Welcome To
LAX Part 161 Study Overview
LAX Part 161 Study
LAX/Community Noise Roundtable
Noise Subcommittee
October 16, 2002
Reasons for LAX Part 161 Study

• Item I.4 of the Roundtable Work Plan

• LAWA Agreed to the Study in its MOU with the City of Inglewood
Objective of a Part 161 Study
To Obtain FAA Approval to Implement a Noise and Access Restriction on Stage-3 Aircraft
Why do a Part 161 Study

The Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 (ANCA) preempts airport proprietors from implementing any noise and access restrictions on Stage-3 aircraft without Federal Aviation Administration approval.
Goal of LAX Part 161 Study

To prohibit the east departure of all aircraft, with certain exemptions, between the hours of 12:00 a.m (Midnight) to 6:30 a.m when LAX is in Over Ocean-Operations or when it remains in Westerly Operations during these hours.

This is known as the Proposed Restriction
When Will the Proposed Restriction NOT be in effect?

When LAX has “turned around” and is in Easterly Operations
Which Aircraft Will Be Exempt

• Military Aircraft
• Medical/mercy flights
• Government owned/operated aircraft involved in:
  • Law Enforcement
  • Fire/rescue operations
  • Other emergency operations
LAX Proposed Restriction

• The specifics have not yet been determined

• The *Proposed Restriction* could be established by:
  • City Ordinance
  • Airport Regulation
  • Lease Conditions
  • Airport Use Agreement Conditions

• The *Proposed Restriction* will have sanctions for non-compliance

• The *Proposed Restriction* does not bind the FAA
LAX Proposed Restriction

Possible Penalties for Non-Compliance

• Criminal Misdemeanor Penalties
• Civil Penalties
• Increased Landing Fees
• Denial of Use of LAX for Repeated Violations
• Require the Airline to Disclose Certain Information
FAR Part 161 Study Process

Three General Elements

Element 1

• Collect Data and perform necessary analyses to justify the Proposed Restriction

• Explain the Environmental and Economic Impacts of the Proposed Restriction

• Prepare the required reports and application materials
Part 161 Process Elements

Element 2

• Notify the Public, Airport Stakeholders and the FAA

• Allow sufficient time for comment on the *Proposed Restriction*
Part 161 Process Elements

Element 3

Submit the Proposed Restriction and Supporting Documentation to the FAA for Review and Approval

The FAA will **NOT** approve and LAWA **CANNOT** implement the Proposed Restriction unless it has complied with all three elements
Part 161 Statutory Requirements

In order to obtain FAA approval of the Proposed Restriction LAWA must demonstrate that it satisfies the six statutory conditions set forth in ANCA.
Part 161 Statutory Requirements

Therefore, LAWA must collect substantial evidence to prove that:

1. The *Proposed Restriction* is reasonable, nonarbitrary and nondiscriminatory.

2. The *Proposed Restriction* would not create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce.

3. The *Proposed Restriction* would maintain safe and efficient use of navigable airspace.
Part 161 Statutory Requirements

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4. The Proposed Restriction would not conflict with any existing federal statute or regulation.

5. LAWA has provided adequate opportunity for public comment on the Proposed Restriction.

6. The Proposed Restriction does not create an undue burden on the national aviation system.

The FAA’s Part 161 Regulations explain in detail the type of analysis LAWA must complete in order to satisfy the six statutory requirements of ANCA
Types of Analyses Required

Five Types of Analyses

- Noise Analysis (Single event and DNL/CNEL)
- Airspace Analysis
- Legal Analysis
- Economic Cost/Benefit Analysis
- Environmental Analysis (CEQA/NEPA?)
Where Are We Now?

• RFP for LAX and VNY Part 161 Studies on the December 3rd BOAC Meeting for Approval

• Select Consultant or Consultants in Spring 2003

• Start the Study in Late Spring or Early Summer 2003

• Estimated 3 to 5 Years for Completion of the LAX Study
THANK YOU