



LAX/COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE

Recap of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2023

The Roundtable meeting was conducted virtually via video conference using the Web Ex platform.

Roundtable Members Present

Denny Schneider, Chair, Alliance for a Regional Solution to Airport Congestion
Jeff Moskin, 1st Vice Chair, Raintree Condo & Townhouse Association
Richard Montgomery, 2nd Vice Chair, City of Manhattan Beach
Jim Withrow, City of Inglewood
Henry Lo, City of Monterey Park
Mayra Guevara, City of Los Angeles Council District 10
Jacob Burman, City of Los Angeles Council District 11
Rick Mullen, City of Malibu
Robert Nemeth, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Keith Eich, San Gabriel Valley COG
Curt Bouton, United Neighborhoods Neighborhood Council
Brad Vanderhoof/Myrl Schreibman, West Hills Neighborhood Council
Timi Romolini, Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council
JoAnn Williams, United Homeowners Association
Kathryn Pantoja, Los Angeles World Airports

Airlines Present

Spirit Airlines – Carl Stallone
United Airlines – Glenn Morse

FAA Present

Carlette Young, Acting Supervisor Senior Advisor
Larri Frelow, FAA Community Engagement Officer
Adam Scholten, Environmental Protection Specialist
Susumu Shirayama, Environmental Protection Specialist

LAWA and Consultant Staff Present

David Chan, Secretary, LAWA
Jacob Haik, LAWA
Dan Yeung, LAWA
James Hensley, Virtual Meeting Host, LAWA
Gene Reindel, Facilitator, HMMH
Mariano Sarrate, Scribe, HMMH

A quorum of the members was present.

1. Welcome/Review of the Meeting Format

Welcoming of the Roundtable membership and the public occurred at 1:36 p.m. The meeting was conducted virtually with the Chair running the meeting with assistance from the Facilitator. The public was provided with a phone number for public comment. General public comment was invited as scheduled on Agenda Item 3.

2. Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Identification of Those Present

The meeting was officially called to order at 1:38 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was taken and a quorum announced.

3. Comments from the Public

A resident of the Los Angeles area inquired about community meetings that were previously mentioned. He also noted that his residence is located near the existing LAX noise contour and inquired when the noise exposure map would be updated.

4. Reappointment of Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council as an At-Large Member for a Two-Year Term

David Chan, Roundtable Secretary, presented the request to reappoint the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council as an At-Large Member for a two-year term.

The Roundtable, by acclamation, unanimously approved this membership renewal.

5. Introduction of New LAWA Representative

The Chair thanked Kathryn Pantoja for her 32 years of service with LAWA. This is Kathryn's last Roundtable meeting as a LAWA representative since she is retiring as of July 31, 2023. Kathryn expressed gratitude for working with the Roundtable and introduced the new LAWA representative Jacob Haik to the Roundtable.

Roundtable member discussion ensued; the members thanked Kathryn and welcomed Jacob.

6. Discussion/Consideration of Submitting Comments on FAA's Noise Policy Review

The Facilitator provided information pertaining to the FAA's noise policy review. The FAA's review will include potential revisions to noise metrics and thresholds. The FAA is soliciting the public for input on the review process by providing questions they would like answered in 11 categories. The comment period deadline is September 29, 2023.

The Facilitator stated that two Roundtable workplan items are directly related to subjects of the FAA's review and 4 other items are potentially applicable. He recommended that the Roundtable submit comments as a body and encouraged the members to also submit comments as individuals and/or entities they represent.

The FAA requested the comments/responses specify which of the 11 categories each comment is associated. The FAA representatives introduced themselves and assisted in answering members' questions pertaining to this subject.

The Facilitator guided Roundtable discussion in each of the 11 categories. The note taker kept a log of the discussions and the items suggested by the members as a potential response to the FAA's request.

Some of the key items discussed during the meeting included improving communication practices, enforcing deadlines on airlines and manufacturers for Stage 5 aircraft

implementation, changing weather assumptions in models by implementing nonhomogeneous/non-averaged weather assumptions, and including certain key ideas from the SFO Roundtable comment letter.

At the end of the discussion, the Facilitator requested that any additional comments be submitted to the Secretary, David Chan, by Friday, August 4, 2023. The draft LAX Roundtable comment letter to the FAA regarding the review of the Civil Aviation Noise Policy will be included as an agenda item for the next Roundtable meeting for membership approval to submit to the FAA.

7. Discussion/Consideration of Supporting Aircraft Noise Provisions in FAA Reauthorization Bill

The Facilitator provided a status of the FAA Reauthorization Bill to the Roundtable, noting that it was likely going to be approved by the U.S. House of Representatives today or tomorrow and is currently stalled in the U.S. Senate. With Congress in recess during the month of August, only a few weeks remain for the Senate to pass their version of the FAA Reauthorization Bill. If the Bill is not enacted by September 30, 2023, it is likely Congress will pass a continuing resolution as they have done in previous years. The noise provisions of the House and Senate bills were presented to the Roundtable.

Roundtable member discussion ensued. The Facilitator noted that it was unlikely a letter from the Roundtable would make it to the Congressional members before a vote was cast on the House bill. However, the Facilitator suggested drafting a letter to the Senate requesting noise provisions from the House version to be included in the Senate version of the bill. The Roundtable agreed with his suggestion.

8. Report from Technical Working Group

Jeffrey Moskin, 1st Vice Chair, provided an update on the progress of the various efforts of the Technical Working Group. The efforts included cooperation with LAX air traffic controllers to keep aircraft flying higher for longer, as an experiment, during the hours of 1 am to 5 am. The group solicited the FAA for information on TSAS.

Roundtable discussion ensued. The Facilitator was asked to provide a summary of the Technical Working Group meeting to the Secretary for distribution to the Roundtable members.

9. Update on LAX Fly Quieter Program

David Chan provided an update on the LAX Fly Quieter Program. Scoring elements and categories were discussed. The 2022 winners of the three categories (based on total operations) were identified. The winners' recognition included a reception, advertisements, an annual report, and a press release. Special recognitions were given to carriers that voluntarily made extra efforts to participate in Roundtable meetings and/or reduce aircraft noise, like retrofitting aircraft with vortex generators.

10. Roundtable Member Discussion

The Chair solicited the members for input on agenda items to be covered in the next meeting. None were given. The Roundtable members were reminded to submit additional comments regarding the FAA's Noise Policy Review to the Secretary by August 4, 2023.

11. Review of Roundtable Action Items

The Facilitator reviewed the formal actions and member requests.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. and will be held virtually.