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Dear Mr. Lammerding and Ms. Margheritis,

I am writing to update you on the FAA's progress in responding to the recommendations we received on June 1, 2020 from the Southern San Fernando Valley Airplane Noise Task Force (Task Force). As you requested that the FAA direct communication on the agency's response to you, I am also providing copies of this update to the Task Force's Chair and Vice-Chair.

The FAA recognizes the significant efforts of the Task Force in developing in-depth recommendations to address aircraft noise concerns of residents in the southern San Fernando Valley. The FAA attended all seven of the community meetings that the Task Force held during an eight-month period, presenting technical information as requested and providing detailed responses to the Task Force's questions.

As I mentioned in my June 11th letter, the review and prioritization of the Task Force's recommendations is a time-consuming process due to the large number of recommendations and the complexity of the Southern California airspace. Since we received the recommendations, we have been working diligently to analyze and research each of the 10 primary recommendations directed to the FAA, as well as the 40-plus associated recommendations. However, the FAA team tasked with making feasibility determinations is, at the same time, responsible for safely managing airspace throughout multiple Western states as well as over the Pacific Ocean. Therefore, as I indicated in my previous letter, we will be unable to complete the feasibility determinations for all of the recommendations, which the Task Force deemed equally high priority, within the requested 60 days.

We are giving each of the recommendations thorough consideration, and our goal is to provide you with comprehensive and clear responses to all of the recommendations by Aug. 31, 2020.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact my office at (424) 405-7000.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Raquel Girvin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small flourish at the end.

Raquel Girvin
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Cc: Honorable Emily Gabel-Luddy, Chair Southern San Fernando Valley Airplane
Noise Task Force
Honorable Paul Krekorian, Vice Chair, San Fernando Valley Airplane Noise Task Force