

C.R.A.A.P. Report February, 2004 (Santa Monica Airport-Update)

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- **Homeowners: Sellers' disclosure of airport noise was added to California's Transfer Disclosure Statement last October in of the new law [Airport noise disclosure (AB 2776): Requires disclosure to potential buyers that a property is affected by airport noise], according to Ann Pettijohn, president of the California Association of Realtors.**
- **On the back burner: A possible opinion from the UCLA Environmental Law Clinic on whether Santa Monica has the legal right to regulate air traffic at the airport based on the amount of emissions aircraft emits.**
- **Everyone welcome: The Sub-Committee on Airport Affairs (a sub-committee of the Grass Roots Venice Neighborhood Council Conservation Committee) will meet for the third time on Tuesday February 17th, 7pm at a place yet to be determined (check the Calendar Page of jetairpollution.com for details). The Sub-Committee is working on strategies to address our neighborhood concerns regarding Santa Monica Airport.**
- **Recently founded: Concerned Residents Against Airport Pollution, covering all communities impacted by S.M. Airport pollution invites all concerned residents to sign up at to be on our [Contact List](http://jetairpollution.com) at jetairpollution.com or call (310) 479-2529.**
- **S.M. Airport Noise Management Program November and December, 2003 Reports: Jet Aircraft Operations up 38% in November from the previous year, and in December, up 13% from the previous year. The violations recorded on the two official noise monitors, for November were up from 17 to 25 from the previous year, and in December they were down from 24 to 16 from the previous year. The measurements assume the maximum level of noise occurs over the monitors. It does not account for landings and take offs that do not go over the monitors. It certainly does not include the noise that occurs anywhere away from the monitors.**
- **Request to know what becomes of the complaints that residents make to the airport: Martin Rubin, Co-Founder of Concerned Residents Against Airport Pollution, in response to questions that he gets from residents, asked the Airport Operation/Noise Abatement Supervisor on January 29th, for an official answer to several questions. These answers, he informed them, will be posted on jetairpollution.com. After a week, he is still waiting for a reply.**
- **The Feb. 2nd S.M. Airport Commission meeting: Residents expressed their concern that the City of Santa Monica is granting Commercial Operation Permits at the airport to businesses that are attractive to commuter jet traffic, i.e. film production companies, film and television development, and several limousine services.**

Under the Budget Discussion item: Residents requested that a portion of the monies collected from noise violations be set aside to be used for the sole

purpose of improving the monitoring of the environmental impacts on the communities surrounding the airport.

Consideration of various new Airport Commission Agenda Formats: This will be carried over to the February 23rd meeting. The public expressed their concern that their input might be limited and several requests were made for workshops on items of concern to residents, i.e. noise and emissions.

Last two items on the agenda: Due to a 10:00pm closing of the Ken Edwards Center, the items on: Discussion of Procedures Regarding the Processing of Public Request for Information Concerning Aircraft Operations, and the item on Legislative and Regulatory Update were rushed through.

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