letter urges the BCC to:

1. Implement landing fees.
2. Eliminate leaded fuel sales.
3. Avoid repetitive training operations via the Voluntary Noise Abatement Plan (VNAP).
4. Pause the Taxiway project.

These actions can be enacted by a vote of the BCC, which holds ultimate decision-making authority over RMMA as its airport sponsor.

Westminster residents have repeatedly asked RMMA staff to take these actions, but they've been ignored. The BCC continues to rely solely on airport staff for information, overlooking the concerns of impacted residents.

On March 11 during a BCC meeting, County Manager Joe Kerby acknowledged the SOS letter and there was discussion that the commissioners will soon discuss these actions publicly after an executive session. This progress shows that community pressure is working.

Endorsing the SOS letter demonstrates your commitment to protecting Westminster residents. The Westbrook Homeowners Association (398 homes) has endorsed the SOS letter. Nearly 30 Westminster residents from Green Knolls, Countryside, Walnut Grove, Westcliff, and Sheridan Green have asked the Westminster City Council to also endorse the letter (***see letter sent to you all on Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2025***).

We ask you to discuss and vote on this endorsement tonight. Supporting this letter would show your clear commitment to safeguarding our community.

Sincerely,

Bill Baraya, Westminster resident

