

## Hollywood-Burbank Airport Part 150 Study

### Technical Advisory Committee Meeting #4 – Summary Report

Thursday, October 9, 2025

## I. Introduction

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) supports the Hollywood Burbank Airport Part 150 Noise Compatibility Planning Study (Study) by reviewing technical materials and providing input. The Study examines current and future aircraft noise exposure, assesses land use compatibility, and explores mitigation strategies in line with Part 150 regulations.

## II. Attendance

Attendee Names & Organizations	
<b>Technical Advisory Committee Member Attendees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>15 TAC Attendees</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Justin Kim, Federal Aviation Administration</li> <li>○ Maurice Light, Federal Aviation Administration</li> <li>○ Mark Guan, Federal Aviation Administration</li> <li>○ Joseph Slama, Atlantic Aviation</li> <li>○ James Matinas, FAR 91 Central Management Services</li> <li>○ Nirupama Stalin, Caltrans Aeronautics Division</li> <li>○ Hayden Hammer, Spirit Airlines</li> <li>○ Clark Taylor, LA County Land Use Commission</li> <li>○ Erik Felix, City of Los Angeles Planning</li> <li>○ Alexa Vasquez, City of Los Angeles Planning</li> <li>○ Zeke Wapner, City of Los Angeles Planning</li> <li>○ Daniel Villa, City of Burbank Planning</li> <li>○ Silvia Sulis, City of Burbank Planning</li> <li>○ Carl Stallone, Spirit Airlines</li> <li>○ Bill Scott, Southwest Airlines</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Study Staff Attendees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>9 Study Staff Attendees</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Aaron Galinis, Hollywood Burbank Airport Authority</li> <li>○ Maggie Martinez, Hollywood Burbank Airport Authority</li> <li>○ Gene Reindel, HMMH</li> <li>○ Mariano Sarrate, HMMH</li> <li>○ Kate Andrus, HMMH</li> <li>○ Corbett Smith, Mead &amp; Hunt</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- Ryk Dunkelberg, Mead & Hunt
- Stevie Espinoza, Arellano Associates
- Jessica Javid, Arellano Associates

### III. Meeting Overview

The Hollywood-Burbank Airport Authority held the fourth Part 150 Study Technical Advisory Committee meeting on October 9, 2025, at the Hollywood Burbank Airport Sky Room. A Zoom virtual participation option was available for those unable to attend in-person.

Gene Reindel, Principal, HMMH, led the fourth Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting for the Study. He began with an overview of the FAA's Part 150 process, explained the TAC's advisory role, and outlined how committee feedback will guide the ongoing Noise Compatibility Program (NCP) update. Ryk Dunkelberg, Regulatory Advisor, Mead & Hunt and Kate Andrus, Airport NCP Manager, Mead & Hunt, reviewed the evaluation framework for proposed NCP measures and the FAA's approval process, emphasizing how each alternative is assessed for effectiveness, feasibility, and community compatibility. Mr. Reindel presented the status of the 2016 NCP and introduced preliminary modeling results for two hypothetical noise abatement alternatives: (1) the Runway 08 Arrival Offset Approach and (2) Alternative Runway 15 Departure Procedure. He shared visuals showing modeled flight paths and updated noise contours, illustrating how residential exposure could vary under each scenario. The presentation highlighted how the offset approach could align arrivals along the existing rail corridor to help reduce noise impacts on nearby neighborhoods. Corbett Smith, Aviation Forecaster with Mead & Hunt, outlined forecast conditions for 2026 and 2031 to support the technical evaluation of future operations and land use compatibility. Ms. Andrus also summarized proposed updates to program management measures and potential land use coordination efforts.

Mr. Reindel concluded with an overview of next steps in the Part 150 process and referenced that the project team will continue refining modeled alternatives and developing recommended NCP measures for TAC review. The next TAC meeting, anticipated in early 2026, will focus on draft recommendations, evaluation of feasible abatement and mitigation strategies, and coordination on upcoming public outreach and FAA review milestones. To view the full presentation, please see Appendix A.

#### Discussion Highlights

During the discussion, committee members sought clarification on several technical and policy aspects of the Noise Compatibility Program (NCP). Questions during the discussion focused on FAA program categories, the safety and feasibility of proposed runway procedures, and the implementation of noise abatement, sound insulation, and land use strategies to support long-term planning near the airport.

## Key Themes

### **1. Clarification of Program Measure Categories**

#### **Discussion Points:**

- Participants requested clarification on how noise abatement, land use including noise mitigation, and program management measures are defined and evaluated under the Part 150 process.
- It was suggested by the FAA that “program measurement” should be referred to as “program management,” and that specific terms such as “use restrictions” should be avoided.
- Committee members emphasized the importance of consistency with FAA definitions and prior approved measures.

### **2. Evaluation of Proposed Runway Procedures**

#### **Discussion Points:**

- Several questions were raised about the safety and practicality of the proposed Runway 08 Arrival Offset Approach and Runway 15 Departure Procedure.
- Concerns included potential interference with existing air traffic patterns at Van Nuys Airport, the introduction of new noise-affected areas, and the feasibility of implementing such procedures given geographic and operational constraints.
- Members acknowledged that while modeling shows potential benefits, additional analysis will be required before determining if either alternative can advance.

### **3. Nighttime Preferential Runway Use and Aircraft Operations**

#### **Discussion Points:**

- Attendees discussed opportunities to increase nighttime preferential runway use and reviewed existing operational limitations.
- Questions were raised about the influence of nighttime flight volumes, helicopter operations, and pilot discretion in applying thrust reversers for safety.
- The group recognized the need to balance operational feasibility, safety, and community noise concerns.

### **4. Sound Insulation and Land Use Compatibility**

#### **Discussion Points:**

- Committee members requested clarification on eligibility for the sound insulation program, particularly for single- versus multi-family residences and properties that were previously treated but fall within new noise contours.
- Discussion also addressed the relationship between the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (ALUCP) and current city planning efforts, including potential updates and development restrictions in areas near Runway 33.

### **5. Coordination with Local Planning and State Housing Laws**

#### **Discussion Points:**

- Attendees discussed the challenges of aligning airport land use compatibility policies with evolving state housing mandates that allow higher-density residential development.

- Members noted the need for clear standards and coordination between local jurisdictions and airport planning documents to ensure future developments consider noise exposure thresholds.
- There was general agreement on continuing collaboration to establish consistent noise compatibility guidance for future planning and zoning updates.

## IV. Notification

TAC members were notified about the fourth meeting to encourage participation from members to attend either in-person or virtually.

Notification included the following methods:

- One Save-the-Date calendar hold
- Two Weekly Reminder E-Blasts
- One round of personalized email follow-ups with TAC members

## V. Next Steps

The fifth Technical Advisory Committee is tentatively scheduled to be held in winter 2026 and will focus on draft recommendations, detailed evaluation of feasible abatement and mitigation strategies, and FAA review milestones.

## VI. Appendix

### Appendix A

- [Presentation](#)