

**Port of Portland
Citizen Noise Advisory Committee
May 9, 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

None

Port Staff in Attendance Department

Jason Schwartz	Noise Management
Jerry Gerspach	Noise Management

Facilitator

Doug Zenn	Zenn Associates
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WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND AGENDA REVIEW

CNAC Chair Maryhelen Kincaid began the meeting at 5:30 PM. Doug Zenn reviewed the agenda and asked if there were any questions or additional items to discuss.

Maryhelen asked if anyone had comments about the April meeting summary. There were no comments. (The draft meeting summary had been distributed to CNAC members via email and no comments/edits were submitted).

Joe Smith asked whom to submit proposed agenda items to. Maryhelen suggested agenda suggestions go to either she, or Laura noting agendas are developed collaboratively with the Chair, Vice Chair and Noise Manager.

PORTLAND NOISE MAPPING UPDATE

Maryhelen reminded the committee that Noise Mapping of the City of Portland was a recommendation from the PDX Airport Futures Noise Working Group. She noted the City has historical data on various noise producers and the Port has offered to provide support and data related to aircraft noise. She explained there is no staff and no budget for the project. There have been two meetings with City staff, PSU, neighborhood representatives, and Port staff. The City of Portland's Noise Office has been proposed to be moved to the Office of Neighborhood Involvement which could help accelerate this effort. Nothing will be known until the City budget is finalized sometime the end of June. Jason added that this was to be led by the City of Portland, but that the Port would support the project.

INTRODUCTIONS

Committee members, staff, and other attendees introduced themselves.

PUBLIC COMMENT / QUESTIONS

A Fairview resident discussed noise issues associated with an increase in Troutdale airport operations. Her main concern is with repetitive, training (e.g. touch-and-go) operations. Her home is located beneath the [left] traffic pattern for Runway 25. She noted she has been working with Noise Management Staff including the Noise Manager and that she appreciated their efforts to address these issues, including exploring the possibility of changing the traffic pattern for Runway 25 to reduce over-flights of her home.

Mike Yee asked if moving the traffic pattern for Runway 25 would put more aircraft over Vancouver. Jason said their analyses indicated aircraft would remain south of Vancouver over Port property and/or over the Columbia River.

Maryhelen asked that staff update CNAC on the progress of this work at the July meeting.

A second member of the public reported an increase in small planes flying over her neighborhood. Jason asked Jerry to follow-up with her offline.

PDX CALM-WIND RUNWAY POLICY OVERVIEW

Jason gave a presentation on the calm-wind policy (Preferential Runway Program) and its history. Copies of the presentation are available by contacting the Noise Management Department.

Jason explained the calm-wind policy has been in effect since 1979. The policy states that when winds are "calm", runways 10L and 10R should be used (consistent with other operational

and safety considerations). This policy was adopted as the “preferential runway program” in the 1983 Part 150 Study. Jason explained that analyses through the Part 150 and subsequent updates showed that use of Runways 10L/10R results in less noise exposure based on population count. This has also resulted in operating in a near 50/50 split (annually) between east and west flows. The most recent Part 150 noise compatibility study update completed in 2007 supported maintaining the preferential runway program. Jason noted changing the preferential runway program would likely require an environmental review consistent with the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) which could include an environmental assessment. He also noted the program would likely be evaluated as part of a future Part 150 study update.

Maryhelen asked about the Pearson Airfield study/report done last year for the issue with the tower, FAA, box, etc. Kelly said he would contact Paul Speer for the report the Noise Office did.

TRUCKEE-TAHOE “AIRPORT COMMUNITY ADVISORY TEAM” (ACAT) BRIEFING

Kevin Bumen and Hardy Bullock from the Truckee Tahoe Airport in California were invited to provide an overview of the Truckee-Tahoe Airport’s Airport Community Advisory Team (ACAT). Kevin and Hardy described the Truckee-Tahoe Airport District and the 6-member ACAT. They noted that the ACAT is made up of both pilot (3) and non-pilot (3) residents from around the region. Following their presentation, there was a lengthy discussion about both the CNAC and ACAT.

BI-MONTHLY COMPLAINT REPORT

During the April CNAC meeting, the committee discussed the desire to replace the quarterly complaint reports with bi-monthly briefings which should include information that will be of value to CNAC. Examples provided included:

- Anomalies in complaint patterns or aircraft operations
- Highlights of the work of the Noise Management Department
- and reports on new or current “issues” for the community resulting in complaints or impacts

Based on this information, a briefing was developed covering noise complaint statistics and common concerns for the reporting period (March – April 2013). Additionally, the briefing included an overview of noise management work for the reporting period and issues expected to impact noise exposure/complaints in the upcoming weeks. At the conclusion of the briefing, committee members expressed satisfaction with the new reporting format and content.

ANR UPDATES

Mark Clark gave a summary of highlights from recent editions of the Airport Noise Report.

SHORT UPDATES AND REPORTS

Jason advised the committee that the construction work on the south runway was running ahead of schedule and the Port expects this work to be completed by June 10th at which time all runways should be back in operation. Completion of this work may be impacted by weather and other factors.

Jason also advised the committee that due to Oregon State Procurement Requirements, the Port will conduct a competitive bid process for the selection of a facilitator for the June 2013-

July 2014 Port fiscal year. A CNAC member will be invited to participate as a member of the selection committee.

Maryhelen told the committee that she requested a map noting the locations of the noise monitors used by the noise department. She asked if members would be interested in visiting one of these sites. She then asked for the staff to provide a briefing on the location of these monitors and how they are used. Jason indicated this could be included in the bi-monthly report at the July CNAC meeting.

REVIEW OF NEXT STEPS AND MEETING EVALUATION

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

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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. 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.