

**Port of Portland
Citizen Noise Advisory Committee
April 11, 2013
Meeting Summary**

CNAC Members in Attendance (Alpha Order by First Name)

Beverly Bruender	At-Large (City of Portland)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bob Braze	Washington County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bradley Robison	Clackamas County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Craig Walker	Clark County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Joe Smith	Multnomah County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kenya Williams	At Large (Port of Portland)	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Clark	Fairview/Troutdale/Wood Village	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Maryhelen Kincaid	City of Portland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mike Merchant	City of Vancouver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mike Yee	City of Vancouver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tina Penman	At Large (Port of Portland)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vicki Thompson	City of Gresham	<input type="checkbox"/>

Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

None

Port Staff in Attendance Department

Jason Schwartz	Noise Management
Jerry Gerspach	Noise Management
Gregg Maxwell	Noise Management

Brooke Berglund	Community Affairs
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Facilitator

Doug Zenn	Zenn Associates
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1 **WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND AGENDA REVIEW**

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3 CNAC Chair Maryhelen Kincaid began the meeting at 6:00 PM. Doug Zenn reviewed the
4 agenda and asked if there were any questions or additional items to discuss.

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6 Committee members, staff, and other attendees introduced themselves.

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8 **PDX COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

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10 Brooke Berglund from the Port's Community Affairs Department gave an overview of the Port's
11 Community Outreach Strategy. She discussed the goals and mission of her department. She
12 also described program elements including: Port facility tours, use of the web, social media,
13 and development of outreach materials including reports and brochures.

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15 Brooke noted that most of their outreach effort is either focused on the Port as a whole or on
16 project-specific outreach. General outreach specific to Marine or Aviation is uncommon, except
17 in the case of project-specific outreach such as the north runway extension project or South
18 runway construction and repair.

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20 Brooke noted that CNAC members would be welcome to participate in general outreach events
21 where there is a table or booth. She and Jason will work on communication and CNAC
22 coordination.

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24 **PUBLIC COMMENT / QUESTIONS**

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26 There were no public comments/questions.

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28 **ANR UPDATES**

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30 With the meeting running ahead of schedule, Maryhelen suggested Mark Clark give a summary
31 of highlights from recent editions of the Airport Noise Report.

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33 **CNAC OUTREACH PRESENTATION DEMO**

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35 Maryhelen passed out a schedule of upcoming community/neighborhood outreach events that
36 Noise Staff will be attending. She advised that the Noise Staff will be sending the schedule of
37 upcoming events as new events are added. Members interested in attending can coordinate
38 with Jason or Jerry from the Noise Management Department.

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40 Kelly Sweeney reviewed the presentation he gives when attending neighborhood meetings. He
41 encouraged other committee members to get involved whether it be attending a neighborhood
42 meeting and simply introducing themselves and CNAC or making formal presentations noting
43 the feedback has been extremely positive.

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45 **NOISE MANAGEMENT OUTREACH TOOLS: NEIGHBORHOOD BRIEFINGS, TWITTER, WHISPERTRACK**

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47 Jason advised the committee that community/neighborhood briefings made by staff from the
48 Noise Office are custom-designed based on the interests and needs of the audience. He
49 shared several sample slides and described how content is based on input from the community.
50 Content provided may be general in nature (e.g. general overview of the noise program) or
51 more specific in nature focusing on specific conditions (e.g. change in traffic flow which impacts
52 the community), project specific (e.g. runway construction which may affect operations within
53 the community) or operator-specific (e.g. cargo feeders, law enforcement operations, etc.).
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55 Jason then moved on providing a brief presentation on the use of Twitter for outreach to the
56 public and Whispertrack.com which supports pilot outreach and informing the pilot community
57 about Port airport noise programs.
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59 **NOISE MANAGEMENT QUARTERLY REPORTING SUBCOMMITTEE**

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61 Maryhelen introduced the potential for a new subcommittee to help Noise Management staff
62 develop a new report to replace the quarterly operations/noise complaint reports provided to
63 CNAC. When asked about the value of the current report to staff, it was determined the current
64 report had little or no value. When asked how many committee members currently read the
65 quarterly report, it was determined that very few found any value.
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67 Joe suggested that Noise staff should provide information they believe would be of value to
68 CNAC. Examples included:
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- 70 • Anomalies in complaint patterns or aircraft operations
- 71 • Highlights of the work of the Noise Management Department
- 72 • and reports on new or current “issues” for the community resulting in complaints or
73 impacts
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75 Two members recommended a presentation, perhaps in an executive summary format, of the
76 noise complaints and operations data. This could be delivered on a quarterly but preferably bi-
77 monthly basis. Jason stated he would work with his team to develop this new
78 report/presentation and solicit feedback moving forward.
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80 Based on this discussion, the decision was made to not pursue a new subcommittee at this
81 time.
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83 **SHORT UPDATES AND REPORTS**

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85 Maryhelen advised the committee that the meeting summaries would be reviewed and finalized
86 via email in an effort to expedite the review and publication process. Staff committed to getting
87 the meeting summary drafts to the committee for review by the 2nd Friday following the meeting.
88 CNAC members will have a week to review and submit comments and then the summary will be
89 finalized and published.
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91 There was discussion about what should be included in the meeting summaries. Suggestions
92 included:
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- 94 • Action oriented/focus
- 95 • Ongoing issues
- 96 • Decisions made
- 97 • Action items and directives (for CNAC or staff)
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99 Jason advised the committee that staff is working with the National Business Aviation
100 Association to support an update to their Noise Abatement Program. This program includes
101 recommendations for operating aircraft in a way that minimizes community noise impacts
102 whenever possible. They are also supporting an update to the Airports Handbook which is
103 intended to help airports and industry partners collaborate with the surrounding community.
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105 Jason also advised the committee that he will be presenting at the Airports Council International
106 Environmental Affairs Conference next month. His presentation will focus on the NextGen
107 analyses conducted by the Port as part of the planning, decision-making, and outreach
108 processes.

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110 **FINAL COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS**

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112 Suggestions for the May meeting agenda for the next meeting included: a report from the
113 Outreach Subcommittee, a PDX Fly Quiet update, and a NextGen overview.

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115 Mark Clark recommended an FAA briefing (overview) for a future meeting. Jason noted he will
116 put in the request with FAA.

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118 **REVIEW OF NEXT STEPS AND MEETING EVALUATION**

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120 Doug distributed a meeting evaluation form and encouraged members to complete it.

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122 **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

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124 There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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