

Whereas The City of Burien earlier this year created the Burien Airport Committee (BAC) to provide advice and recommendations about forecasted changes to airspace capacity that would negatively affect the health and well being of Burien residents, and those living in surrounding communities. In response, BAC has concluded that at present annual growth rates (9-12%) that were not forecasted, it is doubtful Sea-Tac's current expansion will accommodate all anticipated growth beyond 2025.

Whereas Since 1989, governmental agencies tasked by state statutes with decision-making related to accommodating additional airspace capacity by building a new airport (PSRC and State DOT, Commerce and Transportation Commission) have studied options for growth in air transport movements (PSATC Programmatic EIS 1992, PSRC 1995-1996, LATS 2004-2009, WASP [current]?), but have failed to identify any alternatives to a continuation of subjecting large numbers of the local populations to ever-increasing noise and air pollution.

Whereas Communities surrounding the State's only large commercial airport have experienced a disproportionate burden of health impacts during these many decades, national and international studies are replete with descriptions of the deleterious effects on human health and environment of aircraft noise and air emissions. While some airports may have mitigated some environmental and noise impacts, regional and state officials continue *to ignore* the cumulative health effects of three local, one military, and the State's largest commercial airport operating within a condensed and densely populated citizenry.

Whereas The financial and environmental costs of continued expansion of a single large airport on a small proportion of the State's population is unreasonable and begs for Environmental Justice by the Puget Sound and State's leadership.

Now therefore be it resolved BAC recommends capping operations at Sea-Tac at a level consistent with new and updated sensitive land uses and a statewide plan that forecasts healthful conditions for local residents into the foreseeable future.

Further be it resolved, The BAC opposes Sea-Tac's SAMP plan and urges other local communities to insist that regional and state-level officials identify alternative locations for growth of air passenger and cargo movements.