

# Neighbors Concerned Over Bowman Field Tree Plan

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**LOUISVILLE, Ky.** -- Neighbors living near Bowman Field are learning more about new rules for their trees.

In order to comply with Federal Aviation Administration safety regulation, the airport authority might have to trim or cut down some trees near Bowman Field.

Some residents believe those cuts might put their homes in danger.

"I'm concerned about safety. If they're planning on doing what they're doing, and that's chopping and removing trees at 25 feet or so right in this area, my house line, my roof line is 31 feet, and that really scares me as a homeowner," said Angela Burton, who lives near Bowman Field.

The Airport Authority made it clear that all the regulation will do is expand Bowman's air space.

A meeting to explain the expansion will be held Wednesday.

Metro Councilman Tom Owen is also holding a community forum on Jan. 19.

On Friday, WLKY reported that the Airport Authority plans on expanding the runway. Louisville Regional Airport Authority spokeswoman Trish Burke said that is not the case. We apologize for the error.

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I was told that the Louisville Regional Airport Authority has every aviation attorney in Louisville on retainer, so as to create a conflict of interest for any such attorney whose services these neighborhood residents might seek.

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