



LAX/COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE

Recap of The Meeting of January 10, 2007

Roundtable Members Present

John McTaggart, Chairman, Representing LA County Fourth District Supervisor Don Knabe
Denny Schneider, Vice Chair, Westchester /Playa Del Rey Neighborhood Council
Carl Jacobson, Councilman, City of El Segundo
Gary Parsons, Councilman, City of Hawthorne
Mike Gurekas, Representing Congressman Dana Rhorabacher
Edgar Saenz, Representing Congresswoman Maxine Waters
Roy Hefner, LAX Area Advisory Committee
Gina Park, Assistant City Manager, Rancho Palos Verdes
Beverly Ackerson, PANIC
Dorothy Harris, Ladera Heights Civic Association
Roger Johnson, LAWA
Bob Holden, LAWA
Walt Gillfillan, Roundtable Facilitator

1. Call to order

Roundtable Chairman John McTaggart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Samuel Greenberg Boardroom, LAX

2. Appointment/Confirmation of up to Three (3) At-Large Members for a Two (2) Year Term from January 2007 through December 2008 – John McTaggart

An action was taken to affirm the three current at-large members – Westchester Neighborhood Assn.; the Peninsula Aircraft Noise Information Committee (PANIC) and the Ladera Heights Civic Assn. for the two year term ending December 31, 2008.

3. Report On The November 2006 LAX Part 161 Study Community Outreach Meetings – Bob Holden

The meetings were held on November 14 in South Los Angeles (116 in attendance); in Inglewood on November 15 (76 in attendance) and on November 16 in Lennox (46 in attendance). A workshop format was used at the meetings with separate stations for the presentation of information.

Of the six steps in the study, the project is at steps 3 and 4. This study is a part of the Community Benefits Agreement and has a web site at - laxpart161.com. The Roundtable will have opportunity to review/comment on steps 3 (forecast) and 4 (benefit/cost analysis).

4. Report on LAX Operational and Noise Level Changes Since the Closure of Runway 25L – Bob Holden/Scott Tatro

Data were collected prior to the closure (on July 29) for March through July and post-closure from August through November. It was noted that there were similar levels of operations during these periods.

The analysis included runway utilization, aircraft operations, noise analysis and complaint record analysis. A presentation of the results was made using Power Point graphics. The following comments were offered:

- There was not a major difference between the four and three runway configuration
- Was there a difference in the air traffic delays?
- There seems to be an increase in ground noise and low frequency noise in the North Side
- The number of go-a-rounds seem low
- Daily number of aircraft operations pre 9/11 was approx. 2200/ day; post 9/11 is 1700 to 1800/ day.
- Would like to see actual event numbers rather than percentages
- Would like to see single event noise values as well as CNEL
- Complaints blurred by Master Plan community outreach; A number of people no longer call
- Should distinguish between household and individual complaints
- How should one use noise complaints – as a vote or as a triggering function?
- Should consider noise metrics originally discussed by the Noise Subcommittee members
- There are fewer short arrival turns on the North Side
- Need noise information identifying aircraft types

5. Roundtable Member Discussion

The following items were discussed:

- Should obtain additional information from noise complaint records
- There is more noise in the Westchester area in the late night (4:00 a.m.)
- Need a commitment to use more single event noise information. A motion to call a meeting of the Noise Subcommittee was agreed to. A tentative date of February 14 was established subject to a meeting room availability
- On a motion, it was agreed to formally ask the Air Transport Association to return to the Roundtable as an ex-officio member
- There was interest in who was attending the UC Davis Noise from the Roundtable membership
- It was noted that at new LAX Noise Management Program brochure was now available

6. Comments from the Public

There was a comment from the public thanking the Roundtable members for their time and efforts on behalf of the public in efforts to affect noise impacts in the communities surrounding the airport.

7. Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the Roundtable will be convened at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening, March 14, 2007 in the Samuel Greenberg Boardroom, LAX.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.