

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council, My name is Dave Abbitt. I am a fairly new homeowner in the Sherman Oaks hills. I moved to Sherman Oaks from Hollywood in 2018 primarily because I found the street and air traffic (helicopter) noise in Hollywood induced extreme stress. Little did I know when my wife and I purchased our new home that we would be dealing with regular air noise offenses, as our house sits directly below incoming and outgoing flight paths for Burbank and Van Nuys airports. I have been a resident of Los Angeles my entire life, and grew up in the central-west San Fernando Valley. I don't recall ever having to deal with noise like this before. Had I known, prior to purchasing my home, that this would be an issue here, I would have looked to buy a home further west, but here we are. I have attached a .pdf file of a few of the complaints I have filed via Airnoise.com. Please note the times of these flights. They happen at all hours of the night, and occur with immense frequency throughout the day - sometimes there are five-seven planes one on top of the other within a ten minute period. As I mentioned, they are directly over my home; sometimes at altitudes below 2,000 feet. I can't convey in words how surreal it is to look up at the night sky at 11:30pm on a Wednesday or Thursday night and see hundreds of feet above you the white fuselage of a jet airplane. It feels simply out of this world. It is incredibly noisy. Incredibly disruptive. It is difficult to have guests during the day, as we are constantly interrupted by the extremely loud noise of these flights. Houseguests are dismayed by having their sleep disrupted. In addition to the noise pollution, I am concerned about air pollution. We are directly under these flights. The exhaust from these flights is raining down on my house - literally. Is that safe for my family? Please ask yourselves - would you want to live in these conditions? These are not prop planes, or police helicopters interested in public service - these are jets, some as big as 737s, but mostly private. I don't report every instance to Airnoise - that would be impossible and quite frankly it feels like a helpless and unproductive activity, given what seems like a lack of interest or ability to address the problem from local or federal state or airport officials. Please help our neighborhoods find peace again. One of my colleagues at work lives within five blocks and told me he and his wife are probably

moving due to the noise. We need relief. You would want the same for your families. Thank you.

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January 17, 2020 00:34

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February 29, 2020 23:19

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March 19, 2020 22:54

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March 23, 2020 04:53

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March 25, 2020 09:25

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