

Notes - Meeting with Bob Wagner, Ag Operator
Hood River County Airport
January 20, 1976 - 10:00 a.m.

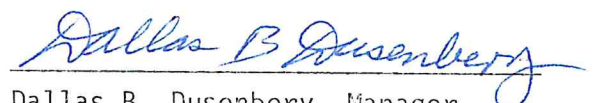
Present: Commissioner John A. Weber, Manager Dallas Dusenbery and Bob Wagner.

First, Bob Wagner said that he would be opposed to the operation of a joint facility. He feels there should be some space between the two ag operators. They could be in the same area, but because of their type of operation they should be separated by 200-300 ft. possibly. He feels, as Don Decker does, that they should be in the southwest section of the airport, near where his present operation is located. He has a very small lease with the County at the present time and has furnished all of his own facilities; water, power, telephone and sewage disposal.

Next, he feels that he could use a 5,000 sq. ft. building, which would be adequate for storage, a small office, and two or three planes. This is something that possibly could be built for him on a longer term lease, or that if he had a long term lease on the land, he could build himself to airport specifications. ~~The area around the~~

The area around the loading operation where the spray is loaded should be concrete, possibly a 50 ft. x 50 ft. slab, as the spray which could fall on the ground is harmful to asphalt, so this slab should be concrete. The sump for the waste spray should be near this loading slab, and this could be right alongside the service building. Bob feels that concrete should be used in the service building, in spite of it's additional expense, because of the fact that the spray and the oil and gasoline that spills on it seems to deteriorate asphalt rather rapidly. He also feels that they need their own fueling facility so that spray and fuel can be loaded at the same time, which is a considerable time saving to them in their spray application.

Bob expressed many of the same concerns that Don Decker did about the Port's taking over the airport, but now feels that we will be reasonable to deal with and that perhaps it is best from a long range standpoint for the Port to be operating it so we will give it the attention it needs for complete development. Bob also felt that all of them could and should pay a little larger share of the operation expense of the airport, particularly when they see that they are going to get increased services for this extra expense. He would have no objections to flowage fee on fuel or rental for space as long as it was applied equitably to all tenants and users of the airport.


Dallas B. Dusenbery, Manager