LAX Community Noise Roundtable

Work Program Item C1. Establish Working Relationships
with Other Roundtables

November 9, 2011



"Roundtable membership desires to establish formal ongoing working relationships with other airport noise Roundtables or other community forums"

Areas Primarily Affected:

Global Issue affecting all sectors

Status:

Continuing item





Work Program Activities have included:

- LAX Roundtable sent copies of letters to the SFO Roundtable and the ORD (O'Hare) noise commission
- LAX Roundtable Facilitator arranged for a guest speaker from another airport noise forum
 - In July 2009, David Carbone, Program Manager of the SFO Roundtable, attended the LAX Roundtable to provide a presentation on SFO Roundtable and to establish a working relationship between the two roundtables
- In January 2011, Steve Alverson, SFO Roundtable Coordinator, became the LAX Community Noise Roundtable Facilitator
 - Steve's involvement in both Roundtables provides a greater opportunity for increased awareness of each roundtable's activities





At the July 2009 LAX Roundtable meeting:

- David Carbone presented on the SFO Roundtable background, membership, work program, funding structure and other essential information
- Mr. Carbone discussed possible ways in which the two roundtables could begin to work together; including sharing of agendas, work programs and other documents
- Other ideas included distributing the SFO Roundtable Newsletter to the LAX/Community Noise Roundtable and inviting an LAX/Community Noise Roundtable representative to a future SFO Roundtable meeting
- Member Danna Cope indicated it would be a good idea to get on the SFO Roundtable e-mail and newsletter lists
- Mr. Bob Holden asked for the information to come to him and he would distribute to the LAX Roundtable
- Mr. Carbone stated that the SFO Roundtable would have a new website by the end of the year that will include agendas, reports, and correspondence



Brief Update on the SFO Roundtable:

- Celebrating its 30th Anniversary in June 2011, the SFO Roundtable is comprised of 22 members: 21 elected representatives, one member from the ALUC
- Approved a three-year strategic plan (7/2011 to 6/2014) that focuses on:
 - Noise Monitoring
 - Airline Outreach
 - Supporting Aircraft Noise Reduction Legislation and Research
 - Addressing Community Concerns
- Work program is guided by the strategic plan, but accommodates other community concerns as they arise
- SFO Roundtable has moved to a four-meeting per year schedule with one additional meeting reserved for critical issues that arise
- Increased noise in the City of Brisbane is one of the issues the Roundtable is working on



Brief Update on the SFO Roundtable:

- The Fly Quiet Program is the cornerstone of SFO's noise abatement efforts and quarterly results are reviewed at every meeting
- Annual Fly Quiet Awards are given to the airlines that:
 - Achieves the highest score for the year
 - Shows the most improvement
 - Demonstrates effort above and beyond the call of duty to address noise issues at SFO
- A Fly Quiet Program video was produced and distributed to the airlines that operate at SFO
- Annual field trip to the Northern California TRACON with members of the Oakland Noise Forum includes a briefing on the airspace structure and tour of the sector where controllers are working Bay Area air traffic
- Annual "Noise 101" course with a tour of the SFO Tower



Brief Update on the SFO Roundtable:

- David Carbone retired in September 2011, Steve Alverson is now the acting SFO Roundtable Program Manager
- LAWA is not on the SFO Roundtable agenda packet E-mail list
 - At the request of the LAX Roundtable, can add David Chan to SFO Roundtable enotice list
- Meeting agenda packets, Meeting overviews, Bylaws, Memorandum of Understanding, and more are available on the SFO Roundtable website at:
 - http://www.sforoundtable.org/
- A new website should be in place by the beginning of 2012
- Interest in the SFO Roundtable remains high with frequent inquiries and visits by people at noise forums from other parts of the country



Other Roundtables/Noise Forums:

- Oakland International Airport Noise Forum www.flyoakland.com/noise/noise_oakforum.aspx
- San Diego International Airport Airport Noise Advisory Committee www.san.org/sdcraa/airport_initiatives/noise/anac.aspx
- Reno-Tahoe International Airport Airport Noise Advisory Panel –
 <u>www.renoairport.com/about_airport/support_community/noise_environmental_programs/</u>
- Portland International Airport Citizen's Noise Advisory Committee -<u>www.portofportland.com/noise_mgmt_cnac_home.aspx</u>
- Chicago O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission www.oharenoise.org
- Minneapolis St. Paul Airport Commission Noise Oversight Committee www.macnoise.com/noc
- Plus many more



Benefits of Working with Other Roundtables/Noise Forums:

- Staying abreast of how aircraft noise concerns are being addressed elsewhere
- Avoid "reinventing the wheel" on issues relevant to the LAX Roundtable
- Develop "best practices" approach to LAX Roundtable operation/work program
- Present a united front on issues of common concern at a national level





Drawbacks of Working with Other Roundtables/Noise Forums:

- Great deal of focus on local noise issues that are often unique to that community/airport
- Meetings are geographically diverse; there are expenses and time commitments associated with attending other roundtable/noise forum meetings
 - This cuts both ways in terms of attending other roundtable meetings and having other roundtable members visit the LAX Roundtable
- Tremendous amount of material produced for each meeting that would be difficult/time consuming to review and distill for the LAX Roundtable





Recommendations for Working with Other Roundtables/Noise Forums:

- Request to be placed on the e-notification lists for the agendas of key roundtables/noise forums the LAX Roundtable wishes to track
- Subscribe to publications such as the Airport Noise Report or Noise Regulation Report that specialize in covering airport noise issues including roundtable/noise forum activities
- Monitor N.O.I.S.E.'s Quarterly "Washington N.O.I.S.E. Watch"
 - www.aviation-noise.org/noisewatch.html





Recommendations for Working with Other Roundtables/Noise Forums:

- Tap into the direct connection Steve Alverson has with the SFO Roundtable
 - Request updates after an SFO Roundtable meeting with any items that would be of interest to the LAX Roundtable
- Attend a national aviation noise conference such as the UC Davis Noise Symposium and report back on other roundtable/noise forum activities
- Based on the reviews of the materials described above, take action when necessary to support an issue of national concern





