



LAX/COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE

Recap of the Regular Meeting of May 9, 2007

Roundtable Members Present

John McTaggart, Chairman, Representing LA County Fourth District Supervisor Don Knabe

Denny Schneider, Westchester /Playa Del Rey Neighborhood Council

Mike Cassidy, Representing Hermosa Beach Councilman Sam Edgerton

Carl Jacobson, Councilman, City of El Segundo

Tammy Evans, City of Monterey Park

Roy Hefner, LAX Area Advisory Committee

Beverly Ackerson, PANIC

Roger Johnson, LAWA

Bob Holden, LAWA

Kathryn Pantoja, LAWA

Frank Sweeney, FAA, ATC

Walt Gillfillan, Roundtable Facilitator

1. Call to order

Roundtable Chairman John McTaggart called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. in the Samuel Greenberg Boardroom, LAX

2. Discussion of Runway 25L Departure Noise Issues Since Reopening of the Runway – Kathryn Pantoja, LAWA

Kathryn Pantoja presented a PowerPoint summary of data collected by the airport staff indicating the return of arrival and departure traffic to Runway 25L. During the time period April 2 through April 4 the percentage of departures on the outboard Runway 25L varied from a high of 61% to a low of 2%. In the time period April 9 through May 5 the variation was 9% to 12%. Comments and questions from the Roundtable members included:

- There are departures on the outboard Runway 25L and 7R
- There seem to be more flights on the North side
- During the reopening of the runway, there were periods when the 25L was closed and traffic was diverted to the North side.
- Does the FAA give notice when this happens?
- LAWA notifies the airlines when closures occur
- Cargo departures seem to favor Runway 25L
- Need to check with the TRACON regarding departure turns over El Segundo

On a related subject, Qantas Airlines has a history of eastern departures during Over Ocean Operations. It is now asking lease additional land to expand its cargo operations. LAWA is insisting on a commitment to compliance with Over Ocean Operations as a condition to any lease increases. Qantas is objecting. The Roundtable moved to direct a letter of support to the staff's position be sent to the Mayor of Los Angeles.

3. Review/Discussion of the Roundtable's Work Program – Walt Gillfillan

Mr. Gillfillan noted that the current Work Program was originally adopted in March 2001 and last revised in July 2004. A status report was prepared for the May 9th meeting. It indicates that a number of tasks have been completed and that there are several overlapping task noted in listing. It was suggested that the Roundtable may wish to update the Work Program and add current concerns to it.

During the discussion that followed, the members offered a number of ideas for an updated Work Program:

- The need for the Roundtable to reestablish its early proactive approach to identifying noise impacts and actively and effectively seeking mitigations.
- Continuing problem with early turns by departing aircraft over the City of El Segundo
- Follow up on letters previously sent to ATA, FAA and ACI.
- Need regular briefings from the FAA on the Airspace Redesign project.
- Follow the development of continuous descent arrival profile implementation, particularly as it offers mitigation to the City of Monterey Park
- Check the transition of the south runway project back to pre-construction patterns and the preferential runway program
- Support for the funding for the Airspace Redesign project
- A briefing from AirBus on the A380 noise characteristics
- Prioritize and schedule the work tasks and prepare a draft for June meeting of the Work Program Subcommittee on June 13.
- Follow the development of the revised master plan with respect to possible changes in aircraft noise impacts
- Check runway utilization using the new ANOM system
- Low frequency noise from departures in the City of Gardena from 11:30 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.
- The FAA/airlines dominate the CAEP process in the ICAO noise efforts.
- Establish a regular interface with the Roundtable counter parts at BOS, SFO, OAK and ORD so as to address issues like the CAEP research associated with the next CAEP findings in 2010

4. Roundtable Member Discussion

The Chair called for a special meeting of the Noise Subcommittee to finalize a draft Program as suggested by the members. The Subcommittee will be composed of all interested members and will meet in the Samuel Greenberg Boardroom, LAX on June 13, 2007.

5. Comments from the Public

None

6. Adjournment

The Noise Subcommittee will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening, June 13, 2007 in the Samuel Greenberg Boardroom, LAX to review the revised Work Program.

The next regular meeting of the Roundtable will be convened at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening, July 11, 2007 in the Samuel Greenberg Boardroom, LAX.