

Memo

To: Jenn Rand- West Tisbury Town Administrator

From: Jim Graham

cc: Cynthia Mitchell, Skip Manter, Jessica Miller

Date: April 25, 2023

Re: Second Meeting of Technical Advisory Committee for the FAA Part 150 Noise Study at MVY Airport

The second meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee for the FAA Noise Study took place today, April 25, 2023. The meeting was again chaired by Geoff Freeman, the Airport Manager and the HMMH team led by Project Manager Kate Larsen.

West Tisbury was well represented as a number of stakeholders, mostly from the South Shore communities of Deep Bottom Pond and Vineyard Meadow Farms were accepted onto the committee. Alan Brigish and David Rhoderick were present and others via zoom.

Representatives from the Aircraft Operators Association, FAA Tower personnel, Cape Air Station Manager and Chief Pilot and various MVY Airport employees were present.

Highlights of the second presentation:

1. HMMH showed the land use map they will be using for their studies. I reviewed, though I am not a land use person, and it looked pretty accurate for our concerns.
2. After the meeting I showed the map to Kate Larsen and the others at HMMH and described the different areas of:

Deep Bottom Pond
Vineyard Meadow Farms
Coffins Field
Long Point
Sepsiessa Point

3. **Last year there were 61% of the takeoffs that rolled down runway 24** towards the south shore and then beared right (to the west) over Deep Bottom Pond, Sepiessa Point, Plumb Bush Point and Short Cove (Arnie Fischer's place).
4. They had data going back to 2010. The modeling they will use will go from 2023 to 2028.
5. Relatively speaking they anticipate the enplanements (an enplanement is a person leaving the island on an aircraft) to be fairly static over the 2023-2028 time frame. Perhaps a few percentage points change.
6. **The week of July 10-18 will be actual noise measurement readings on island.** They are setting up 6-8 sites around the airport. I have offered our property at 194 Pond Road as a possible site. I believe Alan Brigish may have offered his too as well as some Vineyard Meadow Farms owners.
7. The study will create a Noise Exposure Map (NEM) and a Day/Night Average Sound Level (DNL) for Martha's Vineyard, which is the deliverable per the FAA Part 150 charter.

The next meeting will be in September and their goal (a hard end date) is to complete the study by December 31, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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West Tisbury Representative for MVY FAA Part 150 Noise Study

