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Brooke Chapman
Associate Director, Small Community Program
Office of Aviation Analysis
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE W86-310
Washington, DC 20590

**Subject: Small Community Air Service Development Program
DOT-OST-2020-0231
City of Helena, MT – Helena Regional Airport**

Dear Ms. Chapman:

[REDACTED] strongly supports the air service proposal detailed in the Helena Regional Airport's Small Community Air Service Development Program grant application to obtain new, competitive air service to Phoenix (PHX). Like many businesses and government agencies in central Montana and across the nation, our business depends on access to air service to continue to prosper.

(INSERT BRIEF INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR COMPANY)

(INSERT INFORMATION HERE ABOUT HOW YOUR COMPANY USES AIR SERVICES AND ANY CHALLENGES YOU MAY HAVE EXPERIENCED WITH GETTING INTO AND OUT OF HELENA BECAUSE OF LIMITED CAPACITY CURRENTLY AVAILABLE)

For many years, Helena has supported service to Salt Lake City, Denver, Seattle /Tacoma, and Minneapolis / St Paul. We strongly believe that due to our community's ongoing growth it can support additional flights through competitive service to a new hub airport and bring relief to passengers heading south.

As you evaluate the merits of this application, I encourage you to consider how critically important air service is to the Helena community. The Airport has forged strong ties with the business community to support air service. We appreciate the opportunity to expand that partnership to include the US Department of Transportation through the Small Community Air Service Development Program. We are pleased to have the opportunity to support this grant application.

Sincerely,