

# **KBVS**

# Skagit Regional Airport

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## Thank you!

Orbx would like to thank you for purchasing FTX US KBVS Skagit Regional Airport (KBVS).

KBVS Skagit Regional is the debut North American airport from developer Hugh Johnston, whose previous projects include YSCB Canberra and YCNK Cessnock. The scenery covers a large area including the surrounding farms (including tulip farms in spring), the Memorial Highway twin bridges on State Route 20, plus an extensive area of mudflats adjoining Padilla Bay.

Skagit Regional Airport (IATA: MVW, ICAO: KBVS, FAA LID: BVS) is a public airport located three miles (5 km) west of the central business district of Burlington and northwest of Mount Vernon, both cities in Skagit County, Washington, United States. The airport is owned by the Port of Skagit County. It is situated in the Bayview Industrial Park.

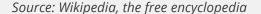
Although most U.S. airports use the same three-letter location identifier for the FAA and IATA, Skagit Regional Airport is assigned BVS by the FAA and MVW by the IATA (which assigned BVS to Breves, Pará, Brazil)

#### **Facilities and aircraft**

Skagit Regional Airport covers an area of 1,835 acres (743 ha) which contains two asphalt paved runways with pilot activated lights: 10/28 measuring:  $5,477 \times 100$  ft ( $1,669 \times 30$  m) and 4/22:  $3,000 \times 60$  ft ( $914 \times 18$  m).

For the 12-month period ending October 31, 2006, the airport had 58,100 aircraft operations, an average of 159 per day: 96% general aviation, 3% air taxi and <1% military. At that time there were 151 aircraft based at this airport: 91% single engine, 2% multi-engine, 7% jet aircraft and 1% ultralights.

In the 1980s, Harbor Airlines operated commercial passenger flights into and out of MVW to Seattle-Tacoma International and to Oak Harbor, WA, using Britten-Norman Islander aircraft.







# Product requirements

This scenery airport addon is designed to work in the following simulators: Microsoft Flight Simulator X, Lockheed Martin Prepar3D v1, Lockheed Martin Prepar3D v2 and Lockheed Martin Prepar3D v3.

**Orbx FTX Pacific Northwest** is also required for full functionality.

#### What will you miss out on if you don't have Orbx FTX Pacific Northwest installed?

- Blending of the airport photoreal into the surrounding terrain
- Moving traffic on roads, properly aligned to the photoreal ground terrain
- Enhanced FTX Global 3D lighting system with improved FPS in urban/township streets around the airport
- Orbx's modified houses and trees which match North American houses and trees

Please visit https://orbxdirect.com/product/pnw to purchase your copy of FTX Pacific Northwest if you haven't already done so.





# Quick Installation Guide

Installing Orbx FTX KBVS is all managed by our FTX Central application. This app is responsible for many aspects in maintaining your Orbx installation. Please visit the support forums to learn more.

Once you have purchased KBVS it will be added to your account and you can have FTX Central download and install it for you. The appropriate scenery library entries will also be managed by FTX Central.

You may also manually download KBVS and then have FTX Central manage the installation for you once downloaded.

#### An internet connection is required for FTX Central to validate your license.

Please note that the above all refers to FTX Central 3. Earlier versions of FTX Central are no longer supported but will still function as before. The integration of FTX Central with your OrbxDirect account is only available with FTX Central version 3 and above.





# Scenery Coverage Area





#### **WN51 Bayview Farms**

As a bonus addition to further your enjoyment of the KBVS Skagit Regional Airport scenery, Hugh Johnston has also included another airfield (WN51 Bayview Farms) which is helpful for those wanting to do simple circuit work or touch and go's.

Here's two screenshots showing each location:



**KBVS Skagit Regional** 



WN51 Bayview Farms



## Airport Information and Charts

### Burlington / Mt. Vernon / Skagit Regional (Bayview) / BVS



#### Communications

AWOS-3 ...... 121.125 CTAF/UNICOM ... 123.075

PCL ...... CTAF (For MIRL, REILs, &

VASIs Rwy 10/28; LIRL Rwy 04/28)



#### **Navigation**

Elevation ...... 144' MSL

TPA ...... 1144' MSL (1000' AGL);

Ultralights 644' MSL

(500' AGL)

Runway ........... 10/28; 5477'x100'; ASPH

04/22; 3000'x60'; ASPH

Lights ...... Dusk-dawn, MIRL, LIRL

Latitude ..... N 48° 28.25'

Longitude ...... W 122° 25.25'

#### Services

Fuel ...... 100LL, Jet A (24-hour credit

card fuel services)

Notes

Deer and birds on and in vicinity of runways. Helicopter training ops on airport with autorotations on runways.

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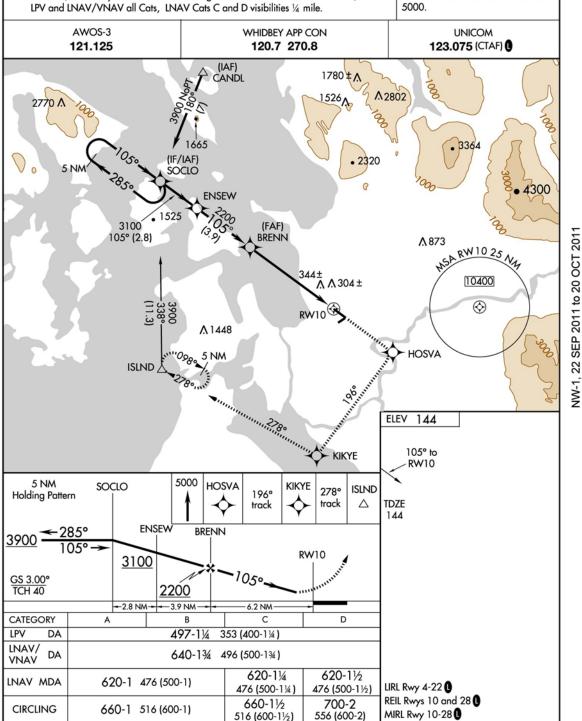
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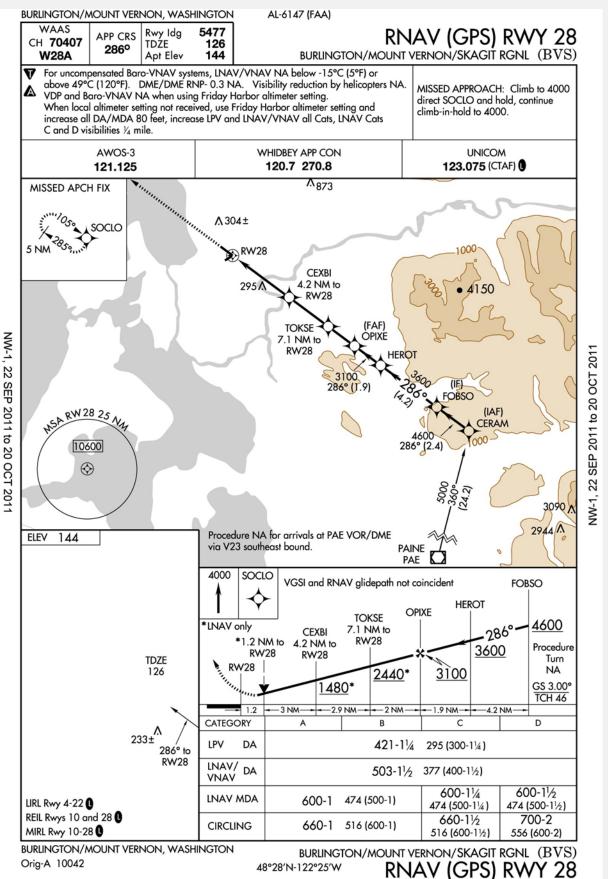
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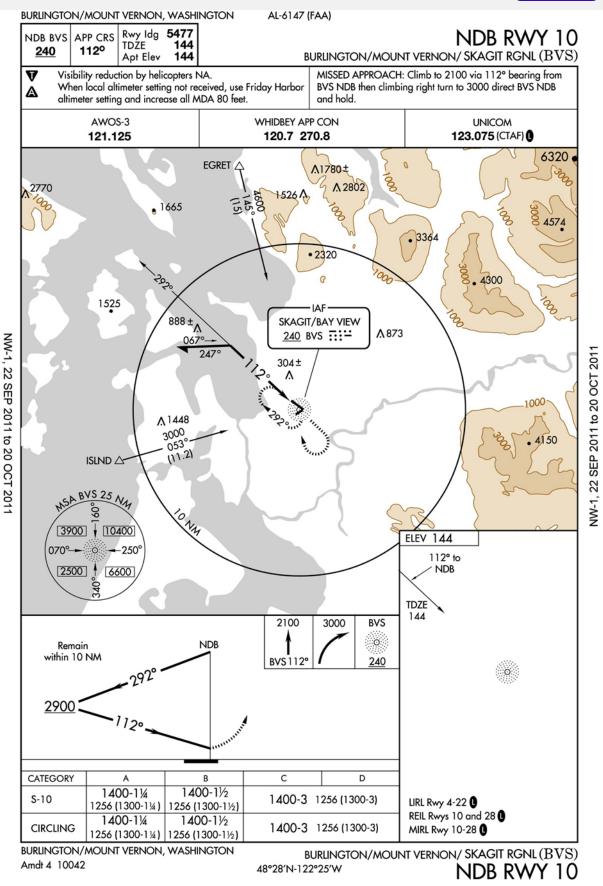
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Charts Source: http://skyvector.com/airport/BVS/Skagit-Regional-Airport



### The KBVS Control Panel

The KBVS Control Panel can be accessed from the main FTX Central interface by clicking the Configure button.

The Control Panel will enable you to disable or enable certain scenery features of the airport to allow it to perform in accordance with the PC hardware you have. By default, all scenery options are enabled by the installer. If you have a high end PC, enable all the CP options. For low to midrange PCs it is recommended to try disabling some settings.

# Quick Reference Simulator Settings

The table below lists in a handy reference the minimum recommended settings required in your simulator to enjoy KBVS the way Orbx designed it. These settings will run well on most PCs and take particular advantage of the custom mesh and photoreal imagery used in the scenery area.

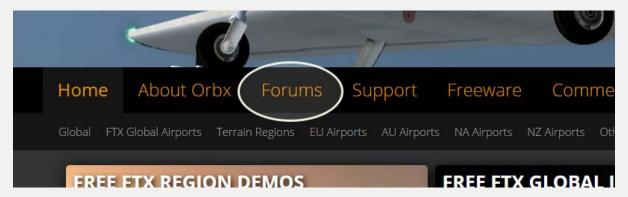
If you use the settings below you will be guaranteed the highest fidelity experience and the best balanced performance.

Setting	Value	Why?
Level of detail radius	Large	Reduces blurring of textures.
Global texture resolution	Max	Displays photoreal textures best.
Mesh complexity	100	Better terrain definition.
Mesh resolution	5m	5 m is required for KBVS
Texture resolution	7 cm	Sharpest roads and freeways.
Scenery complexity	Extremely Dense	How Orbx designed FTX KBVS.
Autogen density	Normal	Best FPS vs detail.
GA Al traffic	16-50%	Recommended for this scenery.
Road vehicle traffic	16%	No need to set higher for FTX.



### Product Technical Support

Orbx has a very simple support policy: no question unanswered. That means, should you have any questions about KBVS or its use, please feel free to register on the forums at orbxdirect.com and then log a support question in the FTX Payware Support Forum section. Orbx FTX experts will be available to review your support questions and you will usually get a reply on the forums within 12 hours, often much sooner than that.



To visit our support forums, click on the "Forums" button shown on the homepage of orbxdirect.com.

#### Please do NOT email support requests

Orbx provides world-class support on our forums, and it's the only way in which you can receive support for KBVS. Provided you adhere to the forum terms of use and have a legitimate copy of KBVS, you will always be offered our support at no cost as we work toward a resolution to your problem each time.

#### Use the forum search function

Before you post a question, please try searching for the answer first, using the forum's built in search function located on the forum menu bar.

### What to include in your support requests

If at all possible, this is what we'd like to see provided for each request you log:

- A separate post on the FTX support forums for each issue (don't tag new issue reports onto existing threads).
- Include your ORDER NUMBER from your KBVS purchase in your post or forum signature section.
- A screenshot to highlight what you are talking about.
- A descriptive post title which clearly states what the issue is.
- Detailed comments in your post about what you are reporting on.

The Orbx support team is always on standby to assist you with any problems you may have, or will comment on your issue reports. Please remember, our priority is fixing any urgent issues first, and addressing bug reports second. Clearly though, any "show stopper" bugs will be given top priority though.



## FTX Community Forums

FTX already has quite a thriving and active user community on the forums, with over 63,000 members as of September 2016. To visit the forums, just point your web browser to orbxdirect.com and from the front page click the "Forums" menu item.

You don't need a user account to view other people's posts and information posted by Orbx staff, but if you'd like to join in on the discussion there, simply create an account. It's instant and no validation email is required. We like to keep things simple.

We hope to see you there soon!

# Thanks for reading!

You've stuck with us through all these pages of information, and we appreciate you taking the time to read the user guide. We hope it gave you some tips and insights. See you on the forums!





### The FTX KBVS Team

### Lead Developer

• **Hugh Johnston**: All 3D modeling, texturing, ground imagery, ground polys, build management, installer

### Additional Orbx Developers

• Orbx Team: Orbxlibs objects

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• Graham Ecclestone: Al Traffic

• Holger Sandmann: Roads/traffic adjustments, flattens

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