

AD-HOC Review of AMCG Study of Hangar Rate Analysis-Aug. 2010

- **Purpose of the Review**
 - Evaluation of the Aviation Management Consulting Groups (AMCG) 2010 Analysis of the Hangar Rent Cost Allocation Structure.
 - Answer the Question – “Are the Hangar Tenants being Subsidized by Taxpayer Dollars”?
 - Answer the Question – “Is it Time for Another Study”?

Facts, Terms & Background

- **Truckee has 226 Hangars:**

- 206 Small Hangars

- * 197 T-Hangars

- * 9 End Pocket Hangars

- * Capital Costs Declining

- 20 Executive Hangars

- * A & F Rows – 2 Hangars each

- * L Row – 6 Hangars

- * H Row 10 Hangars

- **Airside:**

- Runways 11/29 and 2/20

- All Taxiways, all Apron Areas including around the Hangars

- **Landside:**

- Airport Roadways & General Parking Lots

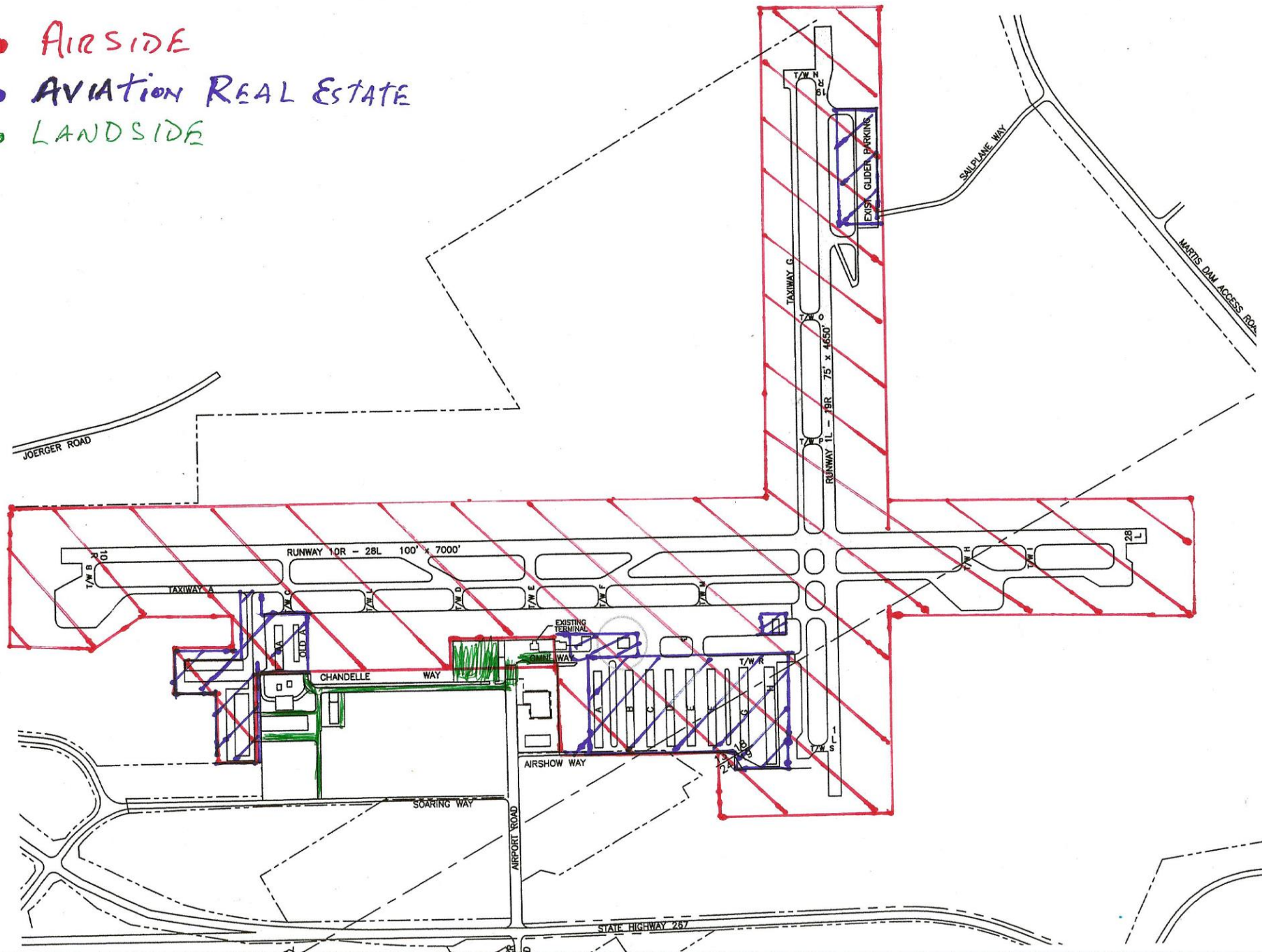
- **Aviation Real Estate:**

- All Hangars

- EAA Building

- Soar Truckee

- AIRSIDE
- AVIATION REAL ESTATE
- LANDSIDE



Facts, Terms & Background - Continued

- Assumed Flying Ops. in 2009 for AMCG Study:
 - Transient Operations = 62%
 - Local/Hangered Plane Operations = 38%
- Truckee Flying Activity w/o Soar Truckee - 1/1/12 to 8/31/12
 - 8,496 Total Operations (Take Offs & Landings)
 - 68% Transient Planes
 - Jets = 12% of Total Operations
 - Turbo Props = 20% of Total Operations
 - Singles = 31% of Total Operations
 - Twins = 5% of Total Operations
 - 32% of Plane Operations Hangered in Truckee
 - Jets = 1% of Total Operations
 - Turbo Props = 4% of Total Operations
 - Singles = 25% of Total Operations
 - Twins = 3% of Total Operations

Aviation R.E. 2009 Allocation & Calculations

- **AMCG Study Allocation Methodology – Pgs. 1-37**

– Hangar Revenue		\$1,282,397
– Operating Expenses	\$463,670	
– 25% Airside Costs	283,844	
– Access to Airside Cost (38% of 75%)	323,582	
– Annualized Capital Costs	420,551	
– 88% of Landside Costs	148,741	<u>(\$1,640,388)</u>
Profit/(Loss) from Hangars		(\$357,991)

- **AMCG Financial Reports – Pgs. 38 - 101**

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This Analysis Has Generated a Few Questions

- 1. Why review a Pricing Methodology in detail stating 38% of the remaining 75% of Airside Costs should be charged to the hangar tenants, but not include it in all the detailed financial Reports?
- 2. Why charge Hangar Tenants 88% of the Landside Costs when their Airside Usage is pegged at 38%?
- 3. Why did the Labor Costs for the Hangars increase 56% from 2006 to 2009 when the rate of increase for the Total Labor Costs at the airport only increased 24% during the same period?

Some Interesting Information From My Readings

- The Airport is a portion of this Country's Transportation Network, which Part of the reason we get federal funding.
- The Airport has Economic Benefits to the Community.
- These Economic Benefit is why in 1958 the taxpayers created a "Special District" and began to get FAA funding.
- Car Owners Don't Pay to Drive on Most Roads.(Dropped 38% Chg)
- FAA – Policy Regarding Airport Rates and Charges – 6/21/96
 - Aeronautical Fees May Not Unjustly Discriminate Against Users or User Groups.
- FAA Grant Assurances Include:
 - 22A – Airport is Available for Public Use on Reasonable Terms.
 - 22B – FBO's Shall Provide Services on a Reasonable Basis.

Question 1: Why Drop the Usage Charge of 38% of 75% of the Airside Costs?

- 75% of Airside Costs in 2009 was \$851,532.
- The Methodology was requiring the local tenants, to Pay 38% of this cost or \$323,582.
- Conversely, the transients (62% of the Operations) would have been expected to pay the remaining Airside Cost, Which would be \$527,750. ($\$851,532 - \$323,582$).
- However, transient fees of \$120,720 added to tie down fees of \$52,886, totaling \$173,606 comes up \$354,144 short of paying their share of the Airside Costs.
- In addition, 31% of total activity is from transient single engine small planes with no transient use fee charges.
- This would have been discriminatory against local hangar tenants. Maybe this is why it was dropped from the detailed analysis.

Truckee Take Off & Landing Activity

w/o Soar Truckee 1-1-12 to 8-31-12

- **8 Months of Activity Totaled 8,496 Operations:**

- Jets -- Transient = 12%; Home Based = 1%
- Turbo Props. -- Transient = 20%; Home Based = 4%
- Singles -- Transient = 31%; Home Based = 25%
- Twins -- Transient = 5%; Home Based = 3%

- **Transient Fee Capable Aircraft:**

- Jets -- Transient = 12% or 1,010 Operations
- Turbo Props. -- Transient = 20% or 1,740 Operations
- Twins -- Transient = 5% or 426 Operations

- **Planes Excluded From Transient Fees**

- Transient Singles -- 31% of Total Operations
- Jets -- 1% of Home Based Jets
- Turbo Props. -- 4% of Home Based Turbo Props
- Twins -- 3% of Home Based Twins

Question 2: Why Charge Hangar Tenants 88% of Landside Costs?

- Aviation Real Estate(hangar tenants) were charged 88% of Landside Costs or \$148,741
- The basis for using 88% is that hangar square footage represents 88% of the total real estate square footage on the airport.
- Note- All other Analysis' is based on traffic activity. Which would be 38%.
- The difference between an 88% charge and a 38% charge to hangar tenant costs is \$84,512.

Question 3: Why Did Hangar Labor Costs Go Up 56% When Total Labor Increased 24%?

- Total TTAD Labor Costs – 2006 to 2009:

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2009</u>
Payroll	\$1,056,924	\$1,292,071
Taxes	17,220	20,889
Benefits	<u>420,325</u>	<u>536,724</u>
Total	\$1,494,469	\$1,849,684

Three Year Increase of 24%

- Aviation Real Estate(Hangars) Labor Costs:

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2009</u>
Payroll	\$130,501	\$201,175
Taxes	2,126	3,252
Benefits	<u>51,899</u>	<u>83,568</u>
Total	\$184,526	\$287,995

Three Year Increase of 56%

- Aviation Real Estate Labor growth of 24% vs. 56% would total \$228,812 . A reduction of \$59,183 in the 2009 analysis of hangar costs.

Summary

- Are Hangar Tenants Being Subsidized by Taxpayers?

NO!

- The Evidence, using the discussed assumptions, points to the hangar tenants generating a profit for the Airport of approximately \$100K and cash flow of over \$500,000.

The Financials:	<u>Accounting Basis</u>	<u>Cash Flow Basis</u>
2009 Revenue	\$1,282,397	\$1,282,397
Operating Expenses	(463,670)	(463,670)
Labor Adjustment	<u>59,183</u>	<u>59,183</u>
Gross Profit	\$877,910 GM = 68.5%	\$877,910
Airside Charges = 25%	(283,844)	(283,844)
Annualized Capital Costs	(420,551)	0
Landside Costs = 88%	(148,741)	(148,741)
Landside Adjustment	<u>84,512</u>	<u>84,512</u>
Profit/(Loss)	<u>\$109,286</u>	<u>\$530,137</u>

- Plus Property Taxes on 226 Hangars & 138 Truckee based planes adds over \$250K to Placer and Nevada Counties revenues annually.

Summary - Continued

- No, I don't Recommend Another Study. We Didn't/Don't Use the Study to set Rates. Market Based Pricing is What We Have Relied Upon, Even after this Extensive Study.
- I Would Continue to Look to Staff for Annual or Bi-Annual Input on Rates in Similar Airports.
- However, I Would Note We Do Have a 4 to 5% Vacancy Rate in Our Small Hangars.