

**Airport / Community Roundtable
Meeting No. 269 Overview
Wednesday, June 2, 2010**

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Declaration of Quorum Present

Due to the absence of Roundtable Chairperson Mark Church, Richard Newman, C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee Chair and Roundtable Vice Chairperson, served as meeting's Chair and called the Regular Meeting of the Airport/Community Roundtable to order, at approximately 7:10 PM, in the David Chetcuti Community Room at Millbrae City Hall. Steve R. Alverson, Roundtable Coordinator called the roll. A quorum (at least 12 Regular Members) was present as follows:

REGULAR MEMBERS PRESENT

John L. Martin, City and County of San Francisco Airport Commission
Richard Newman, C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC)/Roundtable Vice-Chairperson
Elizabeth Lewis, Town of Atherton
Sepi Richardson, City of Brisbane
Art Kiesel, City of Foster City
Christine Krolik, Town of Hillsborough
Nadia Holober, City of Millbrae (Alternate)
Sue Digre, City of Pacifica
Steve Toben, Town of Portola Valley
Jeffrey Gee, City of Redwood City
John Lee, City of San Mateo
Kevin Mullin, City of South San Francisco

REGULAR MEMBERS ABSENT

City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors
 City and County of San Francisco Mayor's Office
 County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors
 City of Belmont
 City of Burlingame
 City of Daly City
 City of Half Moon Bay
 City of Menlo Park
 City of San Bruno
 City of San Carlos
 Town of Woodside

ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT

Airline/Flight Operations

None

Federal Aviation Administration

Elisha Novak, Airports District Office
Sean Cullinane, SFO Air Traffic Control Tower

ROUNDTABLE STAFF / CONSULTANTS

David F. Carbone, Transportation Systems Coordinator, County of San Mateo/Roundtable Program Manager
Steve Alverson, Roundtable Coordinator
Carla DeLuca, Roundtable Media Program/Consultant

SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT STAFF

Mike McCarron, Bureau of Community Affairs

Bert Ganoung, Noise Abatement Manager

David Ong, Sr. Noise Abatement Systems Manager

Ara Balian, Noise Abatement Specialist

II. Public Comments of Items Not on the Agenda

None.

III. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Review of Airport Director's Report for March 2010
- B. Review of Airport Director's Report for April 2010
- C. Review of a Roundtable Regular Meeting Overview for April 2010
- D. Review/Approval of Correspondence/Information Items for June 2010

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

Action: Christine Krolik **MOVED** the approval of the Consent Agenda Items. The motion was **SECONDED** by Jeffrey Gee and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**.

IV. Airport Director's Comments

- Swiss International Airline has inaugurated twice weekly A-340 flights
- 4.5% year-to-year growth with a 10-11% growth in international passengers
- SOIA PRM received its best use – approximately 23 occasions since the last Roundtable meeting
- Congratulations to the Fly Quiet Award recipients
- Runway 1R-19L was closed all weekend for three weekends for maintenance

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

V. Consideration / Approval / Presentation of the Jon C. Long Fly Quiet Program Awards for 2008/2009

- A. Roundtable Coordinator Steve Alverson provided an overview of the Award Recipients' achievements
- B. Vice Chairperson Richard Newman called for a motion to approve the Awards as follows:
 - i. Most Improved Airline – Hawaiian Airlines
 - ii. Quietest Overall Airline – Horizon Airlines
 - iii. Chairperson's Award – Mexicana Airlines

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

Action: John Lee **MOVED** the approval of the awards as designated. The motion was **SECONDED** by Jeffrey Gee and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**.

- C. Roundtable Program Manager David F. Carbone presented the Fly Quiet Awards to each of the Airlines

Comments/Concerns/Questions: The airline representatives thanked the Roundtable for the awards. Roundtable members thanked the airlines for their performance on behalf of the surrounding communities.

VI. FY 2009 – 2010 Roundtable Work Program Items

A. Status of Required Navigation (RNAV) Procedures in use at San Francisco International Airport

SFO Aircraft Noise Program Manager, Bert Ganoung, gave a verbal update on the status of the RNAV procedures in use at SFO. Bert defined RNAV as Area Navigation and RNP as Required Navigation Performance. Bert indicated that there are nine RNAV approaches and two RNP approaches at SFO. These approaches allow for greater precision of aircraft locations and altitudes, which allows for reduced separation and increased arrival flows.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: Christine Krolik asked if these approaches are related to the implementation of NextGen. Bert said yes. Christine asked if NextGen will help with delays due to fog. Bert indicated not that much due to the proximity of the runway centerlines.

B. Fly Quiet Program Quarterly Report

Bert Ganoung gave reviewed the quarterly Fly Quiet Program results. Bert indicated that the thresholds on the noise monitors had been changed during the ANOMS upgrade process which artificially increased the exceedances. Fleet noise and noise exceedances are generally showing an improving trend. SFO Aircraft Noise Abatement Staff have had good conversations with the bottom five airlines in the fleet noise rating category. The trend for nighttime preferential runway use is also improving. The Shoreline rating is not doing as well, but the SFO Aircraft Noise Abatement Staff are working on it with the airlines. The Gap Departures have shown a flat trend with a slight improvement in the first quarter of 2010. The Foster City approaches are also showing an improving trend.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: Kevin Mullin asked if SFO has data on which noise monitors record the loudest noise levels. Bert said noise exceedance map generally reflects the relative loudness of aircraft noise at each noise monitor.

C. Update on the Activities of the Regional Airport Planning Committee (RAPC)

Roundtable Program Manager David F. Carbone gave an update on the Regional Airport System Planning process, which is exploring ways to meet travel demand without new runways through 2035. The study has reached out to airports outside the region and is considering other potential transportation modes such as High Speed Rail (HSR). The study is about at its midway point. There have been three public meetings. David indicated that it is important for the Roundtable to know that noise is forecasted to increase at SFO as operations grow in the future and that current aircraft noise exposure levels may be at their lowest level.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: Elizabeth Lewis asked if the issues surrounding HSR are addressed in the study. David said that the projected ridership on HSR is considered in the study. HSR is shown to have significant environmental benefits. Since HSR is only going to Southern California, only those passengers at SFO would be offset by the introduction of HSR. Vice-Chair Newman indicated that since there is minimal security on rail travel now, increased security on HSR in the future could affect the projected level of ridership. Sepi Richardson expressed concern about increased noise at SFO and questioned if future improvements in technology would help offset those increases. Steve Alverson indicated that it is difficult to accurately model the noise

exposure of 2035 because the newly manufactured aircraft types flying at that point in time will be quieter, but they are not in the current day noise models. Sue Digre asked if future aircraft noise levels are forecast to increase in the report, will maintenance run-up noise levels increase also. Dave indicated that the report only addressed aircraft flight operations not maintenance, but he would expect that the quieter aircraft of the future will result in quiet maintenance noise. Vice-Chair Newman indicated that some aircraft maintenance work is being done offshore.

VII. Consideration / Approval of a Recommendation From the Roundtable Work Program Subcommittee, Re: Draft Work Program for FY 2010 / 2011

Roundtable Coordinator Steve Alverson reported on the Work Program development process indicating a desire of the Work Program Subcommittee to reduce the number of Work Program items to be covered during each meeting because the Roundtable is routinely continuing Work Program items to future meetings due to a lack of time to cover all agenda items. Steve reviewed all of the FY 2010/2011 Work Program items.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: Steve Toben expressed concern that the Woodside VOR Altitude Crossing Reports were eliminated from the Work Program and with operations increasing conditions could get worse. When semiannual reports began in 2006 performance improved. Steve Toben suggested that an annual review of the altitudes at the Woodside VOR be added to the Work Program. Sepi Richardson suggested that an approach of bringing concerns back to the Roundtable if SFO's Aircraft Noise Abatement Office detects the specified level of exceedances would be better for the community than an annual report. John Lee suggested that it was reasonable to have SFO report exceedances greater than 25 to the Roundtable Chairperson. Christine Krolik asked SFO staff if the report to the Roundtable is what resulted in improved performance. Bert Ganoung indicated that working with the FAA on a continuous basis is what helps with the performance. Bert further indicated that the weekly reports are and will continue to be available online.

Action: Sepi Richardson **MOVED** that the FY 2010/2011 Work Program as recommended by the Work Program Subcommittee be adopted. The motion was **SECONDED** by John Lee and **CARRIED** on vote of 8 in favor of the motion, 2 against (Toben, Lewis), and 2 abstaining (unknown).

VIII. Appointment of Representatives to Serve on the Roundtable Operations and Efficiency Subcommittee

The Operations and Efficiency Subcommittee should be convened to consider the issue of a four-meeting per year schedule, which was forwarded to the Operations and Efficiency Subcommittee by the Work Program Subcommittee. Current Operations and Efficiency Subcommittee members are Chairperson Church, Vice Chairperson Newman, and John Lee. Vice Chairperson Newman solicited for additional volunteers wishing to serve on the Subcommittee. Sepi Richardson and Christine Krolik offered to serve.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: Roundtable Program Manager David F. Carbone indicated that in addition to the four-meeting per year schedule there would be other matters related to the operation of the Roundtable office at a reduced schedule that will be discussed by the Subcommittee.

Action: Nadia Holoher **MOVED** that Sepi Richardson and Christine Krolik be added to the Operation and Efficiency Subcommittee and that the Subcommittee be charged with considering a four-meeting per year Regular meeting schedule and related matters. The motion was **SECONDED** by Art Kiesel and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY.**

IX. Consideration of Support of SB 1333 (Yee), as Amended Airports: Avigation Easements

Roundtable Program Manager David F. Carbone indicated that Senator Yee's bill addresses the issues of the timing of avigation easements as well as a trigger to rescind the easement if a development does not get built. Dave recommended that the Roundtable indicate its support for this bill.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

Action: Jeffrey Gee **MOVED** that the Roundtable indicate its support for SB 133. The motion was **SECONDED** by Sepi Richardson and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**.

X. Review / Tentative Approval of Proposed Roundtable Budget Expenditures for FY 2010 / 2011

Vice Chairperson Newman explained that the Fiscal Year for the Roundtable ends on June 30, but the final budget numbers regarding this year's performance are not available until the October Regular meeting. As a result, the Roundtable approves a tentative budget now so that the Roundtable business can continue in the intervening months and then the Roundtable will approve a final budget at its Regular October meeting. Vice Chairperson Newman also indicated he would like to see an accounting of actual FY 2010 expenses versus the approved FY 2010 budget. Roundtable Program Manager David F. Carbone suggested that the budget be held constant for the foreseeable future.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: Sepi Richardson suggested that the Operations and Efficiency Subcommittee discuss the preparation/timing of the budget.

Action: Sepi Richardson **MOVED** approval of the tentative budget expenditures. The motion was **SECONDED** by Christine Krolik and **CARRIED, UNANIMOUSLY**.

XI. Update on the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) Airport Noise Mitigation Symposium (ANMS) to be held in San Francisco in October 2010

Michael McCarron, Director, SFO Bureau of Community Affairs, San Francisco International Airport and 2010 ANMS Co-Chair 2010 provided an update on the 2010 ANMS which will be held in early October at the Park 55 Hotel. Mike indicated that there will be a session on community involvement and he may be contacting Roundtable members for volunteers.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: Christine Krolik offered to be on a panel.

XII. Aviation Noise News Update

Roundtable Coordinator Steve Alverson provided a brief update on a few newsworthy items related to aircraft noise, including the continued delay of funding of the FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and Pratt & Whitney's testing of a new geared engine that reduced noise levels by 50 percent.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

XIII. Member Communications /Announcements

Christine Krolik thanked Bert Ganoung for his outstanding service to the community. Mike McCarron wanted to acknowledge on the record Naomi Patridge's accomplishments as a softball coach and the tremendous positive impact that she has had on many people.

Comments/Concerns/Questions: None.

XIV. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 PM.