

Hello,

I am a New Haven County resident, and I fly **EVERY WEEK** to and from Connecticut. My husband also flies at least **TWICE MONTHLY**. We are only able to use Bradley due to the limited schedule, very high cost flights, and long flight times/layovers that are available using Tweed. We have attempted multiple times to give Tweed the benefit of the doubt, and when we have, we've had our flights canceled, and had to ultimately change our flights to Bradley. On one occasion, I had to be redirected to Bradley but they could only change my flight out, not back in; I had to fly from Bradley to Cincinnati, then back into Tweed and take a \$110 Uber up to Bradley to get my car. For longer flights, my husband and I regularly use JFK and Newark. In fact last month we flew out of JFK and this month we are using Newark.

More convenient schedules, reliable flights, additional destinations, and even more airlines, are vital to economic growth. Many of my family and friends are unable to visit for weekends given the long flight layovers. Family from Ohio always drive because the drive is 8 hours and the flights are often much longer when layover is included (and so much money!). I can only imagine these poor flight options deter other visitors.

Please consider the proposal to expand Tweed. It is imperative for the growth and development of CT.

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