



CENTENNIAL AIRPORT COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE
MINUTES

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VISION – QUIETER SKIES FOR OUR COMMUNITIES

MISSION – UTILIZING PARTNERSHIPS TO REDUCE AIRPORT NOISE FOR THE BENEFIT OF NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES

Chair: Brad Pierce **Vice Chair:** Melissa Coudeyras **Treasurer:** Andy Jones **Secretary:** Alison Biggs

1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, and QUORUM:** The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chair Brad Pierce. The following were in attendance and a quorum was present:

Arapahoe County:	Carrie Warren-Gully	Greenwood Village	Donna Johnston
Arapahoe County:	Paul Krier	Highlands Ranch Metro:	Andy Jones
Douglas County:	Dan Avery	Lone Tree:	Chuck Darnell
Douglas County:	Alison Biggs	ACPAA:	Mike Fronapfel
Aurora:	Brad Pierce	AOPA:	Bob Doubek
Castle Pines:	Chris Eubanks	CABA:	Don Kuskie
Castle Rock:	Sandy Vossler	Wings Over the Rockies:	Bill Wasmund
Centennial:	Candace Moon		

Others in attendance were Aurora Alternate Representative Karen Hancock; AOPA Alternate Representative John Hirshman; and ACPAA staff Samantha Blymyer, and Lauren Wiarda.

Those absent were:

Cherry Hills Village:	Al Blum/Afshin Safavi	FAA APA Control Tower:	Jeff Holmes/Ron Curry
Foxfield:	Pam Thompson/Frank Lawrence	FAA District Office:	John Bauer/John Sweeney
Parker:	Amy Holland/Todd Hendreks	FAA TRACON:	Steve Martin/Bill Dunn
CDOT Aeronautics Div:	Todd Green/Vacant		

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

A. **VIRTUAL/IN-PERSON MEETING ATTENDEES** – Randy Johnson of Louviers indicated that it seemed the Aspen Flying Club (AFC) had been the worst offender over his neighborhood. He had spoken with the rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport Community Noise Roundtable, which also had received similar concerns. He was trying to contact Kristin Chipman from AFC.

Kimberly Hellweg from the Elizabeth area southeast of Ponderosa Park and east of Castlewood Canyon, indicated she appreciated hearing from the flight school at the last meeting, and hoped other schools would attend in the future. In her area, concentrated flights by aircraft from Flights, Inc. seemed to be more prevalent than AFC. Flights sometimes were coming over one after another, nonstop, for at least an hour at a time. She would like to have flights more spread out, and more coordination among the schools.

Mike Fronapfel indicated he would ask Flights, Inc. to come to the next CACNR meeting; this was appreciated by CACNR.

Andrea Suhaka from Walnut Hills noted the flight schools had seemed to practice extensively in the Ridge Road/Prince Street area, but that no longer seemed to be the case. She wanted to extend a thanks, as it made her walks much more pleasant.

Donna Johnston indicated she had heard from Jim Slaggert, Orchard Hills in Greenwood Village, who had indicated noise was still significant in his area.

B. **FROM CACNR EMAIL ADDRESS** – None.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA: A. & B. – DRAFT MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT** - The Consent Agenda included the February 2, 2022 draft CACNR minutes; and a Treasurer's Report from the end of February which showed a balance of \$27,015.75. The Consent Agenda also included the January 2022 Noise Report. On the motion of Donna Johnston, duly seconded, the Consent Agenda was approved.

C. **NOISE REPORT** – The January 2022 Noise Report included the following information:

Total Local Operations: 9,268 December 2021 10,009 November 2021 10,954
Total Operations: 22,048

Noise Events: January – 23,191

<u>January Totals:</u>	<u>January 60 – 69 db:</u>	<u>January 70 – 79 db:</u>	<u>January 80 – 89 db:</u>
7,120 Golf Course	4,642 Golf Course	2,274 Golf Course	449 Airport East
5,635 Meridian	4,492 Meridian	1,105 Meridian	191 Golf Course
2,522 State Park	1,876 State Park	765 Airport East	37 Meridian
2,418 Airport East	1,509 Parker	628 State Park	18 State Park
1,709 Parker	1,154 Airport East	195 Parker	5 Parker
1,104 Grandview Estates	975 Grandview Estates	125 Grandview Estates	4 Hunters Hill
765 Castle Rock	730 Castle Rock	91 Greenwood Village	3 Grandview Estates
746 Greenwood Village	652 Greenwood Village	35 Lone Tree	3 Greenwood Village
575 Lone Tree	540 Lone Tree	34 Castle Rock	1 Castle Rock
345 Hunters Hill	317 Hunters Hill	24 Hunters Hill	- Castle Pines
137 Sagebrush Park	130 Sagebrush Park	9 Castle Pines	- Lone Tree
115 Castle Pines	106 Castle Pines	7 Sagebrush Park	- Sagebrush Park

January noise events in the 90+ decibel range were:

Airport East – 50 Golf Course – 13 Grandview Estates – 1 Meridian – 1

January Noise Complaints(323) and Numbers of Households (22)

January Complaints:

120 Greenwood Village (37%)
 61 Centennial (19%)
 46 Unincorporated Arapahoe County (14%)
 36 Other (11%)
 31 Castle Rock (10%)
 15 Aurora (7%)
 10 Unincorporated Douglas County (3%)
 2 Lone Tree (0.6%)
 1 Highlands Ranch (0.3%)
 1 Parker (0.3%)

January Households:

6 Unincorporated Arapahoe County
 3 Greenwood Village
 3 Other
 2 Castle Rock
 2 Centennial
 2 Unincorporated Douglas County
 1 Aurora
 1 Highlands Ranch
 1 Lone Tree
 1 Parker

Year to date, the **top five complaining households** were in:

Greenwood Village – 112 (35%) Unincorporate Arapahoe County – 32 (10%)
 Centennial – 51 (16%) Castle Rock – 30 (9%)
 Other – (34 (11%)

In January, 30 responses were requested from 323 noise complaints, with 23 of those requests made by email (77%), and 7 made by telephone (23%).

Of the 323 complaints in January 2022, 312 were about flights during day hours (97%); 11 were about night flights (3%).

In January, props accounted for 83% of the complaints by aircraft type in December, while jets accounted for 15% of the complaints, and 2% were about helicopters.

In January, departures were responsible for 40% of the complaints. Arrivals were responsible for 35% of the complaints, and Training was responsible for 25% of the complaints.

The Year to Date complaint maps were not provided with this report, and a Radar Track Density Map was also not available.

4. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:** None

5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. **EXECUTIVE /WORK PLAN COMMITTEES** –

1. Flight Schools Meeting Follow-Up. The plan is to have the summary report and follow-up plan of action from the meeting with the flight schools available at the April CACNR meeting. Having Flights, Inc. attend that meeting would also be part of the follow-up and the earlier discussion here.

2. Only one Member had yet to submit funding for 2022.

B. **COMMUNITY OUTREACH** – Chuck Darnell reported for Mike Anderson and indicated the committee had not met. There would be further discussion of what type of technical assistance would be useful in relation to the website, the use of social media for keeping the community informed and the Committee’s other priorities in the Work Program.

C. **FLY QUIET** – Bill Wasmund had submitted a written report, included in the meeting materials packet. He commented on air traffic control at Centennial denying touch and go practice when its pattern is full, resulting in the need for flight students to go elsewhere. The extra flight time has made such practice expensive for some students. Some exploration of helping students with this extra cost had been done, and it was determined that was not in the scope of either CACNR or this Committee. Question was asked if tenants at the airport get any preferential treatment from the airport. Response was no, activity is handled on a first come, first serve basis. Question was asked if flight schools from other airports ever come here. Response

was hardly ever. Further discussion indicated the number of planes in the pattern are largely determined by the comfort of the air traffic controllers and conditions such as weather, with perhaps a graphic related to this topic to be provided to CACNR in the future. Although touch and go practice is again allowed at Centennial, it is not unusual to have pattern work turned down by the tower.

Wasmund reiterated he would be seeking information from others attending the UC Davis Noise and Emissions Symposium about both general and specific incentive programs that have or have not worked elsewhere. He will also explore what knowledge other airports obtain from their noise-related systems, and how it is used.

D. **NOISE MONITORS** – Candace Moon reported efforts continue to work with airport staff to examine data CACNR receives from the noise monitors and explore improvements to meet current needs. She noted the portable noise monitor in the Highlands Ranch area was not functioning properly, and staff was working to get it operational again.

E. **WORK PLAN** – The Committee had not met, but Representatives and Committees were encouraged to look closely at the Work Program for not only those items which are being worked on now or which have been completed, but to think about what would be important to deal with in the future. The Program will be officially updated in early 2023, so it is not too early to begin thinking about what might be included at that time.

6. **FAA REPORTS:**

A. **CENTENNIAL (APA) AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER** – None. A request was made for someone such as Ron Curry to come to a future CACNR meeting, to provide more specific information about how traffic patterns are managed at Centennial Airport.

7. **OTHER REGULAR MONTHLY REPORTS:**

A. **ACPAA** – Bob Doubek presented his report from the February ACPAA meeting which had been provided on site. The report Brad Pierce had submitted to that meeting for CACNR was included with the emailed meeting documents.

B. **AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT** –

1. Airport Activity - Mike Fronapfel reported a 37% increase in fuel sales from last year. There will be 6 new hangers coming, with an anticipated 20 additional hangers from Sky Harbor. The development of newer and quieter planes continues to be anticipated. The airport still anticipates getting a grant for repairs to the runway and the run-up area. Question was asked if anything would be done to alert the public to when that work would, due to the probable change in flight patterns and related noise; CACNR Reps could then share that through their various avenues of communication. This could be done.

2. Legislative - The laser problem will hopefully be addressed through the State legislature with a bill that increases the punishment for endangering aircraft and flight crews. This is being sponsored by the Colorado Aviation Business Association (CABA) and the Colorado Airport Operators Association (CAOA); it has considerable support, but has not been passed yet. Another bill being proposed at the state level and supported by CABA and CAOAs would extend sales and use tax exemptions to On Demand Air Carriers Charters, Fractionals, etc.. similar to what the airlines currently have.

3. Other – Many non-towered airports are dealing with an issue of clearances not being verified, resulting in accidents. CAOAs has signed a letter asking for the FAA to look into this safety concern related to how aircraft clearances are handled at these non-towered airports. Basically, once FAA Center clears an aircraft's flight plan, pilots have taxied to and departed off the runway without permission or notification of the local airport and air traffic, resulting in several incidents and near accidents.

Airport staff had done a presentation to the Aurora Chamber of Commerce Transportation Committee, providing an overview of airport activity, noise issues, the need for careful attention to potential development in areas around the airport from the standpoint of safety and noise, and the positive economic impact of the airport on the surrounding communities.

Question was asked if there was anything new about the 5G rollout. Apparently, no airports in Colorado were among those which would be impacted by this change.

Request was made for the return of the radar density maps which had previously been provided. The maps showing locations of monthly and year to date noise complaints were also requested again. There have apparently been changes in the software and how ANOOMS communicates with GIS, and the staff is working to resolve the resulting problems.

It was reported the city of Centennial had approved a Live/Work residential development of 60 units in the approach to runway 17R/35L. This type of development consists of a commercial use on the first floor and residential uses on the 2nd and 3rd floors; Centennial permits this type of development on commercially zoned property. Both Centennial Airport and the FAA had written letters in opposition of the development, and staff had attended the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting and the City Council meeting when this development had been approved. Centennial Airport had even looked into being able to purchase the property, but it is under contract with the developer and that contract cannot be interfered with. Safety is a major worry, along with obvious noise concerns at that location.

8. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. **CONGRESSIONAL QUIET SKIES CAUCUS** – Brad Pierce was close to being ready to address this topic with Jason Crow's staff.

B. **FOLLOW-UP ITEMS FROM PRIOR CACNR MEETINGS** – The changed format for this list was noted, and all were asked to make use of it.

C. **WHO TO REPRESENT CACNR AT 2022 ACPAA MEETINGS** – Candace Moon would represent CACNR at the March ACPAA meeting, Donna Johnston volunteered to represent CACNR in April. The rest of the months still need volunteer representation.

D. **POSSIBLE N.O.I.S.E. MEETING AT NLC CONFERENCE** – Emily Tranter of N.O.I.S.E. was attempting to get NLC to allow a NOISE meeting to be held separately but in conjunction with the NLC meeting on March 14-16 in Washington, DC.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. **INFORMATION SHARING** - Following discussion and consultation with airport staff, it was agreed to have all future CACNR meetings open to in-person attendance by both CACNR Representatives and Alternates, and members of the general public, barring any change in pandemic statistics.

B. **ELECTION OF CACNR OFFICERS** – The floor was opened for nominations for any of the CACNR offices. Bylaws had been provided for reference. There were none. Carrie Warren-Gully moved to reelect the current officers. The motion was duly seconded and carried. The current officers were thanked for being willing to assume the jobs again..

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

11. **NEXT MEETINGS:**

A. CACNR – April 6, 2022	6:30 p.m. 7565 S. Peoria Street, Unit 9D, Englewood, CO
May 4, 2022	6:30 p.m. 7565 S. Peoria Street, Unit 9D, Englewood, CO
June 1, 2022	6:30 p.m. 7565 S. Peoria Street, Unit 9D
July 6, 2022	6:30 p.m. 7565 S. Peoria Street, Unit 9D

B. ACPAA – April 14, 2022	3:00 p.m. hybrid in-person/virtual meeting
May 12, 2022	3:00 p.m. hybrid in-person/virtual meeting
June 16, 2022	3:00 p.m.
July 2022	NOT MEETING

12. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Alison Biggs, Secretary