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West Bend Municipal Airport Environmental Assessment (EA)

Dear Ms. Abel:

I am writing in response to your letter dated February 2nd regarding the status of the environmental document. The updated EA should be completed in March. The Economic Study should also be completed in March and will contain a benefit/cost analysis though not required.

The requirements for public comment have been met and exceeded in the eight-year period of development of this document, however the document will be made available to reviewing agencies prior to publication.

Upon review and approval of the EA, if the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WI DOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) deem a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) appropriate, a Notice of FONSI would be printed in the local legal paper.

In regard to SEWRPC recommendations, the authors of the document have included the most recent approved recommendations. If you have questions about the updating of SEWRPC plans I will have to refer you to them.

I believe you will find that the updated EA will address most of your other comments. If you have further questions about the schedule for the environmental document, you may contact Craig Butler the project manager at (608) 266-2729.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mark A. Arnold".

Mark A. Arnold, PE
Acting Chief Airport Development

cc: Don Reed, SEWRPC