Appendix E. Public Involvement



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

January 26, 2018

Ms. Kara Giblin **Environmental Specialist** Talbert & Bright 4810 Shelley Drive Wilmington, NC 28405

Dear Ms. Giblin:

Thank you for your letter of December 28, 2017, and the opportunity to comment on the proposed Runway 8-26 Approach Clearing Project at the Pitt-Greenville Airport. City staff has reviewed the information you sent, along with the Greenville City Code, Zoning Ordinance, Zoning Map, Comprehensive Plan, and deed conveying the Phil Carroll property to the City. Our comments regarding the proposed project are as follows:

- Your letter and the accompanying map incorrectly identify the Phil Carroll Nature Preserve property owned by the City of Greenville as tax parcel #57129. The correct parcel number for the Phil Carroll Nature Preserve property is #22731. Parcel #57129 is the smaller parcel adjacent to the Nature Preserve which is identified by the yellow Airport Property Line and is more profoundly impacted by the proposed project.
- The Phil Carroll Nature Preserve is high-quality wetland, and while we are uncertain as to whether this acreage is home to any threatened or endangered species, we do see this as the loss of some environmental value related to clean air and water.
- Equipment accessing the Phil Carroll Nature Preserve site should utilize, wherever possible, the old logging paths to restrict additional negative impacts. City staff should be contacted to arrange for and agree upon those access routes.

As co-owner of the Pitt-Greenville Airport, the City of Greenville appreciates the efforts to improve access and safety for the Airport property. City staff is supportive of the proposed Runway 8-26 Approach Clearing Project but is also mindful of the need to protect the Phil Carroll Nature Preserve as much as possible. We would appreciate cooperation in that regard from all parties involved in the land-clearing activity.

If you need additional information, please feel free to contact me at (252) 329-4432.

Ann E. Wall, City Manager

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