

SMCCA Aircraft Noise Update – September 2020

On September 1st, our Congressman, Ted Lieu and 4 members of Congress from the Los Angeles area sent a letter to the Southern California Regional Administrator regarding aircraft noise caused by low flying planes. (See attached). Specifically, the Congressional members noted that due to Covid -19, there has been a dramatic reduction of planes flying into LAX. However, despite this reduction, the percentage of aircraft flying below the FAA's prescribed minimum altitudes, remains the same as the pre-Covid levels. The letter asks the FAA to explain why this is happening.

The FAA will most likely take 30 days to respond.

Meanwhile, as many of you have recently experienced, the noise from the planes has noticeably increased these past few weeks, especially in the early morning and late evening hours. Currently, the number of planes flying into LAX is 1/3 of the pre Covid amount. As the number of flights into LAX increase, the noise is only going to get worse, until it is back to pre Covid levels. Therefore, it is extremely important that you continue to let the elected know how much the aircraft noise bothers you. Keep complaining! Keep pushing your Airnoise button and send the electeds the weekly summary.

Current Contact Information for Elected Officials

Here is the current contact information for your Government Representatives:

Congressman Lieu: Joey Apodaca, joey.apodaca@mail.house.gov	323 651-1040
Senator Feinstein: Jeanette Christian, jeanette_christian@feinstein.senate.gov	310 914-7300
Senator Harris: Emily Adsit, Emily_Adsit@harris.senate.gov	310 231-4494
Councilman Bonin: Geoff Thompson, Geoff.thompson@lacity.org	310 568-8772
LA City Attorney: Mike Feuer, Mike.N.Feuer@lacity.org	213 978-8100

Drop into Senator Harris' West Los Angeles Office:

Senator Harris allows constituents to drop into her office and talk to her representatives about issues.

Stop by and let her staff know how much the aircraft noise bothers you.
11845 W Olympic Blvd, #1250W (Olympic just north of Bundy, across the street from Bed, Bath and Beyond). If possible, ask for Emily Adsit.

Get an Airnoise button! Check out the Airnoise website: airnoise.io. It's a one click way to lodge a complaint directly to LAWA. You can even order a button, to make it super easy to complain. You will receive a weekly summary of your complaints, which can then be forwarded to the government officials listed above.

File a Complaint with Los Angeles World Airports!

Click on <https://www.lawa.org/en/lawa-environment/noise-management/lawa-noise-management-lax> to file your noise complaint. Note that LAWA updated its online noise complaint forms as of August 2020, so now its easier to register your complaints.

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