



## SANTA CRUZ/SANTA CLARA COUNTIES AIRPORT/COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE

### *Recap of the Second Legislative Committee Meeting of the Roundtable*

WEDNESDAY, June 10, 2020 | 10:00AM – 12:00PM

This meeting was conducted in accordance with State of California Executive Order N-29-20, dated March 17, 2020. Members of the Legislative Committee participated by video conference, with no physical meeting location. A video recording of this meeting can be found on the SCSC Roundtable website by [clicking on this link](#).

#### **Committee Members Present**

Lisa Matichak, City of Mountain View, Committee Chairperson  
Ed Bottorff, City of Capitola  
Glenn Hendricks, City of Sunnyvale  
Kathy Watanabe, City of Santa Clara  
Lydia Kou, City of Palo Alto  
Michelle Wu, City of Los Altos Hills (Called-in at 10:10 am)

#### **Congressional Staff**

Tom Pyke, Congressman Ro Khanna's Office

#### **SCSC Roundtable Consultant Staff**

Steve Alverson, Environmental Science Associates (ESA)  
Evan Wasserman, ESA  
Andi Jordan, Cities Association of Santa Clara County – Executive Director  
Christina Gilmore, City of Mountain View

#### **1. Call to Order**

Committee Chairperson Lisa Matichak called the Legislative Committee meeting of the SCSC Community Roundtable to order at 10:01 AM. Committee Chairperson Matichak provided an overview of the agenda, the format for the virtual meeting, and the topics/items to be discussed. Committee Chairperson Matichak noted that members of the public may comment on any item on the agenda, with an audio recording of the meeting and additional resources to be found on the SCSC Roundtable [website](#) upon conclusion of the meeting.

#### **2. Identification of Members Present – Legislative Committee Members**

The Roundtable Legislative Committee members identified themselves. A quorum of the Committee members was present. The only Committee member who was not present at the time of the roll call was Member Michelle Wu. Member Wu joined the meeting by phone at approximately 10:10 am PDT.

**3. Oral Communications/Public Comment (video timestamp 00:01:25)**

Public comment: Jennifer Landesmann; and Darlene Yaplee.

Follow-up Comments: None.

**4. Review Agenda Items for the Legislative Committee – Steve Alverson, Roundtable Facilitator and Legislative Committee Member Kathy Watanabe (video timestamp 00:10:20)**

Roundtable Facilitator Steve Alverson and Committee Member Kathy Watanabe provided a summary of the requests made by the Legislative Committee at the April 29, 2020 Legislative Committee meeting regarding:

- A list of **Legislative Committee Action Items**;
- A list of **Potential Agenda Items** for the Legislative Committee; and
- A list of **Current Bills** that the Legislative Committee might want to consider addressing.

In addition, an overview of the “Common Themes from the Public” was provided, along with a list of “Possible Legislative Areas to Focus On.”

**Common Themes from the Public:**

- Replace the DNL metric,
- Lower the 65 DNL Threshold for Assessing Noise Impacts,
- Revise FAA's NEPA Guidance to Require Full Disclosure of Noise Analyses in CatExes,
- Include Public Involvement in the CatEx Process,
- Increase the Importance of Noise Impacts When Evaluating Flight Procedures,
- Place an Emphasis on the Frequency of Single Noise Events,
- Link the IFP Gateway Publication Dates and FAA Roundtable Report Outs,
- FAA Must Evaluate the Actual Impacts of Procedure Changes and Make Adjustments to Match the Environmental Analysis,
- Limit Nighttime Flights

**Possible Legislative Areas to Focus On:**

- Controlling Aircraft Noise at the Source
- Controlling Aircraft Noise on the Ground
- Environmental Analysis of Noise Impacts and Air Emissions
- Impact on Public Health
- FAA Policies

Member Comments: Member Kathy Watanabe; Member Glenn Hendricks; Member Lydia Kou; Member Michelle Wu; Member Ed Bottorff; and Chairperson Lisa Matichak.

Public comment: Darlene Yaplee; Jennifer Landesmann; Robert Holbrook; Marie-Jo Fremont; and Jennifer Tasseff.

Follow-up Comments: Congressional Staff Tom Pyke (Congressman Ro Khanna's Office); Andi Jordan; Chairperson Lisa Matichak; Member Glenn Hendricks; Member Kathy Watanabe; Member Lydia Kou; and Roundtable Facilitator Steve Alverson.

Assignments: Chairperson Lisa Matichak to follow-up with congressional representatives regarding Quiet Skies Caucus meeting; Member Glenn Hendricks to define policy around noise metrics; and Member Kathy Watanabe to follow-up on how the Roundtable can address public health impacts and the environmental analysis of noise impacts and air emissions.

Public comment: Robert Holbrook; Darlene Yaplee; Jennifer Landesmann; Marie-Jo Fremont; and Jennifer Tasseff.

Follow-up Comments: Member Lydia Kou; Chairperson Lisa Matichak; Congressional Staff Tom Pyke (Congressman Ro Khanna's Office); and Roundtable Facilitator Steve Alverson.

**ACTION:** Committee Chairperson Matichak's motion to determine and assign priorities for next steps for more effective input on legislation was seconded by Member Bottorff and passed unanimously by the Committee. These next steps include acceptance of Legislative Committee member assignments to follow-up with congressional representatives regarding Quiet Skies Caucus meeting (Member Lisa Matichak); to define policy around noise metrics (Member Glenn Hendricks); and to follow-up on how the Roundtable can address public health impacts and the environmental analysis of noise impacts and air emissions (Member Kathy Watanabe).

#### **5. Committee Member Reports – Legislative Committee Members (video timestamp 01:49:50)**

Committee Chairperson Matichak asked if there were items that committee members would like to share. Member Hendricks thanked Chairperson Matichak for a well-run meeting. Member Bottorff noted that due to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on Capitola's finances, his jurisdiction will not be able to continue membership in the SCSC Roundtable, and he thanked all committee members and participants involved.

#### **6. Adjournment (video timestamp 1:52:00)**

Committee Chairperson Matichak adjourned the meeting at 11:53 AM. During the meeting, it was noted that the next regular SCSC Roundtable meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at 1:00 PM, to be held virtually with an agenda and registration information to be sent out prior to the meeting.