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Dear Supervisor Erickson,

I'm writing to encourage you to consider supporting backcountry airstrip access in the CGNF for general aviation pilots. It's been well established that the Recreation Aviation Foundation and other backcountry aviation groups have set high bars for responsible usage of wilderness areas by pilots. The sense of environmental stewardship runs very strong within this pilot population.

Additionally, historic usage of such USNF airstrips has shown that wildfire reconnaissance, rescue missions, increased citizen awareness and support of USFS efforts, and other important activities are all enhanced through the inclusion of civilian access to such airstrips.

Thank you for considering my input.