



Los Angeles World Airports

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Councilmember Mike Bonin
City of Los Angeles, Council District 11
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Deborah Flint
Executive Director

Re: Westchester/Playa del Rey – Go-around Summary

Dear Councilmember Bonin:

We are aware the Westchester/Play del Rey community has experienced an increase in the last month of flights required to “go-around” turning over the Northside communities. The primary cause for this is the closure of Runway 24R-6L. The Runway has been closed for construction of Runway Safety Areas (RSAs) required to meet new federal safety requirements. The runway has been closed since June 29th and will be closed through October 18th.

As a result of the closure, Runway 24L-6R is being used as both an arrival and departure runway. While the number of “go-arounds” and/or missed approaches has not significantly increased during the period Runway 24R has been closed, LAWA is aware that more of the flights executing these maneuvers have been directed by the FAA to turn north, off the runway heading. This maneuver is required for safety reasons.

LAWA, FAA and Airline staff meets regularly to discuss the operational impacts of the runway closure. We have scheduled a meeting on Tuesday September 2nd to discuss this specific operational issue and try to identify mitigation measures that can be safely implemented to reduce impacts to the community. In addition, staff will increase outreach activities to ensure that the community members are well informed about the possibility of different traffic and noise patterns they may experience during the RSA projects. Staff will also increase the timeliness of complaint responses which are currently done on a monthly basis.

LAWA's Noise Management staff works closely with other LAWA divisions and communities surrounding LAX to implement programs to minimize noise generated by aircraft operating at LAX. LAWA has sought partnership-based solutions and has worked for many years with the FAA, who governs how and where aircraft move on the ground and in the air, to develop and implement these noise abatement procedures.

Staff compiles a monthly Aircraft Noise Community Response Report summary and posts this information on our public website in an effort to be transparent. The report includes statistical and graphical information, such as the number of complaints by individual and community, and the types of disturbances reported. All complaints are

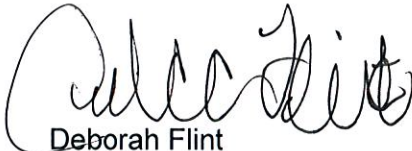


captured and included in this report. Staff also investigates complaints, and will provide a follow-up response to the resident via letter, if a written response is requested.

LAWA does strive to be a good neighbor and takes community complaints very seriously. Currently, anyone can file a complaint or request information by one of two ways:

- Calling our dedicated 24-hour number (424) 64-NOISE
Completing an on-line form via the WebTrak application
(<http://webtrak.bksv.com/lax>)

Sincerely,



Deborah Flint
Executive Director

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