

ComancheZOOM for Thursday January 126, 2023

Topic: **Saving Airports - part 1, Vista Field**

Thursday, Jan 26

This is the first of two ComancheZOOMs on saving airports from closure. We all remember what happened to Megis Field in Chicago, and are aware of pressures on many small (and not so small) airports around the world.

Airports are a national treasure. They provide a means for medical transport, agriculture, delivery services, businesses, recreation, a green space area, and much more. But what happens when attempts are made to close your airport? What can you as an individual do? Where do you start? Marjy Leggett will tell you the story of her fight to keep Vista Field in Kennewick, WA open. She will share the history of the airport, what led to its demise, lessons learned along the way, and tips you can apply to saving your own airport from closure.



Marjy is an instrument-rated private pilot who owns a 1964 Comanche 250. She has been flying since 1984. For her efforts in working to save Vista Field, she was awarded the Aviation Advocate of the Year award from the Washington State Department of Transportation and AOPA's highest award, the Laurence P. Sharples Perpetual Award.

Check out the proposed 2023 [/NE_FlyinSchedule](#). If you would like to suggest a fly-in location and date anywhere go to [/NE_FlyinSuggestionForm](#). We will help you set it up. Check out the "How to..." mini-Zoom at [/NeCT/PlanningFlyIn](#).

Pete Morse for the ComancheZOOM team To see/hear the recordings click on a link below:

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