

MEETING SUMMARY

Airport Noise Advisory Committee Subcommittee

Date | time 1/18/2017 4:00 PM

Meeting called to order by: Deborah Watkins

In Attendance

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>In Attendance</u>
Deborah Watkins	Chair – Mission Beach	Yes
Bruce Bailey	Wooded Area	Yes
Robert Bates	Loma Portal	Yes
Nancy Caine	Fletridge / Roseview Heights	Yes
Alan Harris	North Pacific Beach	Yes
Terri Johnson	Wooded Area	Yes
H.P. "Sandy" Purdon	La Playa	Yes
Lila Schmidt	Fletridge / Roseview Heights	Yes
R. Casey Schnoor	Ocean Beach	Yes
George Szabo	Wooded Area	Yes
Richard Thorn	Loma Portal	Yes
Gernot Trolf	Mission Beach	Yes
Sandra Valone	Point Loma Heights	No
Joel Young	Liberty Station	Yes
Edward Zell	La Playa / Wooded Area	Yes
Heidi Gantwerk	Facilitator	

1. Welcome and Introductions

Deborah Watkins, Chair for the Airport Noise Advisory Subcommittee, opened the meeting at 4:01 p.m. ANAC Subcommittee members introduced themselves. Ms. Gantwerk explained that when possible, the presentations will be posted to the www.san.org website a week prior to the Subcommittee meeting.

2. Agenda Discussion

Ms. Watkins explained that upon review, Mr. Davis's presentation did not address all of the issues requested by the subcommittee, and that another presentation would be appropriate. After discussion, it was decided that Mr. Davis could return on March 15, 2017 to present on historical arrival and departure procedures. There also was discussion on members' 12-month terms, and if the committee wanted to meet beyond September 20, 2017. The

last meeting on the agenda was left open so the Subcommittee members could offer written recommendations to the ANAC Committee. Ms. Watkins also asked if there were any changes to last meeting's summary to please email staff.

Ms. Heidi Gantwerk addressed the audience stating that there was no public comment at this meeting, but the public is welcome to observe the Subcommittee meeting and to attend the next ANAC meeting, where public comment is heard.

3. Presentation Items

Presentations can be found at this location on our website:

<http://www.san.org/Airport-Noise/Initiatives#405494-meeting-schedule>

Ms. Watkins introduced FAA representatives, Barry Davis and Rob Cook, who presented on the Initial Analysis of the Cause of Noise Concerns due to the Overflights in the San Diego area.

Mr. Davis explained that the presentation included runway usage and weather at San Diego International Airport (SAN) with analysis on eleven (11) neighborhoods including, La Jolla Cove, La Jolla Shores, Mt. Soledad, Bird Rock, La Jolla Mesa, Pacific Beach, Bay Park, Mission Beach, Ocean Beach, Loma Heights, Liberty Station, Sunset Cliffs, Wooded Area, Fletridge, La Playa, Coronado Cays, El Cerrito and Mt Helix.

Each slide included a map which indicated the area of initial noise complaint and a one NM (Nautical Mile) of area surrounding the complaint. The presentation analyzed the months of October, November, and December for both 2015 and 2016. Mr. Davis explained that October 2015 was the first month that they began to see a higher number of complaints in Point Loma, he noted also, the FAA started their Metroplex public meetings.

The overflights in the report were split into operational groups and analyzed by average altitudes, monthly overflight counts, and average distance from the central point. He stated that this last parameter provided a measurement if the flight path had shifted.

Mr. Davis clarified that in the report, MSL (Mean Sea Level) is defined at ocean level, where the land meets the ocean, and AGL (Above Ground Level), could represent the top of a mountain, or any altitude above the ground.

Mr. Davis said there is a predominant source of overflights with general aviation aircraft that include helicopters which are not often in communication with Air Traffic Control (ATC.) He also stated that in December 2016, there was a higher usage of Runway 9 due to inclement weather, which also changes how aircraft are heard. He was interested to see why the La Jolla community was submitting noise complaints.

Mr. Davis reported that the research demonstrated that helicopters and other general aviation aircraft account between 15% (Mission Beach) to 88% (La Jolla) of the overflights. Helicopters fly lower, between 1,000 to 2,000 feet and are normally associated with Montgomery Field. He also said that during December's inclement weather, planes may have flown at a lower altitude.

Question from Subcommittee: Ms. Caine inquired who has control over the helicopters, if they are 500 feet lower.

Mr. Davis said that they are not required to contact the ATC, as they have ability to operate through the National Air Space System.

Question from Subcommittee: Dr. Schmidt inquired if it is possible to get more data on the flight tracks, for events over a year or more ago?

Mr. Davis affirmed this would be possible.

Question from Subcommittee: Mr. Schnoor inquired why the report reflected only the first complaint and not the most recent. He believed this approach was misleading.

Mr. Davis said that the first complaints in those neighborhoods served as a starting point, and then expanded out a mile from that point. Mr. Davis stated if they began the three-month report with later noise complaints, the flight tracks would be the same, as they would have pulled the flight track data from the same dates.

Mr. Davis noted that this report was significant, as it allowed them to identify where they need to make some modifications, especially if they are hearing new noise complaints. He said that the FAA heard the Pt. Loma community's concerns, and implemented ZZOOO. The FAA is hopeful that new Metroplex procedures implement on March 2, 2017, will provide some relief to the Mission Beach and La Jolla communities.

Ms. Watkins said that the FAA is hosting a community outreach meeting on February 2nd at the Solana Vista Elementary School, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Ms. Knack said that SoCal Metroplex website also lists the dates.

Question from Subcommittee: Mr. Szabo inquired if Federal Express planes were included in the flight tracks.

Mr. Davis said he did not know and would research this answer.

Question from Subcommittee: Dr. Schmidt asked if it was possible to analyze from ground level and not sea level?

Mr. David said they could look into that in the next report.

Question from Subcommittee: Mr. Harris inquired if 290 was the standard heading after 10:00 p.m.?

Mr. Davis stated that he was not aware of this. He would have to ask the Tower why this was initiated.

Question from Subcommittee: Mr. Schnoor asked if they could get a copy of this agreement for procedures from 10:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. He also asked if there could be representation for Fort Rosecrans, as currently, it is unrepresented.

Question from Subcommittee: Mr. Schnoor cited a report that was presented to the mayor, which summarized that the flights migrated to the north over the years. He said that this is indicative of the public's perception and would like a report that validates this, or a report that contains enough data that it disproves it to the public.

Mr. Davis said he would email the report from November 16, 2015, which highlighted one week of data.

He asked the committee for parameters for the new report due in March. The committee decided that it would be insightful to include a month which included egregious flights. They asked Mr. Davis to compare the month of December for the years 2009, 2014 and 2016. They decided 2009 would be the baseline and that the report would focus on locations from the tip of the Point Loma Peninsula to north of La Jolla Shores.

Mr. Davis said he would get a sample to Ms. Knack and confirm the parameters, in order to meet the committee's expectations for the March report.

4. New Business

There was no new business.

5. Adjourn and Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at the Airport Noise Mitigation Office, 2722 Truxtun Road in Liberty Station.

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