BACKGROUND

Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) is the City of Los Angeles department that owns and operates the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and Van Nuys Airport (VNY). Located in the heart of the San Fernando Valley, VNY is one of the nation’s leading general aviation airports. The Southern California airspace, including VNY, is among the most complicated and busiest in the nation, serving thousands of local, national and international travelers on a daily basis. LAWA works diligently to balance the requirements established by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for a safe and efficient air transport system with the needs of local neighborhoods. Over the past four decades, LAWA has adopted ordinances, policies, and developed voluntary programs, while also working with the FAA to implement these programs where necessary to reduce aircraft noise for area residents, and to provide meaningful response to community concerns. Please visit the VNY Noise Management webpage to view the Noise Abatement and Curfew Regulation and Noisier Aircraft Phase-out ordinance, and to learn more about other on-going noise abatement programs such as the VNY Fly Friendly Program, No Early Turn Program, and Helicopter Route and Altitude Deviation Program. To learn more about VNY flight activities in your neighborhood, visit the recently launched VNY NOISE PORTAL.

The purpose of this report is to provide information on noise comments received from individuals and communities.
**INDIVIDUALS VS NOISE COMMENTS**

Individuals are community members that have submitted at least one noise comment to LAW. One individual may submit multiple noise comments.

Noise comments are submitted by individuals expressing their concerns or seeking information on noise related events associated with VNY aircraft operations.

**NOISE COMMENT SUBMISSIONS**

The graph above shows individuals and total comments submitted this month and over the previous 12 months.

- **252** individuals submitted comments.
- **23,679** comments received.
- **7,443** (31%) comments received from 10 most active individuals.

-7% change in individuals from previous month.

28% change in comments from previous month.

Oct 2019: 374 individuals, 5,922 comments

Nov: 311 individuals, 2,943 comments
Dec: 320 individuals, 2,986 comments
Jan: 325 individuals, 3,119 comments
Feb: 311 individuals, 3,251 comments
Mar: 279 individuals, 2,793 comments
Apr: 216 individuals, 2,164 comments
May: 285 individuals, 2,855 comments
Jun: 292 individuals, 2,926 comments
Jul: 269 individuals, 2,697 comments
Aug: 283 individuals, 2,838 comments
Sep: 270 individuals, 2,709 comments
Oct 2020: 252 individuals, 5,000 comments
INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTING COMMENTS BY CITY

- Beverly Hills: 6
- Encino: 29
- Granada Hills: 9
- Lake Balboa: 4
- Los Angeles: 10
- Newhall: 3
- North Hills: 3
- North Hollywood: 3
- Northridge: 7
- Santa Clarita: 4
- Sherman Oaks: 118
- Studio City: 35
- Toluca Lake: 4
- Van Nuys: 10
- Cities with One (1) Individual: 7

*Cities where only one (1) individual submitted a noise comment are combined in this grouping.*
The map above shows the monthly individual locations. Some locations are outside of the map boundary.
**WHAT WAS THE NOISE COMMENT CONCERN?**

Individuals may select one (1) noise concern from a list of multiple aircraft noise concerns when submitting noise comments. Out of 252 individuals who submitted noise comments, 236 reported *aircraft flying over home* as the main concern.

Additional noise concerns were *late night or early morning* (18); *unusually loud aircraft* (17); and *frequency of flight* (16).

### COMMUNITY NOISE CONCERNS

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Individuals who submit more than one (1) comment during the month may be counted in more than one category.
WHAT IS CAUSING THE CHANGE IN NOISE COMMENTS?

The number of individuals submitting noise comments in October 2020 was slightly lower with respect to the previous month, and lower when compared to the past year. Night Time operations for October 2020 decreased with respect to October 2019, but flight training operations have increased significantly since last year and rose again slightly in October, possibly leading to this month's increase in total number of noise comments.

NOISE COMMENTS CAN BE SUBMITTED TO VNY NOISE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM OFFICE BY THE FOLLOWING:

NOISE COMMENT FORM
Filling out the VNY Noise Comment Form
https://viewpoint.emsbk.com/vny1

MOBILE APP
Filling out the VNY Noise Comment Form using the Viewpoint mobile app available for iPhone and Android devices, available at
https://viewpoint-app.emsbk.com/vny1

WEBTRAK
Accessing the VNY WebTrak, a live flight tracking website, that allows users to view and identify aircraft operations and perform self-investigation. The online comment form can be accessed by clicking on the “Comments” tab located on the top left hand corner, then the “Comment Form” button.
http://webtrak.emsbk.com/vny4

TELEPHONE
Call our dedicated 24-hour VNY Aircraft Noise Comment Line at (800) 560-0010. Please follow the instructions to leave a detailed message.