

NEWSLETTER

McClellan-Palomar Airport Confirms its Noise Reporting is Less than Accurate.

In the September Palomar Airport Advisor Committee (PAAC) meeting, a simple question led to a lengthy discussion and a surprising revelation. The simple question was whether the monthly noise reports included each and every noise complaint received? After the discussion between the PAAC members and the public the answer was NO; not all of the complaints are included in the noise complaint reporting.

The airport finally stated:

1. For any complaint received where the flight did not originate or terminate at the airport, that complaint is not included in the report.
2. For any complaint where the flight does not show on WebTrack or cannot be verified by other sources, that complaint is not included in the report.

How many underreported calls are there? We are still waiting for that answer.

PAAC Rejects Public's Request for Better Reporting and More Transparency.

In the August PAAC Meeting, the following document was presented with the intention to allow the PAAC to expand its reporting and to track trending safety issues and transparency. NOTE: in the following copy of the request, Item #1 has a typo, it should read -" But, the PAAC stated the FAA does NOT report these."

To help you understand what both SAN and SNA provide to the public in their airport meetings, I have provided you a copy SAN August 17, 2016 Meeting Agenda and Information. Complete information can be found @ <http://www.san.org/Airport-Noise/Noise-101#4052233-quarterly-noise-reports>

Over the last 6 months I have requested:

1. Because of concerns there are too many aborted landing approaches (Go Around) 300 to 500 feet above schools and communities, I asked these Go Around statistics be reported monthly. But, the PAAC stated the FAA does report these.
2. Present PAAC Minutes are not compliant with Robert Rule of Order in the detail provided.
3. Requested PAAC Meeting Transcript(s), but told they do not exist.
4. Have a FAA (Traffic Controller) representative at the PAAC meetings.

~ All the above have been denied ~

That said, in looking at the San Diego International monthly report, it looks like:

1. The FAA does track and report on Go Arounds and has a representative at the public meetings, e.g., last night's SAN meeting included Mr. Bob Cook (SDIA Air Traffic Control Rep)
2. SAN Minutes are lot, lot more detailed, complying with Roberts Rules.
3. SAN Transcripts of the meetings are available on request.

Therefore, I again request the four (4) items previously requested be complied with along with the following additional statistic included in the monthly reports:

- a. Monthly arrival and departure SENEL (dB), e.g., example of report:

Aircraft Type	SENEL (dB)	Departing To	Flight Number	Date and Time
G650	101	MEM	FDX821	8/18/2016 3:00 AM

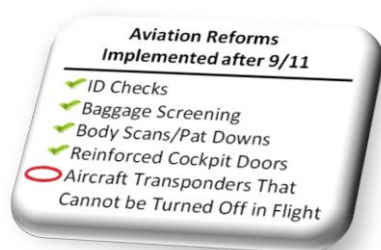
- b. Quarterly and Annual CNEL Data (see SAN link above for details)
- c. Number of Design Class C/D-III aircraft operations per month
- d. Early turns that departing from the "Fly Friendly" program's arrival and departure flight paths

In the September PAAC meeting, the PAAC responded to the above requests by stating:

1. CRQ is not a noise impacted airport and not required to supply the requested report and detailed minutes.
2. The airport does not have the budget nor the manpower to comply with the request.

The author of the above report attempted to respond to the PAAC with a simple question, **"Could he respond to the PAAC position?" PAAC's answer was NO.**

Consistent with what has been observed over the last two years, not only was the author not allowed to respond, but the PAAC continues to ignore its San Diego County Charter. That Charter states under Duties - Bullet 4: *"To provide an open forum between the Communities and the County on matters pertaining to Palomar Airport."*



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