

**AIRPORT / COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE
REGULAR MEETING OVERVIEW**

Meeting No. 235
Wednesday, October 6 2004

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Marland Townsend, City of Foster City representative and Roundtable Chairperson, called the Regular Meeting of the Airport/Community Roundtable to order, at approximately 7:05 p.m. in the Assembly Room, at the Millbrae Community Center in Millbrae, California. Dave Carbone, Roundtable Coordinator, called the roll. A quorum (at least 12 Regular Members) was present, as follows:

Regular Members Present

Jack Barry, City and County of San Francisco Mayor's Office Representative

Mike McCarron, Alternate Airport Commission, SFO Director, Bureau of Community Affairs

Mark Church, County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors Representative and Roundtable Vice-Chairperson

Richard Newman, Chairperson C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC)

Carolyn Feierbach, City of Belmont

Clara Johnson, City of Brisbane

Terry Nagel, City of Burlingame

Marland Townsend, City of Foster City and Roundtable Chairperson

Catherine Mullooly, Town of Hillsborough

Linda Larson, City of Millbrae

Steve Toben, Town of Portola Valley

Ian Bain, City of Redwood City

Christo Pallas, City of San Bruno

John Lee, City of San Mateo

Regular Members Absent

City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors – Vacant

Town of Atherton

City of Daly City

City of Half Moon Bay

City of Menlo Park

City of Pacifica

City of San Carlos

City of South San Francisco

Town of Woodside

Advisory Members Present

Greg Kingery, SFO Air Traffic Control Tower

Captain David Ray, Flight Operations, United Airlines

Roundtable Staff/Consultants

David F. Carbone, Senior Planner, County of San Mateo/Roundtable Coordinator

Heather R. Hoshii, Roundtable Assistant Coordinator

Walter Gillfillan, Roundtable Project Manager/Consultant

San Francisco International Airport Staff

Bert Ganoung, Noise Abatement Manager

David Ong, Sr. Noise Abatement Specialist

Dave Flint, Noise Abatement Specialist

Others Present

See Attached Attendance List

2. Public Comment of Items not on the Agenda

NONE

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Consent Agenda Items

- a. Review of Airport Director's for August 2004
- b. Approval of Roundtable Meeting Overview for September 1, 2004
- c. Review of Correspondence/Information Items for September 2004

Items 3a and 3b were removed from the Consent Agenda.

ACTION: Clara Johnson **MOVED** to approve Consent Agenda Item 3c. The motion was **SECONDED** by Linda Larson and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**.

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- A request was made to send SkyWest a thank you or accommodation letter for their impressive, consistent performance
- SkyWest flies very quiet aircraft and therefore they should perform well with very few exceedances
- SkyWest was recognized recently when they received the Jon C. Long "Quietest Flyer" award for 2003
- Why was the number of exceedances in August 2004 20% higher than the year before
- The increase in exceedances for August 2004 is not an anomaly, but a trend that SFO usually sees this time of year and the increase over last year is due to the increase in traffic SFO is experiencing
- A new exceedance criteria was introduced beginning CY 2002
- In regards to the runway utilization between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. is it possible to charge a greater fee for aircraft departing during this timeframe
- Under the Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 it is against the law to charge a penalty or larger fee for aircraft departing at certain times

ACTION: After discussion / comments Item 3a was approved

A correction to the September 1, 2004 Meeting Overview was made. Ian Bain, Redwood City Representative indicated he was not present at the September 1, 2004 meeting as the Meeting Overview indicated. The September 1, 2004 Meeting Overview will be changed to reflect that Redwood City Alternate, Barbara Pierce was in attendance.

ACTION: After discussion / comments Item 3b was approved

REGULAR AGENDA

4. Monthly Airport Director's Report

- a. Comments from John Martin, Airport Director

Due to John Martin's absence, Mike McCarron presented the Monthly Airport Director's Report

- *Airport Revenue News* named John Martin Airport Director of the Year for 2004
- Aircraft Noise Monitoring System Upgrade and Replacement - Landlines are being replaced by DSL, a new server had been installed in the Noise Abatement Office and software is in the process of being setup
- Cathay Pacific would like to address the Roundtable at the December 2004 Roundtable Meeting, re: Its Fly Quiet performance
- SOIA/PRM is scheduled to go on line October 26, 2004

- Iceland Air announced it will start seasonal service next spring
- Westjet, a low cost carrier from Canada, will start service this week
- Fleet Week – Canadian Snowbirds arrive next week
- Sjohnna Knack, a new hire in the Noise Abatement Office, will start November 8, 2004

b. Introduction of new SFO Noise Abatement Specialist, Dave Flint

- Started September 13, 2004
- Previously an air traffic controller at Bay TRACON
- Currently teaches a Human Factors class at San Jose State University

5. Discussion of Including the Review of the Monthly Airport Director's Report as Part of the Regular Agenda

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- A recommendation was made by the Roundtable Operations and Efficiency sub-committee to move the Monthly Airport Director's Report to the Consent Agenda
- The subcommittee recommendation was previously accepted by the full Roundtable
- The rationale for the recommendation was explained by a member of the Roundtable
- The Roundtable will keep the Airport Director's Report on the Consent Agenda for a year
- Objection was made and a vote was requested
- It was noted that the Airport Director's Report is available before the meeting and it should be reviewed prior to the meeting not at the meeting
- If there are questions then they should be brought up by pulling the item from the consent agenda
- It isn't efficient to present data that should be reviewed prior to the meeting
- Members of the public are allowed to ask questions on items on the Consent Agenda, including the Airport Director's Report

ACTION: Clara Johnson **MOVED** to have the Airport Director's Report removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the monthly meeting Regular Agenda. The motion was **SECONDED** by Jack Barry and **FAILED**, 13/1.

6. Noise 101 Part I of III

(Copies of all presentation materials are available upon request through the Roundtable Administrative Office and copies will be available for download on the Roundtable website at www.sforoundtable.com upon conclusion of the three part series.)

a. "Noise 101" Part I

- Noise office staff introductions
- Noise office function
- Noise office equipment history
- Noise system equipment replacement
- NEM – Noise Exposure Map
- INM – Integrated Noise Model
- Sound Insulation Program
- SOIA/PRM - Simultaneous Offset Instrument Approach / Precision Runway Monitor

Comments / Concerns / Questions:

- Are repeat callers contacted after leaving a complaint on the complaint line
- Most callers do not wish to be contacted, but callers are prompted to request a return call if they would like to speak to a member of the office staff about their complaint

- If new homes are built within the noise contour are they eligible to receive insulation or money from the Airport
- New homes must be build to set State standards (Title 24) and they do not qualify for insulation
- Typo noted within the NEM frequently asked question handout – CNEL is not Community Noise *Exposure* Level CNEL is Community Noise Equivalent Level
- Have noise studies been complied since SFO has experienced a drop in operations
- New contours are required to be prepared every five years
- A member of the public indicated that the cities should not have been in charge of the insulation program
- Noise reduction at night is going to be very significant with SOIA/PRM
- What cities, besides Foster City, will benefit from SOIA/PRM
- SOIA/PRM will reduce delays and as a result, flights won't get pushed to later in the night and this will benefit everyone

b. Preview of "Noise 101" Part II

- SFO Operations – Guest Speaker
- Low Frequency Noise
- Title 21

7. FAA Order 1050.1E (Environmental Impacts: Policies & Procedures) Summary

Presentation: Walt Gillfillan, Roundtable Consultant

(See corresponding memo for more information - October 6, 2004 Meeting Packet Pg 38-40)

Comments / Concerns / Questions

- In regards to "documented categorical exclusions" does the FAA Order offer any guidance on definitions and what constitutes a smaller or a highly controversial project
- The items included are generic and no further definitions are provided
- Environmental assessment by the FAA will not be required for changes above 3000 feet AGL
- How is the noise contour affected by aircraft over 3000 feet
- The Roundtable did comment on the draft document regarding changes above 3000 feet AGL in their January 2000 letter
- Roundtable members requested Walt Gillfillan to prepare a draft letter, for their review, commenting on Order 5050.4A, to be submitted to the FAA by the November 23, 2004 deadline. The draft letter will be reviewed at the November 2004 Roundtable Meeting

8. Member Communications/Announcements

Comments / Concerns / Questions

- In regards to the ongoing study MIT is spearheading, it has been found that the United States is most concerned about noise and environmental issues, while Europe is most concerned about climatic impacts of aircraft and airports
- A request was made to place the subject of noise impacts of aircraft above 3000 feet AGL on the agenda for a future meeting

9. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.