

## **NORWOOD AIRPORT IS EXPANDING! BE INFORMED!!**

**IF YOU BUILD IT, THEY WILL COME!**

**PLEASE PAY ATTENTION TO NORWOOD AIRPORT'S FUTURE PLANS.**

**PASS THIS ON TO RESIDENTS, TOWN MEETING MEMBERS. THIS EXPANSION WILL BE VOTED ON AT A NORWOOD TOWN MEETING IN THE NEAR FUTURE!**

Immediate concern: Norwood airport in the design phase of runway 17/35 extension/expansion.

They will negatively impact us all. Please see: **Norwood Airport Runway Extension Pushed to 2026:**

<https://www.ainonline.com/aviation-news/business-aviation/2021-12-21/norwood-airport-runway-extension-pushed-2026>

- This expansion will add 300 feet to **each end** of the runway. **300+300 = 600 feet longer runway**. When complete, the runway will be longer for landing/take-offs.
- The funding for the design phase was passed at Town Meeting without even one question by residents or Town Meeting Members!! It was packaged in with other town business and slid through for a vote. **PLEASE BE INFORMED FOR THE UPCOMING PROJECT VOTE.**
- **Safety Concerns:** This will bring helicopters, turboprops, jets **lower/closer to residential areas, homes, playgrounds, schools and roads** during take-off/landings.
- Newly paved + longer runway = more helicopters, more turboprops, more jets: **increasing Safety concerns for residents, more lead, noise, and environmental pollutants.**
- EPA states **"The science is clear: exposure to lead can cause irreversible and life-long health effects in children,"** <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-determines-lead-emissions-aircraft-engines-cause-or-contribute-air-pollution>
- **More private jets** of the ultrarich. Private jets are **super polluters**.
- The Airport Commission states that expanding/extending runway is for "safety". Yet, **overruns are minimal** and caused by pilot error. **(What about the safety of the towns people??)**
- According to **Norwood Memorial Airport Technical Master Plan Update 2020:** [https://cms5.revize.com/revize/norwoodma/document\\_center/Airport/FINAL%20--%20Norwood%20Memorial%20Airport%20Technical%20Master%20Plan%20Update%202020.pdf](https://cms5.revize.com/revize/norwoodma/document_center/Airport/FINAL%20--%20Norwood%20Memorial%20Airport%20Technical%20Master%20Plan%20Update%202020.pdf)
- **RUNWAY 17/35'S WEIGHT BEARING CAPACITY IS DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE LARGER AIRCRAFT (SINGLE WHEEL 58.0, DOUBLE WHEEL 69.0) HOWEVER, THE LENGTH OF THE RUNWAY IS 4008 FEET WHICH IS INSUFFICIENT FOR THE DESIGN AT THAT WEIGHT.**
- This expansion will allow additional jets to land/take off, allow for more passengers, sell more gas. Once built the town/airport has no control over use. Limit growth/expansion will limit use.
- Norwood Airport is a **"reliever" airport for Logan**. (more jets/busier airport in the future).
- The Master Plan discusses **future airport expansion, land acquisition, future runway expansions, etc. PLEASE BE INFORMED!**
- Norwood Airport is surrounded by the **Neponset River Watershed**, a very sensitive environmental wetland that flows into Boston Harbor. This project will add **more impermeable material, more pollution to wetlands, increase global warming.**
- **This is a public health issue.** Living close to an airport causes negative health concerns. Children have lower learning outcomes. People all over the state and country are complaining about **aviation noise, lead, pollution, expansion.**
- The Norwood Airport Runway Extension/Expansion will be up for a vote at Norwood Town meeting in the near future. **Please contact Norwood residents, officials, legislators, environmental groups, and Norwood Town Meeting Members to VOTE NO!**

**FYI:**

- Stop Private Jet Expansion: <https://www.stopprivatejetexpansion.org/>
- Canton's Website: <https://nomassairnoise.org/>
- Last fall a Norwood resident complained of over 100 overflights over her home in one day! If This expansion passes at town meeting, there will be more **aircraft traffic added to Norwood Airport.**
- Norwood Airport's mission statement includes a **"community friendly airport"** yet the airport commission's actions do not reflect this.