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Subject:

Re: story about SAMP

Hi Stuart, I agree it's frustrating. There isn't a lot we can do to realistically influence the SAMP process, and there is a lot about the airport's growth that we disagree with. The entity to lobby is the Port of Seattle Commission and the Commissioners, Dave made that clear in response to my question to him. If we don't want the airport to grow, the Commissioners can prevent that growth. I do speak with the Commissioners but cities like Seattle, Bellevue, etc., far outweigh our voice in terms of being pro-growth for the airport and there's no way to win that battle considering the majority of voters live outside the heavily airport-impacted cities.

However because we also have important parallel relationships with the Port for benefits like the new overnight runway use agreement (which greatly benefits Normandy Park by moving late night landings away from the third runway, one of my signature achievements a few years ago) we are careful not to pursue an activist method with the Port — we don't want to burn our bridges for wins to NP gained in bodies like StART. This means we may have frustration with SAMP, have no realistic means to influence the process no matter how loudly we air those frustrations, but ultimately also want to protect residents by continuing to gain feasible/realistic wins in other Port-focused mitigation efforts outside SAMP. StART is a fragile process and if airport partner cities show bad faith or become too activist oriented, the Port will have little reason to continue hosting that engagement process which they aren't legally obligated to continue hosting.

Happy to chat if you'd like to call sometime, I do very much get where you're coming from.

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Hi, I have written a story about the SAMP meetings of Nov 13 and 14. It will be posted on Burien.news in a few hours. It is very frustrating to go to these meetings.

Stuart