

**AIRCRAFT NOISE ABATEMENT TASK FORCE MEETING
ST. PETE-CLEARWATER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

October 17, 2018

St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport (PIE), Aircraft Noise Abatement Task Force (NATF) Committee, a/k/a Task Force, met at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 234, Airport Terminal Building, with the following members present:

Present

Robert Butler, Allegiant Air
H.D. Holland, Feather Sound Resident
Jerry Karp, Clearwater Resident
Barbara Markley, Pinellas Park Resident
Scott McGuff, Oldsmar Resident
Steve Ochsner, Feather Sound Resident
John Padavich, Safety Harbor Resident
Steven Santamaria, Airport Operations Supervisor
Michael Short, Clearwater Resident
Cheryl Soszka, Airport Administration
Mark Sprague, Deputy Director, Operations and Facilities
Jeff Yost, Allegiant Air
Michael Zas, County Attorney's Office

Absent:

Russ Argus, Federal Aviation Administration, Air Traffic Control PIE
Tom Jewsbury, Airport Director
Joseph Lassen, US Army Reserve
David Sheppard, U.S. Coast Guard
Deen Walker, Sheltair
Michael Yuska, Federal Aviation Administration, Air Traffic Control

Guests in Attendance:

Mark Minter, Oldsmar
Chris Perez, St. Petersburg
Autumn Ward, Environmental Science Associates

AGENDA

1. Introduction & Opening Comments
2. Noise Contours presented by Environmental Science Associates
3. 2019 Task Force Meeting Dates and Task Force Members
4. Semi-Annual Task Force Report
5. Move Meeting Minutes of July 25, 2018
6. Quarterly Noise Compliance Report & Complaint Summary
7. Flights within Voluntary Quiet Window
8. Action/Discussion Items
 - Allegiant Airlines and Flights over Oldsmar with the NAP
9. Citizen's Comments
10. Adjournment

INTRODUCTION, MEETING DATES, AND MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Sprague welcomed those present to the NATF Meeting and everyone introduced themselves. Mr. Sprague announced the *2019 NATF Meeting Dates* and *NATF Members*. In addition, Mr. Sprague moved the *Semi-Annual Task Force Report* and *Meeting Minutes* of July 25, 2018 into the record.

NOISE CONTOURS PRESENTATION FROM ESA

Environmental Science Associates (ESA) gave a brief presentation on Noise Contours. Autumn Ward showed Noise Contours from 2017 and advised they would be updated in early 2019 as part of the Airport Master Plan forecast. Mr. Sprague added that Runway 18/36 will not increase in length as part of the Master Plan.

QUARTERLY NOISE ABATEMENT COMPLIANCE REPORT AND COMPLAINT SUMMARY

Mr. Sprague referred to the *Noise Abatement Compliance Report* for the 3rd Quarter 2018. In July, 484 aircraft arrived on Runway 18; 328 aircraft used a Noise Abatement Procedure (NAP), while 21 did not. In August, 380 aircraft arrived on Runway 18; 278 used a NAP, while 14 did not. In September, 197 aircraft arrived on Runway 18; 141 used a NAP, while 8 did not.

There were 640 complaints received during the 3rd Quarter from nine different households, with 607 of the complaints coming from one household in Safety Harbor (Lou Claudio). The top three cities submitting complaints were Safety Harbor, Largo, and New Port Richey. The top three reasons for complaints were excessive noise, late night or early morning flights, and aircraft not flying the NAP.

FLIGHTS WITHIN VOLUNTARY QUIET WINDOW

The number of flights during the Voluntary Quiet Window (VQW) for the 3rd Quarter was 208 out of 1,786 (12%). The main reasons for flights during the VQW were scheduled Allegiant arrivals between 11:00 p.m. and 11:45 p.m. through August, flight delays, weather, and Air Traffic Control (ATC) mandated ground stops. It is anticipated there will be scheduled flights after 11:00 p.m. during the upcoming holiday season.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mr. Sprague provided an update on the status of the VOR/DME-B Special Procedure converting to a Public Procedure. Publication should be sometime in early 2019 as the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is now reviewing procedures again since they have completed the Metroplex studies.

At Mr. Sprague's request, Mr. Yost, Allegiant Air Traffic Control Coordinator, and Robert Butler, Allegiant Chief Pilot, provided an update on flights over Oldsmar in relation to the NAP. Mr. Yost has worked with Tampa Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) to have the NAP begin the Approach at GEZZR as opposed to "short-cutting" the Approach by beginning at PPLNT; which brought aircraft directly over Oldsmar. In addition, Allegiant has been proactive in training their pilots to always begin the Approach at GEZZR. Mr. Minter, Oldsmar resident, expressed sincere appreciation to Allegiant and the Airport for taking noise complaints seriously. Mr. Minter advised they have seen an improvement in aircraft following the NAP in Oldsmar.

NATF MEMBERS AND CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Mr. Short, Clearwater At Large NATF Member, asked for clarification regarding whether the VOR/DME-B will be approved or could it be removed completely. Mr. Sprague indicated he could not see any reason why the FAA would not approve it. Mr. Yost added he received a call from UPS asking Allegiant to take over as the lead operator for this Special Procedure. Allegiant is the only carrier that can fly the VOR/DME-B Special, until such time it is approved by the FAA as a Public Procedure.

Mr. Yost also stated that Allegiant will be taking ownership of the RNAV Visual Procedure. Mr. Sprague indicated that Flair Airlines is working with the FAA on flying this procedure.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:59 p.m.