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Mr. Sam Carver
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Dear Mr. Carver:

Re: Noise Exposure Maps Compliance Determination
Witham Field / Martin County Airport (SUA)

This is to notify you that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has evaluated the final Noise Exposure Maps (NEMs) and supporting documentation submitted in accordance with Section 103(a)(1) of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act of 1979 (ASNA), (49 United States Code [U.S.C.] §47503). We have determined that the NEMs are in compliance with applicable requirements of Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Part 150. Further, we have determined that the maps submitted, including the existing conditions “2020 Noise Exposure Map (Map 1 of 5)” and “2025 Noise Exposure Map (Map 2 of 5)”, fulfill the requirements for current year (2021) and the future year (2026) noise exposure maps.¹

FAA's determination that the NEMs are in compliance is limited to a finding that the maps were developed in accordance with the procedures contained in Appendix A of 14 CFR Part 150. Such determination does not constitute approval of your data, information, or plans.

Should questions arise concerning the precise relationship of specific properties to noise exposure contours depicted on your NEMs, you should note that the FAA will not be involved in any way in determining the relative locations of specific properties with regard to the depicted noise exposure contours, or in interpreting the maps to resolve questions concerning, for example, which properties should be covered by the provisions of Section 107 of ASNA (49 U.S.C. §47506). These functions are inseparable from the ultimate land use control and planning responsibilities of local government. These local responsibilities are not changed in any way under Part 150 or through FAA's determination relative to your NEMs. Therefore, the responsibility for the detailed overlaying of noise exposure contours onto the maps depicting properties on the surface rests exclusively with you, the airport operator, or with those public

¹ The draft 2020 and 2025 NEMs were submitted to FAA for review in 2020. However, the review process, public involvement, and submittal and approval of the final NEMs incurred some delay during the pandemic, resulting in the submittal of the final NEMs in 2021. The Airport Sponsor has certified that the submitted NEMs reasonably represent current year (2021) activity and projected (2026) activity at the airport. The FAA independently reviewed the submitted information, and current forecasts and data for the airport, and concurred that the submitted NEMs reasonably reflect current and projected activity at the airport.

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agencies and planning agencies with which consultation is required under Section 103 of ASNA (49 U.S.C. §47503). The FAA relies on the certification by you, under 14 CFR §150.21, that the statutorily required consultation has been accomplished.

The FAA will publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing its determination on the NEMs for Witham Field / Martin County Airport.

Your local notice of this determination and the availability of the NEMs, when published at least three times in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties where affected parties are located, will satisfy the requirements of Section 107 of the ASNA Act (49 U.S.C. §47506).

Your attention is also called to the requirements of 14 CFR §150.21(d), involving the prompt preparation and submission of revisions to these maps of any actual or proposed change in the operation of Witham Field / Martin County Airport which might create any substantial, new noncompatible use in any areas depicted on the NEMs, or significant reduction in noise over noncompatible land uses that were previously included in the NEM contour.

Sincerely,

Bart Vernace, P.E.
Manager

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