



## MSP NOISE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE 2022 NOC WORK PLAN



### **1. Residential Noise Mitigation Program**

- a) Review Residential Noise Mitigation Program Implementation Status

Description: Staff from MAC Airport Development will update the NOC on the current Mitigation Program.

### **2. MSP Community Relations Specific Efforts**

- a) 2021 Actual Noise Contour Report and the Consent Decree Noise Mitigation Program Eligibility

Description: Each year in March, under the terms and conditions of the amended 2007 Consent Decree, MAC publishes an Annual Contour Report for the previous year. Staff will provide an update on the Contour Report and mitigation efforts underway in support of the Amended Consent Decree program.

- b) MSP Fleet Mix and Nighttime Operations Assessment

Description: MSP is federally obligated to stay open 24 hours per day. Recognizing the impacts of nighttime operations, the NOC regularly assesses nighttime trends in airport operations. This is an annual assessment reviewing actual and scheduled nighttime operations at MSP.

- c) MSP Annual Aircraft Noise Complaint Data Assessment

Description: Complaints are one of the tools the MAC uses to communicate with the community about aircraft activity and report to the NOC about concerns received from airport neighbors. This annual assessment reviews MSP complaints and households filing complaints.

- d) Status of FAA Center of Excellence/ASCENT, TRB, and FICAN Research Initiatives

Description: This is an annual report on the status of scientific, engineering, and medical research literature prepared by universities, governmental organizations, and transportation boards located within the United States.

PARTNER – Partnership for AiR Transportation Noise and Emissions Reduction

TRB – Transportation Research Board, which manages Airports Cooperative Research Program (ACRP)

## FICAN – Federal Interagency Committee on Aviation Noise

### e) Update on Converging Runway Operations at MSP

Description: The FAA began applying new CRO mitigation strategies for both parallel runways in March 2016. The FAA will provide updates on this topic throughout 2022.

### f) Update on the MSP Long Term Plan Update and Associated Stakeholder Engagement

Description: The MAC is currently preparing the 2040 Long-Term Plan. Throughout 2022, the MAC will provide regular updates to the NOC on the progress of the LTP and associated stakeholder engagement.

### g) Update on the FAA's Neighborhood Environmental Survey

Description: In 2021, the FAA released a summary of the research programs it sponsors on civil aircraft noise that could potentially inform future aircraft noise policy. The agency is assessing the survey results to determine if changes to the federal noise measurement methods and/or compatible land use considerations are warranted. The NOC will receive updates on this process as developments are made.

### h) Update on Eagan Request to FAA

Description: In September 2019, the City of Eagan requested NOC endorse numerous proposed flight procedure changes to the MAC Board and FAA. These changes were intended to reduce aircraft departure overflights in the City of Eagan. Throughout 2020, the NOC, MAC and FAA reviewed the procedure adjustments, moving one forward for FAA feasibility and safety assessment. In September 2020, the FAA communicated to the MAC and the NOC that the agency may be able to implement the request, but this effort was temporarily paused because the lower flight traffic levels during the COVID-19 pandemic did not offer the FAA an opportunity to test the procedure request. The NOC will receive updates on this process as developments are made.

### i) Guest Speaker: Brian Ryks, MAC Executive Director / CEO

Description: NOC will receive an update on the MAC organization, recent accolades, trends in passengers and operations, and future development at MSP in addition to other pertinent topics.

### j) MSP Air Service Updates

Description: The COVID-19 pandemic has substantially impacted activity at MSP. Passenger levels and associated aircraft takeoffs and landings have been depressed below normal levels since late March 2020. In 2022, MSP airline representatives and MAC will provide an update about future airline schedules.

k) VOR-MON

Description: In 2020, the FAA presented to the NOC information about the nationwide VOR Minimum Operational Network (MON) program. The FAA will be invited to provide an update on the status of the regional VOR network set for decommissioning, the proposed timeline for these activities, and the potential impact to airport operations at MSP.

l) Guest Speaker: 109<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron, Minnesota Air National Guard

Description: NOC will invite a member of the Minnesota Air National Guard to discuss their operation at MSP and provide insight into the ANG activities.

**3. Continue to Review Input Received from the NOC Listening Sessions as Possible Agenda and Work Plan Items**