



LAX/COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE

Recap of the Regular Meeting of March 20, 2024

The Roundtable meeting was conducted virtually via video conference using the Microsoft Teams platform.

Roundtable Members Present

Richard Montgomery, 2nd Vice Chair, City of Manhattan Beach
Göran Eriksson, City of Culver City
Mike Detoy, City of Hermosa Beach
Mayra Guevara, City of Los Angeles – CD 10
Trey Grogan, City of Los Angeles – CD 11
Henry Lo, City of Monterey Park
Robert Nemeth, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Blake Lamar, City of Palos Verdes Estates
Jim Clarke, Raintree Condo and Townhouse Association
Keith Eich, San Gabriel Valley COG
Jeff Camp, United Neighborhoods Neighborhood Council
Brad Vanderhoof, West Hills Neighborhood Council
Timi Romolini, Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council
Jacob Haik, Los Angeles World Airports

Airlines Present

Lynae Craig, Alaska Airlines
Alison Kehrner, Glenn Morse – United Airlines
Carl Stallone – Spirit Airlines

FAA Present

Faviola Garcia, Deputy Regional Administrator
Larri Frelow, FAA Community Engagement Officer
Joseph Bert, OSG Aviation Technical Supervisor

LAWA and Consultant Staff Present

David Chan, Secretary, LAWA
James Hensley, Virtual Meeting Host, LAWA
Dan Yeung & Karen Chebatoris, LAWA
Gene Reindel, Facilitator, HMMH
Mariano Sarrate, Scribe, HMMH

Guest Speakers

Guatam Shah, Matthew Kamlet – NASA

A quorum of the members was present.

1. Welcome/Review of the Meeting Format

Welcoming of the Roundtable membership and the public occurred at 1:35 p.m. The meeting was conducted virtually with the 2nd Vice Chair running the meeting with assistance from the Facilitator. General public comment was invited as scheduled on Agenda Item 3. Details of the new Microsoft Teams virtual meeting format were discussed.

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

The meeting was officially called to order at 1:37 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Chair welcomed the attendees. A quorum was announced during agenda item 4.

3. Comments from the Public

Dianna Lawrence, a resident of Los Angeles, stated she has been attending the LAX Roundtable for years and asked the FAA about their intentions on changing flight procedures.

Darby Whipple, a representative for the mayor's office, commented he is happy to be part of the meeting.

4. Presentation on NASA Quesst Mission and Community Response to Sonic Thump

Guatam Shah, NASA, gave a presentation of the NASA Quesst mission. The mission is based out of Langley Research Center and is focused on developing technologies for supersonic commercial aviation. The main goal of the mission is to mitigate the sonic boom that is created by supersonic aircraft. The presentation included history of supersonic aircraft, regulations on supersonic aircraft travel, the physics of a sonic boom, timelines of the project, details of the experimental aircraft (X-59) design, and details of the public annoyance test flights that will occur in various communities across the nation.

Membership discussion ensued regarding the design of the aircraft and community annoyance levels.

5. Briefing on UC Davis Aviation Noise and Emissions Symposium

Robert Nemeth, Roundtable member, briefed the Roundtable on the UC Davis Aviation Noise and Emissions Symposium. Robert stated there was an abundance of technical sessions to attend, with a wide variety of perspectives including public and private sectors. Robert shared some of his favorite and most informative presentations and spoke highly of the social networking opportunities.

6. Update on LADYJ Departure Modification Proposal

Joseph Bert, FAA OSG Aviation Technical Supervisor, presented the results of the analysis to determine feasibility of the LADYJ modification proposal. Joseph detailed the process for determining feasibility. He displayed flight tracks for the current LADYJ procedure and the historic CASTA procedure. He noted that reverting the LADYJ route to the CASTA route was deemed operationally infeasible, since it will cause spacing concerns with BUR and VNY departures. Increasing the altitude near the coast for the LADYJ departures was also deemed not feasible due to confliction with arrival routes located over the LADYJ route.

Roundtable member discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of the proposed LADYJ modification. The Facilitator recommended the Roundtable to refer the LADYJ procedure modification to the Technical Working Group. The Facilitator also recommended to make a request of The Chair and Vice Chair to admit Timi Romolini to the Technical Working Group.

Timi motioned to move the proposed LADYJ modification item to the Technical Working Group and Jeff Camp seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Report from the Technical Working Group

The Facilitator shared the progress of the Technical Working Group in lieu of Jeff Moskin's absence. To date the focus of the TWG has been addressing the community concerns with the north downwind arrivals into LAX.

8. Roundtable Member Discussion

No Roundtable member discussion occurred.

9. Review of Roundtable Formal Action Items

The Facilitator reviewed the single action item with the Roundtable.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15th at 1:30 pm and will be held virtually.