



LAX/COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE

Recap of the Regular Meeting of May 9, 2018

Roundtable Members Present

Denny Schneider, Westchester Neighbors Association
Carl Jacobson, City of El Segundo
Blake LaMar, City of Palos Verdes Estates
Robert Nemeth, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Albizael Del Valle, City of Los Angeles – Council District 8
Jeff Camp, City of Los Angeles – Council District 10
Geoff Thompson, City of Los Angeles – Council District 11
Danna Cope, LAX Area Advisory Committee
JoAnn Williams, United Homeowners Association
Michael Salman, United Neighborhoods Neighborhood Council
Martin Rubin, North Westdale Neighborhood Association
Jim B. Clarke, City of Culver City
Ron Bow, City of Monterey Park
Olivia Valentine, City of Hawthorne
Jim Withrow, City of Inglewood
Bob Brager, City of Malibu
Jacqueline Hamilton, U.S. House of Representatives – 37th District
Laurie Smith, Bluff Park Neighborhood Association
Kendrick Okuda, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA)

LAWA and Consultant Staff

Kathryn Pantoja, LAWA
David Chan, LAWA
Steve Alverson, ESA
Camille Castillo, ESA

A quorum of the members was present.

1. Welcome/Review of the Meeting Format

Roundtable Facilitator Steve Alverson welcomed the members and public and indicated his role was to ensure all participants stay on topic so that the meeting stays on schedule.

2. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Identification of Those Present

Chairman Schneider called the meeting to order. Roundtable Members introduced themselves and proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Comments from the Public

Chairman Schneider called for public comments and explained the two-minute time limit for each public comment.

A resident of Palos Verdes who presented at the previous Roundtable meeting expressed gratitude for the Roundtable's efforts to send a letter to the FAA regarding Palos Verdes overflights. He indicated that since the last meeting his group has been working with the FAA directly to reduce PV overflights.

Three residents of Culver City expressed concerns about noise from aircraft overflights and noted that an online petition regarding aircraft noise is being circulated. One resident noted that she has observed aircraft traveling at over 300 knots rather than at the 210 knot limit at DAHJR and requested that the Roundtable begin focusing on the speed of the aircraft.

4. Report from LAX Metroplex/Wide Area Ad Hoc Committee

The Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee, Member Thompson, briefed the Roundtable on the activities of the Ad Hoc Committee since the March 2018 Roundtable meeting. He noted the FAA met with the Ad Hoc Committee and committed to analyzing nighttime flights below 5,000 feet MSL at DAHJR between 1 AM and 5 AM. The FAA's analysis indicated that 16 flights passed below 5,000 feet within 1 mile of the DAHJR waypoint and 14 of those 16 flights were standard North Downwind arrivals. He added that the FAA also committed to checking on aircraft equipage for the RNP approach. FAA indicated that if the equipage increases, then the FAA would develop a plan to increase RNP usage to ensure that more aircraft fly at the minimum altitude at DAHJR between 1 and 5 AM. He noted that once mitigation for the 1 to 5 AM timeframe is implemented, the Ad Hoc Committee would address the 10 PM to 1 AM timeframe and later the 5 to 7 AM timeframe.

Member Salman reported on the research that was presented to the FAA including a review of the FAA's Final Environmental Assessment and informational videos that indicated that all flights would be restricted to 6,000 feet at DAHJR. Member Salman indicated that in response to this research, the FAA has begun investigating possible mitigations.

Member Thompson noted that a formal letter to the FAA regarding Palos Verdes Peninsula overflights would be sent out shortly. Member Smith requested that the letter be distributed to the Roundtable members.

5. Appointment of Nomination Chair to Preside over Roundtable Officers Election in July 2018

LAWA staff member David Chan noted that the Chairman and Vice Chair will reach the end of their two-year terms in July. He indicated a Roundtable member is needed to serve as the Nomination Chair and manage the nomination process at the July meeting. Member Salman volunteered to serve as the Nomination Chair at the July 11th meeting.

A motion by Chairman Schneider to appoint Member Salman as the Nomination Chair for the Roundtable Officers' election during the July 11, 2018 Regular Roundtable meeting was approved by acclamation.

Chairman Schneider mentioned that the Roundtable should consider revising the By-Laws at a future meeting to allow a second Vice Chair to be a part of the Roundtable leadership.

6. General discussion of Roundtable Administrative Support by Member Cities

Chairman Schneider discussed ways in which the member cities could provide support to the Roundtable such as hiring a technical consultant, creating a website, and hosting a Roundtable meeting. Members from the cities of Malibu, Culver City, and Monterey Park offered to host a future meeting in their respective locations. Member Okuda commented that LAWA is open to discussing with the members to ensure that LAWA can assist in facilitating the future meeting locations however possible.

7. Discussion of future Roundtable Meeting Location and Meeting Times

Chairman Schneider initiated discussion of the possibility of a location change for future Roundtable meetings and called for a willingness of other members to host. He noted the previous offers from the Cities of Malibu, Culver City, and Monterey Park to host a future meeting. Chairman Schneider also proposed to start the Roundtable meetings at 6:30 p.m.

Member Valentine's motion to change the Roundtable Meeting start time from 7:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. was seconded by Member Rubin and approved by the Roundtable with Member Nemeth abstaining. Member Thompson suggested that LAWA update the Roundtable website with the new meeting start time.

8. Briefing on the UC Davis Noise Symposium

Member Rubin attended the UC Davis Aviation Noise & Emissions Symposium in February 2018. He expressed gratitude to the Roundtable for being able to represent the Roundtable. He provided a brief overview of the lectures and workshops available each day of the symposium. He requested that the Roundtable consider adding air emissions impacts from LAX operations into the Roundtable Work Program.

9. Briefing on FAA Reauthorization Bill

Steve Alverson indicated that the House passed a multi-year FAA Reauthorization Act and stated that this reauthorization is unique because House members attempted to add 44 noise-related amendments to the Bill. The Rules Committee allowed 13 of these 44 amendments to move forward, and 10 of the amendments were ultimately passed with the Bill. Mr. Alverson noted that the Members had received copies of the Airport Noise Report news publication, which highlights the accepted amendments. Mr. Alverson explained that though it is positive that this Bill passed in the House, a similar bill has to pass in the Senate as well, which may not happen until after the midterm elections.

Member Hamilton reported that the Senate is writing its own bill and not taking up the House bill and is likely to introduce a bill on the floor within the month. She also reported that the Senate wants to include the following in the new bill: the issues of aircraft flight track dispersion, noise reporting, and treating nighttime noise differently from daytime noise. She

also noted that this is an opportunity for the Roundtable to submit suggestions for aircraft noise provisions to be included in the Senate version of the FAA reauthorization bill.

Member Smith commented that the FAA mission statement does not mention noise and should include a focus on noise-related human health impacts. Member Hamilton agreed that the FAA should raise the priority of reducing human impacts from noise.

10. Roundtable Member Discussion

Chairman Schneider opened the floor for general Roundtable member discussion.

Member Clarke provided an update about the City of Culver City vs. FAA lawsuit.

Member Salman mentioned that the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) at Southern California Terminal Radar Approach Control (SoCal TRACON) are not published online and proposed that the Ad Hoc Committee request a copy of the SOP.

Member Okuda noted that in order to maximize LAWA's resources, LAWA has suspended sending letters to the airlines for east departures.

Member Williams expressed concern that more of her neighbors are becoming stressed about aircraft-related noise. She asked the Roundtable if there is any information or summary of the Metroplex that she can share with her concerned neighbors. Member Thompson directed her to a link on the LAWA website under Noise Management.

Member Valentine inquired whether the results of 360 at South Bay Community noise study would be presented at the July Roundtable meeting. David Chan stated that the presentation would most likely be available in September 2018.

David Chan stated that the South Inboard Runway 25R is scheduled to reopen on May 24, 2018.

Member Smith asked if there is a more user-friendly interface or information available to the public regarding over-ocean flight path notifications. Member Hamilton suggested that LAWA include a longer timeframe of events so that the public would know what to expect this week as well as the coming months.

11. Review of Roundtable Action Items

Mr. Alverson reviewed the formal actions taken, which are noted earlier in this meeting recap.

12. Adjournment

Chairman Schneider adjourned the meeting at 9:07 pm PDT.

13 Location and Time for Next Meeting

The next regular Roundtable meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 6:30 pm PDT. The meeting location is to be determined.