

**Port of Portland  
Citizen Noise Advisory Committee  
May 10, 2012  
Meeting Summary**

**CNAC Members in Attendance (Alpha Order by First Name)**

Beverly Bruender	At-Large (City of Portland)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Craig Walker	Clark County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dave Smith	City of Vancouver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Joe Smith	Multnomah County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Karen Meyer	At-Large (City of Maywood Park)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kelly Sweeney	City of Portland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Laura Young	City of Portland	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maryhelen Kincaid	City of Portland	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mark Clark	Fairview/Troutdale/Wood Village	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Matthew Jensen	At-Large (City of Vancouver)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Yee	City of Vancouver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Steve Kerman	Washington County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tony Holt	Clackamas County	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vicki Thompson	City of Gresham	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Technical Advisory Group (TAG)**

Major Todd Hofford	Oregon Air National Guard
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**Port Staff in Attendance      Department**

Jason Schwartz	Noise Management
Jerry Gerspach	Noise Management
Daren Griffin	Airport Operations
Danny Garcia	Airport Operations

## **Welcome and Review of the Previous Meeting Summary – Steve Kerman**

Steve Kerman called the meeting to order. Committee members and staff introduced themselves. There were no members of the public present.

## **Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Summary – Steve Kerman**

The committee reviewed the April meeting summary. Joe Smith commented that he had suggested two topics for future meeting agendas which were not included in the summary. These included “East Hampton’s ‘Plane Noise Complaint Box’” and the Aviation Environmental Decision Tool (AEDT). Steve recommended that these be noted in the May meeting summary. Hearing no further comments, the April meeting summary was approved.

## **PDX Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) Update – Jason Schwartz**

Jason made a presentation on the FAA’s Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) with a specific focus on the Portland/Vancouver metro area and how this program may impact PDX and the community.

Jason discussed the Port’s 30-year history of leadership in noise management which has included being one of the first airports to embrace evolving satellite-based navigation and technology to improve the effectiveness of noise abatement procedures and reduce aircraft noise impacts in nearby communities.

Jason explained that the 2007 noise program update (FAR Part 150) recommendations included integration of satellite-based navigation which also serves as a foundation for NextGen. He noted that the process for designing new arrival procedures into PDX included a variety of stakeholders including the airlines, business aviation, and a number of departments within the Federal Aviation Administration, each with different, sometimes conflicting interests. His presentation included description of enhancements to PDX’s arrival procedures which will enhance efficiency, reduce emissions, and reduce noise.

## **CNAC Meeting Frequency – Steve Kerman**

As a follow-up from the April meeting, Steve resumed the discussion about changing the frequency of the CNAC meetings from monthly to bi-monthly. At the April meeting, Joe Smith recommended changing the meeting frequency to bi-monthly with meetings to be held on “odd” months.

After discussion of the pros and cons to changing the meeting frequency, it was decided that the meetings would be changed to bi-monthly. It was also noted that if a condition or situation arose needing immediate CNAC input, a special meeting could be called. Further discussion about meeting frequency was requested as part of the CNAC Annual Planning Meeting planned for February, 2013.

## **Outreach Report – Kelly Sweeney**

Kelly reminded the committee that the outreach calendar and contact list has been updated and distributed electronically.

## **ORANG Updates / Airport Noise Report (ANR) – Steve Kerman**

Major Hofford advised the committee that ORANG has night training scheduled for the last week in May as well as a number of Memorial Day “Fly-Bys” around the Portland/Vancouver metro area. He also extended an invitation to CNAC members to attend ORANG’s Young American

Day event scheduled for June. Invitations will be passed onto the Noise Management Department then disseminated to CNAC.

Mark Clark discussed a recent article from the Airport Noise Report (ANR) about improvements in aircraft engine technology and volunteered to provide the ANR report at the July meeting.

### **Noise Management Update – Jason Schwartz**

Jason reported that the work on the multilateration components of the airport flight tracking system continues but he hopes to have the system on-line by the end of June. A new consultant has been brought on-board to evaluate the system performance and to make recommendations on how to improve it.

Jason also reported that the Noise Management Department is continuing its effort to expand pilot outreach and accessibility to ensure pilots (e.g. airlines, business aviation, transient military, etc.), are familiar with the Port's airport noise programs (for Portland International, Hillsboro and Troutdale airports), in an effort to operate with minimal noise impacts in nearby communities.

In support of this effort, the department will launch a Pilot Noise Abatement Hotline providing noise program information for all three Port airports and providing a direct link to Noise Management staff. The Port is one of only a handful of airports which offer this type of system. In addition, the Port has become a subscriber to WhisperTrack ([www.whispertrack.com](http://www.whispertrack.com)) which is site that collects and disseminates airport noise program information to the aviation community.

### **Public Comment – Steve Kerman**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

### **Adjournment of Meeting – Steve Kerman**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m. As a reminder, the next CNAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at the Port Headquarters Building.

Meeting summaries and information regarding the Port CNAC and the Noise Management Department are available on the Port of Portland webpage at [www.portofportland.com](http://www.portofportland.com). Copies of materials referenced at the meeting or in the meeting summaries may also be obtained by contacting the Noise Management Department at (503) 415-6068 or (800) 547-8411 ext. 6068.