

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Dear Colleague:

Congratulations on the FAA's designation of an unmanned aerial systems (UAS) test site in your state. These test sites will lead to the integration of UAS into our national airspace and provide an enormous economic opportunity for our states and the nation.

We write to invite you to be a part of the bipartisan UAS Integration Working Group. While each of the test sites will have unique goals and objectives, we share a common interest in their success. We intend for this working group to serve as a point of contact between the Senate and the FAA and other government agencies, as well as a vehicle for gathering information, and where appropriate, advocating on behalf of the test sites and the UAS integration effort.

The establishment of the test sites required several years of work in Congress and represents a major milestone for the FAA. Now, however, the real work begins. New technology must be developed and evaluated, safety standards must be established and concerns about UAS sensors and privacy must be addressed. Continued attention from Capitol Hill will be required to ensure that the work performed at the test sites is translated into progress toward the goal of integrating UAS into the nation's airspace.

We hope you will join us in this effort. Please provide a staff point of contact to Josh Carter in Senator Hoeven's office or Mark Brunner and Nicholas Devereux in Senator Warner's office. We will be back in touch as the group begins its work.

Sincerely,



JOHN HOEVEN
U.S. Senator



MARK WARNER
U.S. Senator