



COMMUNITY NOISE FORUM
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

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The Community Noise Forum is constituted as an initiative of the Regional Airport Authority of Metropolitan Louisville and Jefferson County (LRAA), as part of its Noise Compatibility Program compiled under Part 150, Federal Aviation Regulations. The Forum shall be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Noise Compatibility Program, by assessing the effectiveness of its component measures; formulating proposed changes and refinements; and collecting necessary knowledge and materials to facilitate future Program updates.

The Forum shall prepare an annual report for presentation to the LRAA Board.

The Forum incorporates representation from all components of the airport community: airlines, other aircraft operators, businesses, sensitive facilities, residents, management, and government. In order to provide for stable structure and participation, the Forum will endeavor to fill all vacancies. The Forum shall consist of no less than six designated representatives of:

- LRAA Board: member appointed under KRS 183.132(6)(d)
- LRAA management
- Louisville Air Traffic Control staff
- Louisville Airport Affairs Committee
- Kentucky Air National Guard
- United Parcel Service
- General aviation community at SDF
- University of Louisville
- Louisville Metro Government
- Southern Indiana communities
- Airport Neighbors' Alliance (ANA)
- General citizenry of each quadrant bounding the airport, as defined by the axis of I-264 adjacent to the airport, and a line between, and parallel to, the airport's parallel runways

The LRAA Noise and Environmental Programs Coordinator shall be considered a Forum resource and shall be a non-voting member.

Chief executives of each of the organizations and entities listed shall be responsible for designating their representatives to the Forum if not otherwise specified. The Chief Executive of the FBO shall designate a general aviation representative. In the cases of the general citizenry, which represent the concerns of specified airport neighbors, seats shall be filled by the Airport Neighbors' Alliance (ANA), based on an open nominating and election process. Candidates need not be members of ANA.

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The Forum shall elect a Chair and a Vice Chair, and establish such other offices as it deems appropriate to facilitate its operation. Officers shall serve terms of one year, and may be reelected if otherwise qualified. The Chair shall work with the LRAA staff to prepare meeting agendas; preside over meetings; and review and endorse meeting notes for the Forum's approval. The Chair shall also oversee the recording and forwarding of any formal decision or recommendation adopted at a Forum meeting.

The Forum shall ordinarily meet quarterly, beginning in January each year, at the offices of the LRAA or another agreed location, with a regular agenda reflecting the main elements of the Noise Compatibility Program. A majority of the designated members of the Forum shall constitute a quorum (vacant positions shall not be considered in determining the quorum) for the purpose of conducting meetings and routine business. Formal initiatives may be undertaken only by consensus of the Forum's members, as stipulated below. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or by any four Forum members, provided that all members are notified at least three (3) days prior of the time, place and purpose of the meeting, and that the meeting addresses only the stated purpose. All meetings shall be considered public meetings within the meaning of KRS 61.805.

The Forum may from time to time establish such working groups as it finds necessary to advance its agenda. Such working groups may include participants who are not Forum members if required, but shall report findings and recommendations in their designated areas for discussion and endorsement by the Forum. Chairs of such working groups shall be selected by, and serve at the pleasure of, their members.

Working groups shall report data, evaluations and findings to the Forum as they emerge on individual issues, respond to inquiries, and assist as needed in making presentations. The Forum shall record recommendations it adopts, and assist in moving them forward for consideration in compiling future updates of the Noise Compatibility Program.

Reasonable administrative support for the Forum's work program shall be provided by the staff of the LRAA, and coordinated by the Chair and the staff. Support may include publication and distribution of meeting notices and agendas, taking meeting notes, reproduction of discussion materials, documentation of decisions and recommendations, public affairs liaison, and such related tasks as the chair may identify. Meeting notes shall capture comments, questions, and decisions made by the Forum. Notes shall also be taken by designated members of the meetings of working groups, for distribution, after review and approval, to the Forum.

Funding support for programs proposed by the Forum shall be addressed in the regular budgetary process of the LRAA. Members of the Forum shall serve without compensation.

The Forum shall take its decisions by consensus. Issues on which consensus is not achieved in the Forum may be referred to working groups for further study. In cases where the chair determines that efforts to attain consensus are exhausted, findings shall be compiled and recorded with full representation of dissenting views.

Business of the Forum shall otherwise be conducted informally, with procedural questions resolved by reference to the Modern Rules of Order. Recurrent or systemic issues shall be catalogued for further study and recommendations by reference to this Charter. The Charter may be amended by decision of the Forum.