

# Aviation Noise Working Group

## MEETING SUMMARY

AUGUST 11, 2025; 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE

**Meeting Objective:** Updates on the Aviation Near-term Noise Action Agenda and the Port's sound insulation programs and the convening of the Part 150 Noise Study's Technical Review Committee to discuss the Study's Noise Compatibility Program phase.

*The summary of the Part 150 Noise Study's 6/9 Technical Review Committee meeting, which followed the working group meeting, is posted on SEA Airport's Part 150 Noise Study Website:*

<https://seapart150.com/documents/>

### Meeting Summary:

- I. Facilitator Welcome, Introduction, and meeting agenda, Cheryl Swab, Uncommon Bridges
- II. Noise Working Group Program Updates, Tom Fagerstrom, Noise Programs Manager & Paris Edwards, Noise Programs Coordinator, POS
  - Late Night Noise Limitation Program Q2 Updates
    - ATI (Amazon's Prime Air) – 31 exceedances (all landings); Eva Airways – 29 exceedances (take-offs and landings); FedEx Express – 21 exceedances (all landings)
    - Average of 55 operations per late-night (50 passenger & 5 cargo) in July
    - 604 operations using newest generation aircraft (35%) – Alaska, Delta, United, Southwest, EVA, Singapore, China Airlines, Starlux
    - 44 operations using oldest, noisiest aircraft (3%): 747 & MD11 – Cargolux, Korean Air Cargo, Asiana Airlines Cargo, FedEx Express
    - Late night runway use
      - 2024 Totals: Average of 4.8 third runway landings per late night
      - 2025 Totals: (thru 8/6) Average of 4.2 third runway landings per late night; 83 nights with no landings on third runway; nighttime runway closures for construction effect usage more than any other factor
  - Question: the issue of expanding the quiet skies hours was raised at the last meeting, when is that going to be addressed? This issue will be part of a future meeting.
  - Aircraft Go-Arounds:
    - June 2025: **Total: 92; average: 3.0**; June 14<sup>th</sup>, 9 go-arounds due to a security issue on an arriving flight. Higher than normal number of go-arounds on June 20<sup>th</sup> (9) and 21<sup>st</sup> (8) due to high wind velocity.
    - July 2025: **Total: 99; average: 3.1**; July 26<sup>th</sup>, 12 go-arounds due to aircraft maintenance issue after landing on Runway 16R and Runway 16C, starting Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, had 20 days of runway closures for runway and airfield improvement projects.

- Noise Comment Report for March and April: top five cities are generally consistent with previous months, with several hundred comments coming from 1-4 households. Comments remain comparable to prior years except for 2023 when they were lower than typical.

III. Sound Insulation Program Update, Julie Kinzie, Sr. Environmental Program Manager, POS

- Single family housing in the Noise Remedy Boundary:
  - 61 homes have not applied; 3 complete in 2024 and 1 is pending construction in 2025
  - Apartment complexes: 15 of 18 applied, 4 declined and 1 not eligible; 1 project is complete, 1 in progress
  - 89 of 327 individual apartment units complete
  - Places of worship construction starting in 2025; 5 of 7 applied, 1 not eligible and 1 on hold
  - Julie described the extensive outreach that the Port provides to get residents to apply for the program. However, many residents still decide not to participate. Often when the home is sold, the new buyer applies.
  - Cities have offered help in reaching their residents; they can reach out to Julie directly to coordinate.
- The current sound insulation programs are funded by SEA Airport revenues (20%) and FAA grant funds (80%)
- Repair and Replacement Pilot Program
  - The Port's Sound Insulation Repair and Replacement Pilot Program is currently funded solely by the Port - \$5 million in Port tax levy funds.
  - 262 homes met the eligibility requirements for acoustic testing and 132 of the 262 applied to participate in the testing. 120 acoustic testing time slots were created for the Pilot Program.
  - In June & July – 58 homes were acoustically tested and 5 tested were above the noise threshold requirements. In August, 30 homes were acoustically tested with results pending. The final round of testing is in September with all time slots scheduled.
  - Refer to the 2024 assessment report for further information.  
<https://www.portseattle.org/page/repair-and-replace-pilot-program>

IV. Part 150 Noise Study Technical Review Committee Meeting

Summary posted on SEA Airport's Part 150 Noise Study Website: <https://seapart150.com/documents/>

V. Wrap Up

- Next meeting: October 13, 2025, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

MEMBER	INTEREST REPRESENTED	PRESENT
ADOLFO BAILON	BURIEN - CITY	✓
ALETHIA MILLER	ALASKA AIRLINES	✓
AMY ARRINGTON	NORMANDY PARK - CITY	✓
BILL VADINO	FEDERAL WAY - CITY	✓
BRYAN TOMICH	NORMANDY PARK - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	✓
GARMON NEWSOM II	BURIEN - CITY	-
JEFF HARBAUGH	BURIEN - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	✓
KAREN VELORIA	BURIEN - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	✓
KATHLEEN WILSON	TUKWILA - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	-
JOE DUSENBURY	DES MOINES - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	-
JOSEPH BERT	FAA	-
MICHAEL BRUGATO	FEDERAL WAY - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	✓
SARAH COX	PORT OF SEATTLE	-
ROGER KADEG	SEATAC - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	-
SCOTT INGHAM	DELTA AIR LINES	✓
SCOTT KENNEDY	ALASKA AIRLINES	-
MOIRA BRADSHAW	NORMANDY PARK - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE	✓
RESOURCES		
MARCO MILANESE	PORT OF SEATTLE	✓
TOM FAGERSTROM	PORT OF SEATTLE (TRC)	✓
RYAN McMULLAN	PORT OF SEATTLE (TRC)	-
PARIS EDWARDS	PORT OF SEATTLE (TRC)	✓
TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE		
LYNAE CRAIG	ALASKA AIRLINES	-
KALEENA GLOVER	DELTA AIRLINES	✓
LIZ STEAD	BURIEN	-
JASON WOYCKE	DES MOINES	✓
ZACK SHIELDS	SEATAC - CITY	✓
JEFF WATSON	NORMANDY PARK	-
NEIL TABOR	TUKWILA	✓
MATTHEW BLINSTRUB	FEDERAL WAY	-
SKY LARON	FAA	✓
RODNEY LINDBECK	FAA	-
JASON POOLE	FAA	-
SUSAN McLAIN	KING COUNTY	✓
TOM HOOPER	PORT OF SEATTLE (TRC)	✓
CONSULTANTS		
ANDRES MANTILLA	UNCOMMON BRIDGES	✓
SKYLAR BENSON	UNCOMMON BRIDGES	✓
VINCE MESTRE	CONSULTANT	✓
AUTUMN WARD	ESA	✓
SCOTT TATRO	ESA	✓

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