



## **LAX/COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE**

Recap of the Regular Meeting of July 20, 2022

*In conformity with Assembly Bill 361 Section 3(e)3 and due to concerns over COVID-19, the Roundtable meeting was conducted 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  
Carl Jacobson, City of El Segundo  
Stacey Armato, City of Hermosa Beach  
Jim Withrow, City of Inglewood  
Geoff Thompson, City of Los Angeles – Council District 4  
Mayra Guevara, City of Los Angeles – Council District 10  
Noah Fleishman, City of Los Angeles – Council District 11  
Henry Lo, City of Monterey Park  
Blake LaMar, City of Palos Verdes Estates  
Danna Cope, LAX Area Advisory Committee  
Curt Bouton, United Neighborhoods Neighborhood Council  
Jacqueline Hamilton, U.S. House Representative – 37th District  
Brad Vanderhoof, West Hills Neighborhood Council  
Timi Romolini, Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council  
Jim Reed, 360 at Southbay HOA  
Kathryn Pantoja, Los Angeles World Airports

### **FAA Present**

Faviola Garcia, Acting Deputy Regional Administrator  
Carlette Young, Acting Senior Advisor  
Joseph Bert, OSG Aviation Technical Supervisor

### **Airlines Present**

Spirit Airlines – Carl Stallone  
Alaska Airlines – Lynae Craig  
AeroLogic Airlines – Maximilian Weilbach  
United Airlines – Glenn Morse

### **LAWA and Consultant Staff Present**

David Chan, Secretary, LAWA  
Esteban Moledo, Virtual Meeting Host, LAWA  
Gene Reindel, Facilitator, HMMH  
Doreen Stockdale, 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 1:35 pm. The meeting was conducted similar to in-person meetings 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 1:37 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken and a quorum announced.

## **3. Comments from the Public**

A resident provided a comment regarding the problems with NextGen implementation and the FAA.

## **4. Report from By-Laws Ad Hoc Committee**

The Roundtable Chair introduced proposed changes to the language in the Roundtable By-Laws that would allow for an additional Los Angeles Council District as a Roundtable member. This would result in up to a total of 4 council districts within the Roundtable membership.

The Roundtable approved through acclamation to adopt the proposed language augmentation for the by-laws and acknowledged Geoff Thompson as the Roundtable representative for Los Angeles Council District 4.

## **5. Election of Roundtable Chair and Vice Chairs for Two-Year Term**

Danna Cope presided the election for Chair and Vice Chairs. The election concluded with Denny Schneider re-elected as Roundtable Chair, Jeff Moskin re-elected as First Vice Chair, and Richard Montgomery re-elected as Second Vice Chair. All three officer positions are on a two-year term.

## **6. LADYJ Departure Modification Proposal: FAA Briefing on Preliminary Assessment and Member Update**

Joseph Bert, FAA, presented the preliminary assessment result for the proposal submitted by the Roundtable to modify the LADYJ departure procedure. Information about the current LADYJ flight path and the proposed change was presented to show how they affect the population and households. The FAA indicated that the proposed flight path modification is technically feasible and will likely result in an increase in the population affected by the proposed change.

Timi Romilini, Roundtable member, presented her information on the LADYJ amendment. She stressed that the proposal is asking to restore the historical track of the departure. Timi said that the impacted areas are not as drastic as shown by the FAA. Her research showed that according to the State of California and the 2020 Census, the difference between the LADYJ and the CASTA procedures regarding affected populations is negligible. The objective is to restore historical noise exposures on the departure routes.

Roundtable member discussion ensued. Faviola Garcia, FAA Acting Deputy Regional Administrator, stated that the next step is for LAWA to communicate with FAA on whether or not the airport endorses the LADYJ departure modification request. Kathryn Pantoja informed the Roundtable that LAWA's executive management is reviewing the results of the FAA's assessment of the Roundtable's proposed modification to LADYJ.

The Roundtable approved through acclamation to move forward with the CASTA Hybrid option of this modification proposal in the FAA's flight procedure process.

## **7. North Downwind Option B Proposal: FAA Briefing on Preliminary Assessment and Member Update**

Joseph Bert, FAA, briefed the Roundtable on the preliminary assessment result of the North Downwind Option B proposal. If implemented, this modification would move 30% of the traffic off of the north downwind arrival route and have them join the final approach path at a point farther east near Ontario. The Option B proposed route would conflict with many arrival and departure routes for numerous airports in the SoCal area. In addition, Option B, as proposed, would overload the standard workflow for air traffic controllers. The FAA determined that the Roundtable's proposed modification for the North Downwind arrivals is not technically feasible. The FAA will continue to work with the Roundtable to find other possible solutions to address the current noise issues associated with the north downwind arrivals.

One member of the public commented on the item and asked for more detail regarding the people that complained about the proposed modification and what the specific conflicts are with other airports.

Geoff Thompson presented his information on the Option B proposal. He covered an extensive history regarding the noise issues associated with the north downwind arrivals. He said that the primary issues with the North Downwind are the low altitude overflights, the concentration of traffic and the nighttime noise.

Roundtable member discussion ensued. The Roundtable approved through acclamation to have the FAA provide additional detailed information such as flight procedures, waypoints, and altitudes, that conflict with the North Downwind Option B proposal. This additional information may be helpful for the Roundtable to review in exploring alternative options.

## **8. Status Update on Facilitator Contract and Selection of One Roundtable Member to Participate in the Selection Process for New Contract**

David Chan, Roundtable Secretary, reported that the Roundtable Facilitator contract will expire on December 31, 2022. He is looking for a Roundtable member to participate in the LAWA Evaluation Panel along with other LAWA staff. The member must be a staff person or an elected official representing a governmental agency in order to participate. Noah Fleishman from Council District 11 volunteered.

The Roundtable approved through acclamation for Noah to represent the Roundtable in the Roundtable Facilitator selection process.

## **9. Determination to Continue Holding Virtual Roundtable Meetings under Assembly Bill 361**

The Roundtable approved through acclamation to continue meet virtually, which requires two special meetings prior to the regular meeting in September 2022. The sole purpose of these special meetings is to make a determination every 30 days to meet virtually in accordance with AB 361.

## **10. Roundtable Member Discussion**

Geoff Thompson asked for the JUUSE waypoint relocation to be on the next agenda. Timi Romilini asked for the LADYJ departure modification to be on the next agenda.

## **11. Review of Roundtable Action Items**

The Facilitator reviewed the formal actions and member requests.

## **12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 pm. The special meetings required to continue meeting virtually are scheduled at 1:30 pm on Wednesday, August 17, 2022, and Wednesday, September 14, 2022 with the next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 1:30 pm.