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The nine-member  
Noise Compatibility Committee monitors  
**aircraft noise impacts**, receives  
**public input** and makes  
**recommendations** about  
**noise mitigation procedures**  
for consideration by the  
Naples Airport Authority.



**Cliff Holland** NCC Chair

I am pleased to present the 2020 Annual Report on behalf of the Noise Compatibility Committee. In a year of uncertainty and disruption from the unfolding COVID-19 pandemic, we remained focused on the priority at hand: the Part 150 Noise and Land Use Compatibility Study.

The Part 150 Noise Study kicked off at the beginning of 2020. After an initial round of public outreach in February, pandemic conditions forced a halt to in-person community outreach. Efforts shifted to digital and hybrid outreach and we continue to engage homeowners associations, civic organizations and all community members who have an interest in this study. Despite the challenges, we are committed to engaging the community and ensuring all voices are heard.

With the increased concern associated with commercial air travel, we experienced a sharp increase in private charter over the summer that has continued into the winter tourist season. While total operations were down 13%, jet operations increased from the year prior. Even with the increase in charter activity and a new segment of travelers coming to Naples, I'm proud to report that our voluntary nighttime curfew compliance remains above 98%.

This year, and every year, our focus is on community outreach. As we continue through the Part 150 Noise Study process, I encourage your continued attendance and participation (virtual or in-person). Your voice and input are critical to this process as we work toward developing a Noise Exposure Map that identifies existing and future aircraft sound exposure and a Noise Compatibility Program that will recommend measures to address aircraft noise.

Together, we share a collective interest in maintaining the Naples quality of life and the economic and community benefits of the airport, while communicating the importance of Please Fly Safe Fly Quiet.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cliff Holland".

# PART 150 NOISE AND LAND USE COMPATIBILITY STUDY UPDATE

In 2020 the NAA initiated the Part 150 Noise Study, a voluntary process to address airport noise and land use. As part of its objective to include extensive public involvement with the study, the NAA formed a Technical Advisory Committee, which is comprised of community volunteers who represent the city and county. Three public open houses were held in February, hosted by the NAA and Environmental Science Associates, the NAA's Part 150 noise consultant.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, typical flight activity and operations have been disrupted from normal trends. As a result, a new forecast of annual operations must be developed to estimate activity expected between 2021 and 2026 for use in developing the Noise Exposure Maps. Additionally, community outreach efforts have shifted to target virtual and hybrid meeting and presentation opportunities, as well as increased communication materials that can be distributed amongst stakeholder groups and residents throughout the community.

The Part 150 Noise and Land Use Compatibility Update provides a structured approach for airport operators, pilots, neighboring communities, and the FAA to evaluate opportunities to address community concerns regarding noise exposure while preserving safety and operational capabilities of the airport. The last FAA-approved Part 150 Noise Study was completed more than 20 years ago (1997). An update was prepared in 2010, but it was not submitted to the FAA for approval since it would not have resulted in meaningful reductions in noise exposure.

The study includes creating Noise Exposure Maps (NEMs) and a Noise Compatibility Program (NCP). The NEMs show community exposure to certain levels of existing and future noise and identify uses that are noncompatible with those levels. The NCP recommends ways to address or reduce those noncompatible uses while preserving aviation safety and airport operational abilities.

## NCC HIGHLIGHTS

**98.5% COMPLIANCE** – Compliance with the voluntary nighttime curfew remains above 98%.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH** – The NAA is committed to meeting with the community to understand concerns and provide airport information, including ongoing noise abatement efforts. In 2020, in-person meetings and tours were largely restricted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, the NAA shifted to virtual and hybrid meetings to continue engaging the community.



*Please*  
**FLY SAFE FLY QUIET**  
QUIET HOURS 10 pm - 7 am

**Noise Comment Hotline: 239-643-1879**  
[www.FlyNaples.com/about-noise-abatement](http://www.FlyNaples.com/about-noise-abatement)