

United States Senate

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Brooke Chapman
Associate Director, Small Community Air Service Development
U.S. Department of Transportation
Office of Aviation Analysis
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Ms. Chapman:

I am writing to you in support of the Helena Regional Airport's application for Small Community Air Service Development grant funds to provide for new direct air service to Phoenix.

The Helena Regional Airport has consistently provided service to Salt Lake City, Denver, Seattle/Tacoma, and Minneapolis/St Paul for many years. Due to Helena's continuing growth, adding a new air service to a hub airport would bring significant benefits to the community and to passengers heading south.

If this application is successful, the Helena Regional Airport plans to add a new air service to Phoenix. By building relationships with the business community in Helena, the Airport has been able to build strong support for this effort.

I trust you will give this application fair and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,



Steve Daines
United States Senator