## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

February 11, 2013

The Honorable John Pistole Transportation Security Administration 601 South 12th Street Arlington, VA 20598

Dear Administrator Pistole:

We write regarding a security plan proposal that the Grand Junction Regional Airport submitted to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) for its general aviation campus at the Grand Junction Regional Airport in Grand Junction, Colorado. Due to the strain that the airport's existing security protocol is placing on the community's interests, we urge you to consider this proposal as expeditiously as possible.

The pending proposal put forth by the Grand Junction Regional Airport was drafted with input from local stakeholders, including county and elected officials, the general aviation community, and members of the public. This process was part of an ongoing, good-faith effort to ensure airport security compliance with TSA regulations while promoting an environment beneficial to local business, commerce and flexibility of movement for general aviation. We appreciate the TSA's attention to this proposal and urge your agency to work with the relevant community officials to come to a balanced solution that protects the traveling public and respects the needs of the business and aviation communities. Should you determine the pending proposal to be noncompliant with applicable security requirements, please provide a detailed written explanation of the insufficiencies and what would be required to bring the proposal into compliance.

We thank you for your timely consideration. And please do not hesitate to contact our offices if we can help facilitate further dialogue between the agency and relevant community stakeholders through this process.

Sincerely,

Mark Udall U.S. Senator

Michael F. Bennet U.S. Senator

Scott Tipton

U.S. Representative