



May 25, 2005

Mr. William Withycombe, Regional Administrator  
Western-Pacific Region  
Federal Aviation Administration  
15000 Aviation Blvd  
Lawndale, CA 90261

Dear Mr. Withycombe:

The purpose of this letter is to recognize and thank you for the fine work by your staff in support of the Los Angeles International Airport/Community Noise Roundtable, and to request the ongoing support of the FAA in our continuing efforts.

Since the formation of the Roundtable in September 2000, FAA staff has been an essential part of the work of the body by augmenting the work of Los Angeles World Airports' staff, and has allowed the Roundtable's members to seek opportunities to attempt to mitigate aircraft noise in the communities impacted by operations at LAX.

Your initial sponsorship of the Southern California Task Force, and more recently the FAA's participation with the Roundtable, has resulted in specific actions that should be effective in reducing exposure to aircraft noise events.

The results of our collective efforts to date include the following:

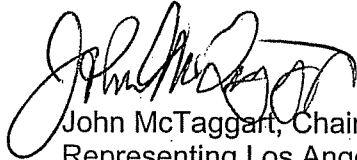
- Increasing the coastline crossing altitude to 6,000 feet or above for the BASET TWO and REEDR THREE arrival procedures to Runways 06 and 07 during LAX Easterly Operations;
- Addressing the use of over-water routings to minimize overflights of the Palos Verdes Peninsula by turbo-prop and jet aircraft;
- Accelerating the implementation of the KWYET RNAV departure procedure to avoid the low over flights of coastal communities; and
- Positioning of the helicopter approach/departure paths to avoid the over flight of residential portions of the City of Hawthorne.

In the coming years the Roundtable will continue to focus its deliberations on opportunities that are most likely to result in noise impact reductions and that offer a good opportunity to being implemented. It is the Roundtable's policy that efforts to affect a reduction in noise impacts be achieved safely, effectively and will not cause needless impacts on aviation users nor the shifting of noise from one community to another.

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Again, I want to thank you for your continuing support of the Roundtable's efforts and to request the ongoing future participation of your staff. Please address your correspondence to me c/o LAX/Community Noise Roundtable, P.O. Box 92216, Los Angeles, CA 90009-2216, Attn. Robert Holden.

Yours very truly,



John McTaggart, Chairman  
Representing Los Angeles County Fourth District Supervisor Don Knabe

Cc: Honorable Senator Dianne Feinstein  
Honorable Senator Barbara Boxer  
Honorable Representative Jane Harman  
Honorable Representative Maxine Waters  
Honorable Representative Dianne Watson  
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The Honorable John McTaggart  
LAX/Community Noise Roundtable  
Los Angeles World Airports  
1 World Way  
Los Angeles, CA 90009-2216

Dear Chairman McTaggart:

Thank you for your letter of May 25, 2005, expressing your recognition and thanks of the FAA's effort on behalf of the Los Angeles International Airport/Community Noise Roundtable.

The Roundtable has provided invaluable assistance to the communities of the Los Angeles Basin. By increasing public awareness and identifying clear goals, the Roundtable is a proven success in this dynamic and growing region.

As you mentioned in your letter, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has been providing technical expertise since the Roundtable's formation in September 2000. Let me assure you that the FAA fully supports the efforts that the Roundtable has made over the past years and plans to continue full participation as long as we can provide a valuable service to the community. Regardless of who is assigned to provide technical assistance to the Roundtable, the FAA can be relied upon to be a full participant.

I look forward to our continued partnership and success. If you or any of your staff have any questions on this matter, please contact John Clancy, Area Director, Western Terminal Operations, at (310) 725-6500.

Sincerely,

*Richard S. Cameron*

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Regional Administrator