



**CITY OF CORNING
AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2012
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THIRD STREET**

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL:

Commissioners:	Danny Salado Tony Miller Louis Davies Vacant
Chairperson	Barbara Boot

C. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: If there is anyone in the audience wishing to speak on items not already set on the Agenda, please come to the podium, give your name and address, and briefly identify the matter you wish to have placed on the Agenda. The Commission will then determine if such matter will be placed on the Agenda for this meeting, scheduled for a subsequent meeting, or recommend other appropriate action. If the matter is placed on tonight's Agenda, you will have the opportunity later in the meeting to return to the podium to discuss the issue. The law prohibits the Commission from taking formal action on the issue, however, unless it is placed on the Agenda for a later meeting so that interested members of the public will have a chance to appear and speak on the subject.

D. REGULAR AGENDA: All items listed below are in the order, which we believe, are of most interest to the public at this meeting. However, if anyone in the audience wishes to have the order of the Agenda changed, please come to the podium, state your name and address, and explain the reason you are asking for the order of the Agenda to be changed.

- 1. Waive the Reading and Approve the Minutes of the April 2, 2012 meeting with any necessary corrections.**
- 2. Discuss Annual Inspection letter from Caltrans Division of Aeronautics and City response prepared September 27, 2012**

E. ITEMS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FROM THE FLOOR:

F. ADJOURNMENT:

The Corning Airport Commission serves as an advisory body to the Corning City Council on Municipal Airport and Aviation issues including: Use, Master Planning, Land Acquisition and Development, Beautification, and Improvement and Maintenance of the Corning Municipal Airport. The Commission provides a public forum for the proposal and discussion of airport services and amenities that benefit the Community. Ideally the Commission would encourage Pilots, Airport Businesses, Airport Land Leaseholders, Hangar Owners and Tenants to work together in the planning for current and future facility and Airport needs.

POSTED: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2012

**CITY OF CORNING
AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**



**MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2012
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THIRD STREET**

A. **CALL TO ORDER**: 6:30 p.m.

B. **ROLL CALL**:

Commissioners:	Danny Salado Tony Miller Louis Davies Vacant
Chairperson:	Barbara Boot

All members of the Commission were present. Commissioner Salado arrived at 6:34pm.

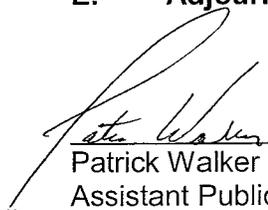
C. **Business from the floor**: None

D. **Regular Agenda**:

1. **Waive the Reading and Approve the Minutes of the October 3, 2011 Meeting with any necessary corrections.** Commissioner Davies moved to approve the Minutes. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. **Ayes: Boot, Miller, Pitman and Davies. Opposed: None, Absent: Salado. Motion approved by a vote of 4-0.**
2. **Announce the Vacancy on the Airport Commission resulting from the February 3, 2012 resignation of Commissioner Ed Pitman** – John Brewer discussed and asked if anyone was interested to please apply.
3. **Aviator’s Memorial Park**: Boot discussed getting more road base and leveling area
4. **Report on City’s meeting with Crop Dusters and their discussion of Airport use procedures**: The City hasn’t made contact with Crop Dusters. If no complaints are made no letters will be sent. There is about \$900 credit of material possibly available. Commissioner Boot will contact ex-commissioner Pittman to find out where the remainder of the material goes.
5. **Discussion of possible Solar Land Lease for property at Airport**: John Brewer submitted to the commission, possible locations of where solar might be installed on Airport property. Informed the commission that Council has gave permission to sign a lease.
6. **Update on the status of fencing project at the Airport**: John Brewer submitted to the Commission, the fencing configuration. The fencing will be delayed until Marguerite Ave is constructed.
7. **Review “Requests for Qualifications” (RFQ) received for the Airport Consultant Contract**: John Brewer reported to the Commission that 3 RFQ’s were received for the Airport Consultant Contract. Commissioner Boot asked if any of the Commissioners could review the proposals. John Brewer agreed.
8. **Discuss needed repairs to City Hangar currently leased to Rainbow Aviation at Airport**: It was agreed that this Item is part of Rainbow Aviation’s contract with the City and should not be on the Agenda.

9. **Discuss request for City support via use of City barriers for crowd control and presence of the Fire Department Truck & flag at the May 19th EAA Young Eagles Event at the Airport and a possible subsequent recommendation to the city council:** John Brewer requested Commissioner Boot submit a letter to the City requesting support.

E. **Adjournment:** 7:10 pm



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Item No.: D-2

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August 28, 2012

Mr. John Brewer
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Dear Mr. Brewer:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Division of Aeronautics, conducted a State permit compliance inspection and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Master Record (5010) update at Corning Airport (FAA Site No. 01443.*A) on August 23, 2012. Caltrans applauds your recent efforts related to the updating of your 5010 and the removal of extraneous blast pad markings. We appreciate the assistance and cooperation that Mr. Patrick Walker provided us during the inspection. The updated information will be entered into our records.

The airport was evaluated using Airport Reference Code B-I (small) based on your current Airport Layout Plan. Your State Airport Permit (No. TEH-002) dated April 10, 1974, and previous inspection letters were also used in our evaluation. Please note that this office will issue an Amended State Airport Permit following the incorporation of applicable runway configuration changes into the 5010 database.

Our inspection revealed the following items we bring to your attention:

1. As previously noted in our inspection letter dated April 27, 2011, the airport's 5010 and the current Airport/Facility Directory (AFD) do not reflect the current runway configuration that resulted from the runway relocation, the runway widening, the change of runway designation markings, a change to the Airport Reference Point Coordinates, and the addition of Precision Approach Slope Indicators (PAPIs). Please contact the San Francisco Airports District Office to ensure that the runway end coordinates are appropriately surveyed and that all applicable information is updated in the 5010 and AFD as soon as possible.
2. We observed brush and large weeds (see enclosed photo 1) west of the runway that are in the Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 77 Primary Surface. These weeds and brush, as well as any obstruction above runway grade, must be made level, flush to grade within 125 feet either side of runway centerline and within 200 feet from either runway threshold, or removed.
3. A line of trees, located west of the Runway 17 threshold (see enclosed photo 2), appears to penetrate the FAR Part 77, 7:1 Transitional Surface. These trees must be surveyed and topped or removed, if necessary, to ensure that they are clear of the Transitional Surface.

Mr. John Brewer
August 28, 2012
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4. The runway and taxiway markings are faded and should be scheduled for re-marking within the next two years. Markings must be applied in accordance with FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5340-1K, *Standards for Airport Markings*, Chapters 3 and 4.

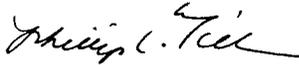
In addition to the above referenced discrepancies, we recommend implementing the following operational enhancement:

- Chain or rope tie-downs should be considered for installation on your primary parking ramp. This will both encourage greater usage of this ramp and enhance safety for aircraft parking in these positions.

It is Caltrans' objective to ensure that airports meet all current applicable FAA minimum design safety standards and AC criteria, FARs, State Public Utilities Code, section 21001 et seq., the California Code of Regulations, Title 21, sections 3525-3560, and all required conditions depicted in your State Airport Permit issued by Caltrans. All referenced publications in this letter, including many FAA ACs, may be found on our website at www.dot.ca.gov/aeronautics.

We are pleased to support and assist you in enhancing safety and utility at your airports and look forward to continuing a cooperative relationship with the city of Corning. We also remind you that the use of California Aid to Airports Program annual credit grant funds to correct safety discrepancies is considered an eligible expenditure. Please notify us by October 1, 2012, of your intended or completed actions concerning these items. Should you have questions or if we may be of further assistance, please contact me at (916) 654-5507 or via email at phillip.miller@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

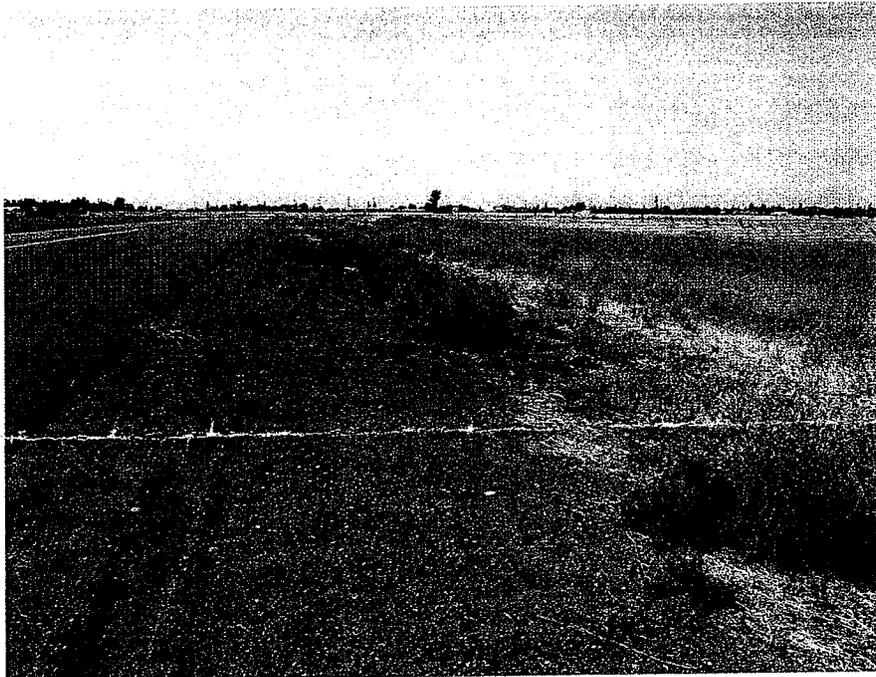


PHILLIP C. MILLER, C.M.
Aviation Safety Officer

Enclosure

c: FAA, SFO ADO

Photo 1



Brush in FAR Part 77 Primary Surface.

Photo 2



Trees appear to penetrate the FAR Part 77, 7:1 Transitional Surface.



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September 27, 2012

Re: Corning Municipal Airport

Dear Mr. Miller,

This responds to your letter dated August 28, 2012 regarding your recent inspection of the Corning Municipal Airport.

As you know, we completed an Airport Improvement Project in 2009 and 2010. The project shifted our runway 900 feet north and widened it to 60 feet, added a new aircraft apron, taxiway and some lighting and navigational equipment.

Your inspection report inquired about five issues: updated airport information, weeds, a line of trees that encroach into the transitional surface, fading pavement markings, and tie downs for the new apron. This letter will address those issues as they were presented.

- 1. Updated Airport Information.** When the major work was completed in 2009, we prepared an updated form 7480 and delivered it to the Federal Aviation Administration staff in Burlingame in early December. We understood submittal of that form would prompt FAA to update the Airport Facility Directory and the Form 5010. As a result of a similar letter from you in 2010, our airport consultant, Mr. Bob Wadell talked with you to determine if (1) your office submits the information under your FAA contract for 5010 services, or (2) if the FAA staff enters the data in the FAA system. Mr. Wadell found that only the FAA may enter the data and has requested that they complete the revisions. (Note that we have recently contracted with Mead & Hunt of Santa Rosa for Airport Consulting services. Mr. David Heal is our representative at Mead & Hunt.)

This seems like a very simple matter that continues to be unresolved. We're not sure what additional steps we need to take to get the changes reflected on the 5010. We're open to any suggestions you might have.

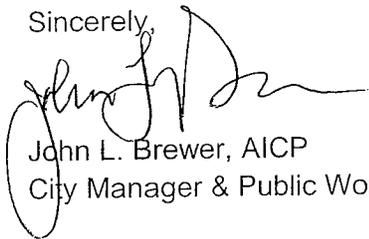
Additionally, a survey of airport facilities was recently completed by David Evans Associates-under contract with the FAA. In fact, I took a telephone call from the surveyor just yesterday who confirmed the runway dimensions are 2,702 feet in length

by 60 feet in width. Perhaps the FAA will utilize that and additional information they've generated to update the 5010.

2. **Brush and weeds.** We will schedule brush and weed removal with our Public Works crew.
3. **Line of trees.** The line of trees you refer to is indeed a linear row of cottonwood trees positioned north and west of the Runway 17 threshold. We're looking into acquiring FAA "obstruction removal" funding to either trim or completely remove the trees.
4. **Faded Markings.** We've included pavement marking in our ACIP and will seek funding to complete the remarking in calendar year 2013 or 2014.
5. **Tie Downs.** We have purchased aircraft Tie-downs. They are available from the FBO.

We believe this addresses the issues you presented in your letter. However, should you wish additional information, please feel free to contact me here at City Hall.

Sincerely,



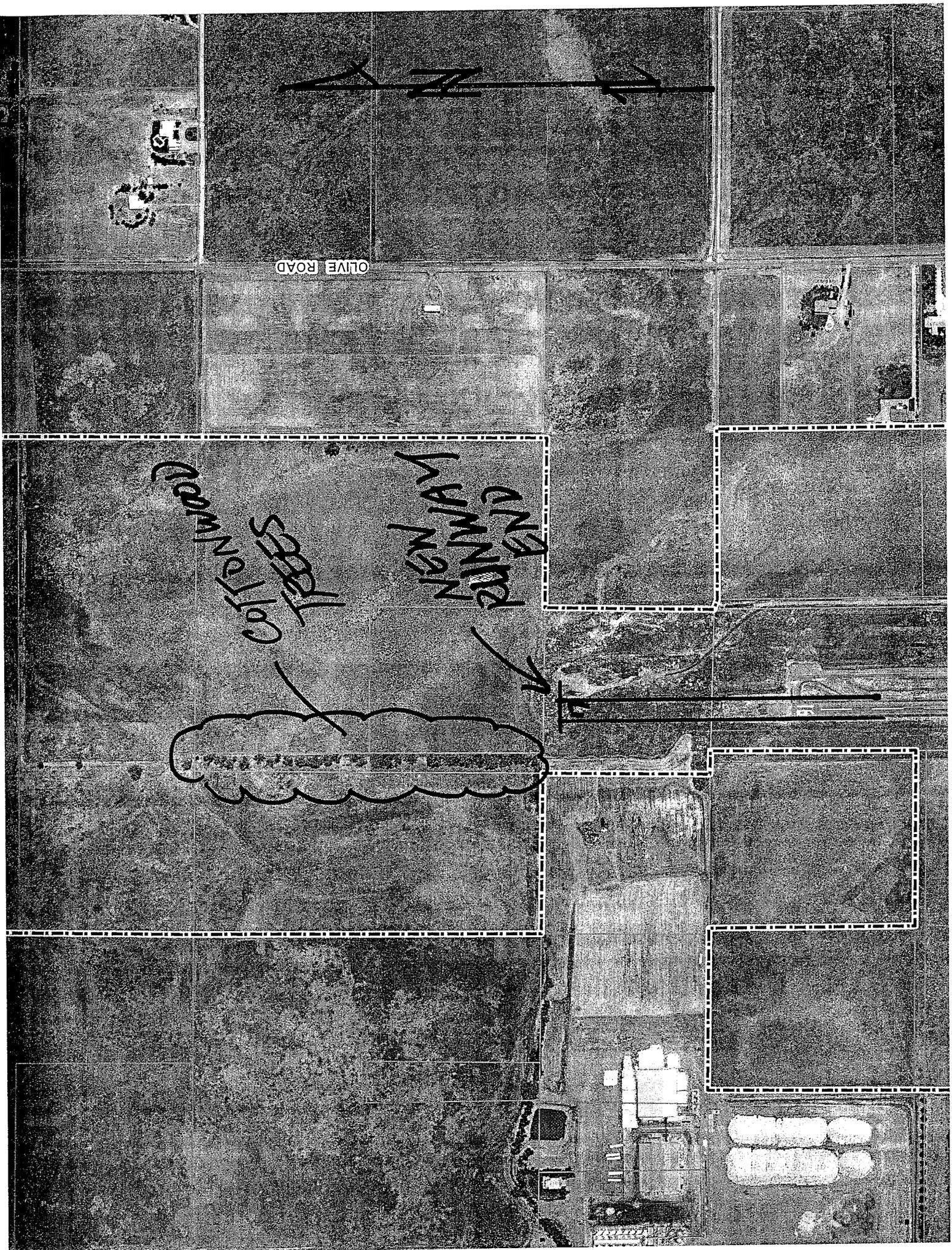
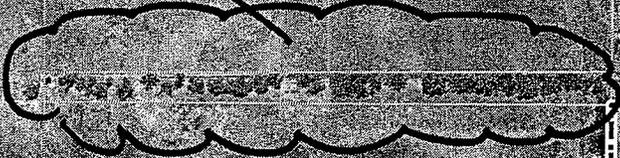
John L. Brewer, AICP
City Manager & Public Works Director

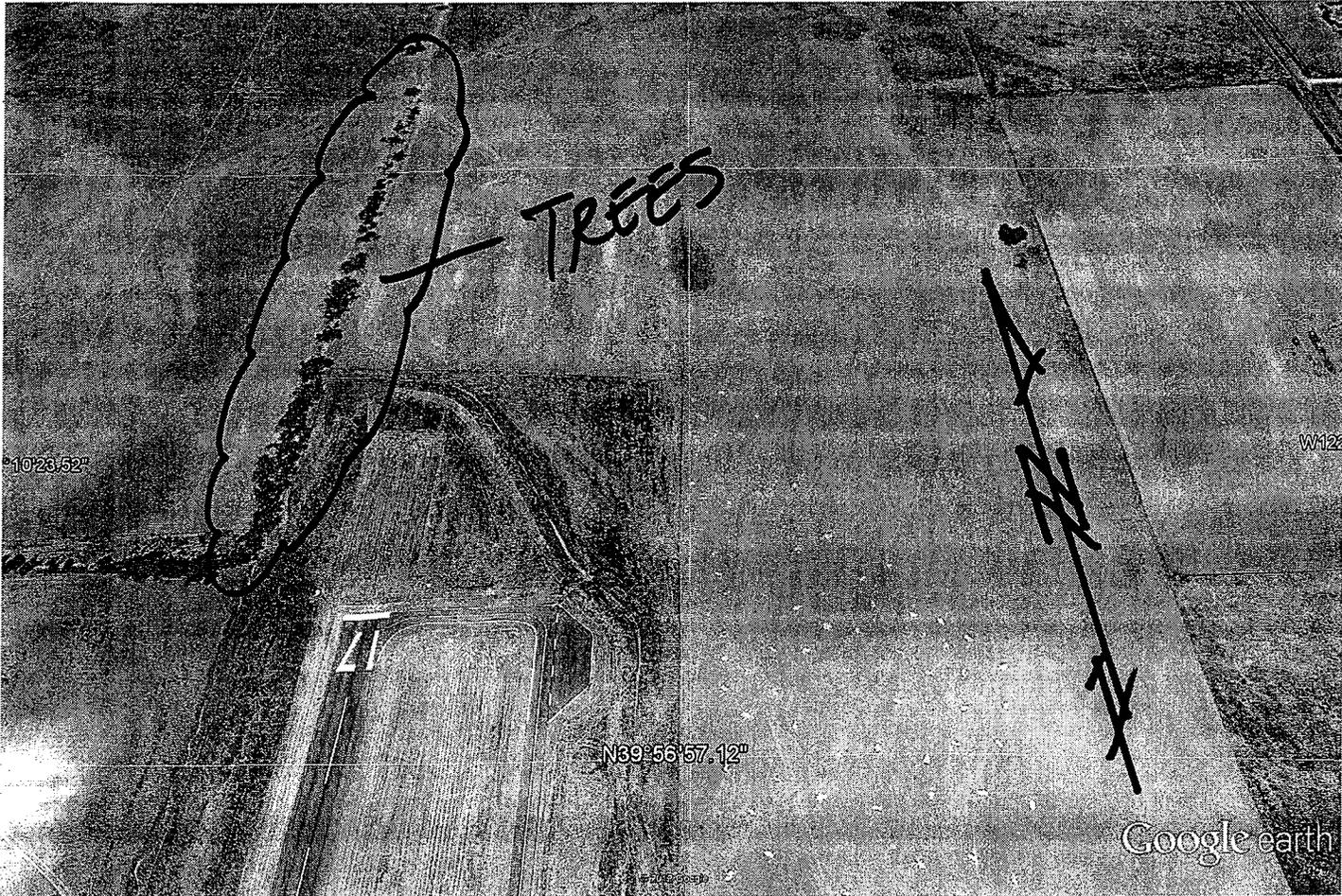
cc: Mr. David Heal-Mead & Hunt
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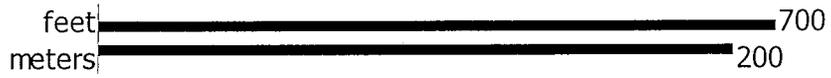
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