SPACEPORT

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is being developed to enable frequent, lower-cost access to suborbital space for microgravity and scientific research, space technology testing, target presentation, and other high speed and high-altitude applications.

Unlike traditional rockets, Aurora can be flown again within hours, enabling science and learning to be dramatically accelerated. This has attracted customers such as California based Astral Materials, a pioneer in advanced semi-conductors, who are booked to do up to 100 flights on Aurora in 2028 from Infinity One Spaceport.

"Oklahoma has built a reputation as a state where businesses can thrive, and Dawn Aerospace is a great example of what happens when we work together to turn opportunity into investment," said Oklahoma Lt. Governor Matt Pinnell. "It's been an honor to be part of this effort since our first conversations with Dawn in 2024. To go from those initial discussions to breaking ground in Burns Flat is a testament to Oklahoma's pro-business approach and our commitment to helping innovative companies succeed."

For western Oklahoma, the project brings a new commercial spaceflight activity to an established aviation site and could create opportunities for businesses and workers as operations develop.

"When people think about the future of the space industry, they might picture Florida or Texas. But some of the most exciting opportunities are taking shape right here in western Oklahoma," said State Representative Nick Archer. "Having a company like Dawn Aerospace establish operations in Burns Flat puts our region on the map in an entirely new way. It's an opportunity to bring new business, attract talent, and show what rural Oklahoma can contribute to a global industry."

"Oklahoma has always been a state that understands aviation, from the pilots who train here to the skilled technicians who keep aircraft flying," said State Senator Paul Rosino. "What's exciting about Dawn Aerospace is that it's taking something we're already good at and applying it to an entirely new frontier. These spaceplanes will use runways, aviation expertise, and technologies that connect directly to Oklahoma's strengths. That's why this is an opportunity worth pursuing."



Photo courtesy of ODAA

Representatives from the Oklahoma Space Industry Development Authority (OSIDA), Oklahoma Department of Aerospace and Aeronautics (ODAA), and state leaders join Dawn Aerospace to break ground on a new mission control facility and spaceplane hangar at Infinity One Oklahoma Spaceport in Burns Flat.

"Aurora is designed to change the economics of spaceflight by making it possible to fly more frequently, with aircraft-like operations and rapid reusability," said Stefan Powell, CEO and Co-Founder of Dawn Aerospace. "To make that possible, we need more than a runway. We need a place where we can prepare the aircraft, manage missions, and support our customers. Oklahoma offers a unique combination of capabilities and partners who understand what we're trying to achieve. This facility is a major step toward bringing that vision into service."

Expected to be completed in fall 2027, the new 15,000-square-foot development will include dedicated mission control, avionics and payload workspaces, a flight simulation office, conference rooms, and supporting operational areas. The adjoining hangar will accommodate the Aurora spaceplane and provide space for aircraft preparation and maintenance activities.

CANDIDATES

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injured at work. We had 74 people die on the job in 2024. We had over 15,000 people who were injured or became ill due to what had happened at work. That's unconscionable.

"...(The current director) has frozen the budget for the last three years. But that means that safety has been taking a back seat, and I'm not going to do that anymore. I'm going to move safety to the front. We cannot allow families to become collateral damage and become so aggrieved by the loss of a family member due to something at work."

He is running against Republican Kevin West.

Kelly Forbes, Lt. Governor

Kelly Forbes is a lifelong Oklahoman who grew up in Skiatook and Broken Arrow. He is a classroom teacher, school administrator, served as a federal program director, and is an owner of Kelly B's Consulting, where he helps schools and communities navigate the education and government bureaucracy. He is now an adjunct professor. He is the former president of the Oklahoma Association for Bilingual Education.

Forbes said, "This is about people over politics. This is about stopping to listen, to learn, to lead. The lieutenant governor serves on boards and commissions, including tourism and recreation and the Native American Culture and Education Authority. You are also working with local entrepreneurs and local businesses, making connections. The lieutenant governor serves on the film and music advisory board. We find ourselves at a crossroads. We are morally impaired. This is a time when we have to come together, again, put differences aside."

"We currently rank 50th of the states in education and that's not because of our teachers. That's not because of our students. That's because we are not prioritizing it, where that money goes into the needs of education. We don't necessarily need to raise any taxes. We need to reprioritize how we're currently using them, and that means we're not spending $275 million taxpayer dollars on private education. The overwhelming majority of our students are in educated in public schools.

"Our biggest issue is that we're last, and I know that together, we can't make a big difference, bring unity and help Oklahoma grow."

He is running against Republican T.W. Shannon.

Rhonda Eastman, Corporation Commission

Rhonda Eastman was born in Tulsa but grew up on a farm in LeFlore County. She worked for the state for 16 years before returning to the private sector in management. She is concerned about rising utility costs, abandoned oil and gas wells, wastewater injection sites, and tax breaks for data centers. She pointed out that one party has controlled all three seats on the Commission for decades.

Eastman said, "There are three commissioners on this board. We make more energy than we consume. In this area, you're probably familiar with massive pushback against high-volume transmission lines. There's a protest group that's been trying to push back on a line."

She also talked about orphan oil and gas wells. Oklahoma has more than 20,000 documented abandoned oil and gas wells and thousands of idle ones. These will fall to the state, and taxpayers will be forced to close them.

Data centers are one of the industries that have recently come under the scope of the Corporation Committee.

"Regulation exists for protection of the environment, resources, and the people from exploitation and abuse. Companies that intend to do the right thing' will never complain about regulation. As long as they follow the rules, they never have to worry about enforcement."

Her November opponent is Republican Brad Boles.

Brandon Wade, U.S. Congress, Oklahoma District 2

He was raised in Copan and for 26 years served as a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE), representing operating engineers, mechanics, surveyors, and stationary engineers. He has served as Committee Chairman and Vice President of IUOE and secretary of the Oklahoma Democratic Party Veterans Federation. He is the son of a Vietnam Army Veteran.

Wade said, "I am fighting for a stronger, fairer America where every citizen has equal rights and opportunities. I will modernize our immigration system, protect women's healthcare choices, fully fund public schools, and strengthen Social Security and Medicare. I believe healthcare must be affordable for all, our economy should grow from the working class up, and corporations and the wealthy must pay their fair share.

"I understand that representing, well, you have to talk to the people. You have to know what they want. And that's what I've been doing for the last four years, is up and down, eastern Oklahoma, talking to the people and understanding what we need and what we need to have done. I am tired of not having a voice in D.C. I'm tired of the people not being listened to. There is no reason why the people shouldn't have a say of what goes on in their state, their backyards and their neighbors."

He is running against Republican Congressman John Brecheen.

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LEGALS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DELAWARE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Application of CHARLA DEE HART, to change her name.

Case No. CV-2026-169
NOTICE OF FILING PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO Whom It May Concern:

Take Notice that Charla Dee Hart, has filed in the above Court a Petition to have the name of Charla Dee Hart to Charla Dee Gallagher; and that the same will be heard by the District Court of Delaware County, State of Oklahoma, in the Delaware County Courthouse, at Jay, Oklahoma, before the undersigned Judge, on the 2nd day of November, 2026, at 2:30 o'clock p.m.; and that any person may file a written protest in the case prior to the date set for hearing.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2026.

/s/ Nicholas Lelecas
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CLEARWATER BAY MARINA, LLC

The Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) is in receipt of an application to transfer the existing permit for Clearwater Bay Marina, LLC. The project is in Delaware County, Oklahoma. The applicant requests a waiver of the 1/3 of the cove rule and has no plans to modify the existing 6 docks with a total of 119 slips that are located on the property.

A public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 5, 2026 at 1:00 PM at GRDA's Ecosystems & Education Center, located at 420 E Hwy 28, Langley OK 74350.

GRDA wishes to solicit comments on this proposed project from all interested individuals and businesses. If you would like to submit written comments or have any questions, please contact Jacklyn Smittle at jacklyn.smittle@grda.com or 918-981-8473.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEEETING
GLRE Holdings OK, LLC
d/b/a Shangri La Marina

The Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) will hold a public meeting on Thursday, November 5, 2026, at 2:00 PM to receive public comments regarding the commercial application submitted by GLRE Holdings OK, LLC, d/b/a Shangri-La Marina, for a proposed dock expansion project in Delaware County, Oklahoma. The meeting will be held at the GRDA Ecosystems & Education Center, 420 E. Highway 28, Langley, OK 74350.

The proposed project would consist of relocating an existing 20 slip dock and adding 220 new boat slips and 70 PWC slips throughout three different phases. GRDA invites all interested individuals and businesses to provide comments on the proposed project. To submit written comments or ask questions, please contact Jacklyn Smittle, Grand River Dam Authority, P.O. Box 70, Langley, OK 74350 at jacklyn.smittle@grda.com or 918-981-8473.

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ROCKWOOD STORAGE
6823 HWY 59 N
Grove, OK 74344

Abandoned Property

Notification

The following storage units are in default of the Rental Agreement.

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The storage units tenant must make financial restitution to satisfy the lien in order to claim their personal property.

Unclaimed personal property will be deemed abandoned and then sold or disposed of at the discretion of Rockwood Storage as of

October 20, 2026

This is not an auction.

Please contact:
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(918) 786-7243

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