



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**Federal Aviation  
Administration**

Orlando Airports District Office  
5950 Hazeltine National Dr., Suite 400  
Orlando, FL 32822-5003

Phone: (407) 812-6331

Fax: (407) 812-6978

January 28, 2009

Mr. Fred Watts  
Airport Manager  
150 Airport Ave. East  
Venice, Florida 34285

Dear Mr. Watts:

**RE: Venice Municipal Airport; Venice, Florida  
Aeronautical Study 2008-ASO-714-NRA  
Request for Alternate Traffic Pattern on Runway 4/22**

The proposed change to your currently approved Airport Layout Plan (ALP) submitted by your March 4, 2008 letter has been reviewed under the authority of Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 77 and under the requirements of the Terms and Conditions of Accepting Airport Improvement Program Grants dated March 29, 2005. This review has considered the safety and utility of aircraft operations and planned navigational aids as related to this proposal.

This proposal is inconsistent with your currently approved ALP, and would create potentially conflicting and confusing traffic patterns. This type of alternate traffic pattern is not recommended without an operating air traffic control tower. Therefore, we **object** to this proposal.

This determination shall remain in effect until the next regular update of your ALP, or the next request for FAA approval of your ALP, whichever comes first.

This is a determination with respect to the safe and efficient use of navigable airspace by aircraft, and with respect to the safety of persons and property on the ground. In making this determination, the FAA has considered matters such as the effect the proposal would have on the existing airspace structure and projected programs of the FAA, the effects it would have on the safety of persons and property on the ground, and the effects that existing or proposed manmade objects (on file with the FAA) and natural objects within the affected area would have on the airport proposal.

This determination does not include approval of any lease, does not release any surplus or grant agreement acquired airport property, nor does it relieve the airport owner or the proponent of compliance with FAR, Part 155, or any other law, ordinance, or regulation of federal, state, or local government body or organization.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Krystal G. Ritchey, P.E.  
Program Manager

cc:

Aaron Smith, FDOT/Central Office  
David A. Ansley  
Nancy K. Woodley, City of Venice- Interim City Manager