

Comment Letter I84

From: Sue <suenlp@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 4:54 PM
To: LUEG, PalomarMP
Subject: Public Comment re: Palomar Airport MP

Hi,
My name is Sue Nestoff, residing at 6784 Estrella de Mar Rd. Carlsbad. My home is approximately 1.7 miles S/SE from Palomar Airport.

It has only been recently, that I found out the county is wanting to proceed with the runway lengthening of Palomar Airport. I would like to go on record that I oppose this project. I have not read the MP, but have attended the last meeting with Carlsbad city council. One of the comments stated that there will be minimal or no air quality impact. That might be true for the construction, but what about the future quality. The longer runway will accommodate bigger, louder aircraft (class C&D) and that is what scares me... in regards to pollution, noise, traffic, property values, etc. The new computer system will increase the number of planes able to take off. I remember reading in the paper a few years back (2013?) that the amount of lead exceeded limits around Palomar airport, which there are nearby parks and schools and basically offered no solution to the problem. A woman I sat next to at the council meeting said the home she rented near the airport had black soot on her windows. And someone who lived in Balboa during the John Wayne Airport expansion, also commented to me he had black soot on everything. I am afraid that Palomar will turn into another John Wayne. There has been a lot of new office building going on near the intersection of Palomar and El Camino Real, is your traffic congestion investigation include the increase traffic from these new businesses? I am also concerned about the fact the airport sits on a landfill. How much will that be disturbed? And what are any health hazards. It seems like shortly after I moved to Carlsbad, it caught on fire. Also, if the number and size of planes coming in increase, how much will my home depreciate? A lot of homes around me are valued over a million dollars.

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Airplanes in the sky, for me, is a sensitive subject, as I was living 1 mile south of the Cerritos, CA crash of an Aeromexico DC9 & a private plane in 1986. That private plane crashed in a school yard (luckily on a Sun.) The DC9 destroyed 4 homes and damaged 7, killing 15 on the ground. Also, my husband of 20 years, a pilot, died/crashed less than 2000 feet from Brackett Field Airport's runway in 2002 (defective carburetor repair in a Grumman aircraft). I am aware and grateful aircraft today is safer than it was in years past, but even today, I was sunbathing for about 50 minutes in my back yard and had 8 small planes fly over my home. Knowing that traffic will be increasing is a scary thought for me.

Thank you for listening.

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Response to Letter I84**Sue Nestoff**

I84-1 The comment asks whether future air quality conditions were analyzed. The PEIR Chapter 3.1.2 does include an analysis of potential air quality emissions resulting from the Master Plan Update. The PEIR concluded that the Master Plan Update would not result in a significant air quality impact.

The comment also references lead emissions. Please refer to **Response to Comment I48-3** regarding the EPA-initiated lead study. A discussion of this study was also included in the PEIR Chapter 3.1.2.1.

Lastly, the comment claims of soot being generated for airports. While soot is a byproduct of fuel combustion, it is considered a form of fine particulate matter, which was studied and analyzed as part of the PEIR and Air Quality Impact Technical Report. The PEIR concludes that the Master Plan Update would not result in a significant air quality impact.