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WBAA is an organization representing Companies who are based in and around Wisconsin and who use aircraft in the course of their business operations. Several WBAA member companies have their aircraft based at Dane County Airport and many others frequent the airport.

It has come to our attention that the goose population around Dane County Airport has grown to a dangerous level. We only have to look back a little over a year to the USAir flight 1549 landing in the Hudson River in New York to realize the danger these birds pose.

WBAA has a long history of supporting proactive wildlife mitigation in and around Wisconsin airports. Every effort must be employed to ensure the safety of passengers and flight crews.

Our experience with mitigation operations shows that a comprehensive approach is best. This approach consists of:

1. Habitat modification
2. Wildlife removal
3. Dispersal methods
4. Active harassment

I understand that a goose roundup program has been proposed for Warner Park and that this program would be administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Since the USDA is the preeminent expert in wildlife mitigation operations nationwide, WBAA wholeheartedly supports this program and it is our hope that the program is implemented as soon as possible.

If I can be of further assistance in this issue, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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