



PASCACK VALLEY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION

February 15, 2022

TO: Teterboro Airport Noise
Abatement Advisory Committee

VIA EMAIL: tanaac@teb.com

Dear TANAAC Members:

The creation and implementation in 2021 of the RNAV RWY 19 Offset in June of 2021, has not decreased the volume of air traffic over the Pascack Valley. In fact, during the Port Authority-hosted zoom call on Tuesday February 8, the mayors on the call were told that the offset route only accounted for 0.5 percent of the arrivals passing low over our towns. Pilots have eschewed this flightpath for the usual approach further east. Mayors in the region have begun receiving complaints from residents about airplane noise during the day and throughout the night. Several residents have observed that 'something must have changed' because the noise is much louder now than it ever was.

As you well know, TANAAC was formed in 1987 to "establish a meaningful dialogue between the airport community and the residential communities. The primary goal of the committee is to work collaboratively with the airport management and Federal Aviation Administration in an effort to enhance the quality of life of the residents of local communities while ensuring the continued efficient operation of the airport." The Bylaws restrict membership to "locally elected officials representing the interest of the population that is located within the Airport Traffic Area (approximately five-mile radius of the airport)", as well as the County Executive, the US Representative for the 9th District, US Senators, and the State Senators and Assembly Representatives for Districts 36 and 38.

We would respectfully like to suggest that due to the increase to air traffic over Northern Bergen County, TANAAC members consider revising the bylaws to include representation from communities beyond the original five-mile radius that are now being directly impacted by the noise from the new flight path. Having every area Mayor clamoring for a seat at the TANAAC table would be unproductive. We think a more manageable option would be to include a representative from each of the Mayors Associations that represent a region: Pascack Valley Mayors Association, Northern Valley Mayors Association, etc.

Additionally, we respectfully request that you expand the membership to include the Congressional District 5 US Representative, and the N.J. Legislative District 39 State Senator and Assembly Representatives, who represent the interests of all the residents in these increasingly impacted areas. Having our district leaders at the table will help temper and disperse any narrow parochial pressures to which individual, local representatives may be subjected by virtue of their narrower constituencies.

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The Pascack Valley Mayor's Association represents approximately 100,000 residents living in Emerson, Hillsdale, Montvale, Old Tappan, Oradell, Park Ridge, River Vale, Washington Township, Westwood and Woodcliff Lake.

Thank you for your consideration of our principal request, that a single representative from our Association be admitted to TANAAC.

Sincerely,

Terence P. Maguire

Terry Maguire
Executive Director
Pascack Valley Mayor's Association

Danielle DePaola Mayor, Emerson	John Ruocco Mayor, Hillsdale	Michael Ghassali Mayor, Montvale	John M. Kramer Mayor, Old Tappan
Dianne Didio Mayor, Oradell	Keith Misciagna Mayor, Park Ridge	Glen Jasionowski Mayor, River Vale	Peter Calamari Mayor, Twp. Of Washington
Ray Arroyo Mayor, Westwood	Carlos Rendo Mayor, Woodcliff Lake		

cc: Kevin O'Toole, Chair, Port Authority Board of Commissioners
Gabriel Andino, Manager, TEB Noise Abatement & Environmental Compliance

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