



Saint Paul Downtown Airport (STP) Annual Sound Study Report

2026

Community Relations Office

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1.0 Introduction

The Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) has completed an Annual Sound Study related to St. Paul Downtown Airport (STP) flight activity since 2007. Each Study assesses sound data associated with aircraft operating to and from STP in accordance with the St. Paul Downtown Airport Advisory Council (DAAC) Work Plan and the Supplemental Conditions of Agreement (MAC action taken on June 19, 2006) related to the flood protection project at STP. A core element of the flood protection plan was the construction of the flood wall at STP in 2009 to mitigate flood events that historically have required the airport to close. A copy of the Supplemental Conditions of Agreement is provided in Appendix A.4.

The 2026 STP Annual Sound Study was conducted exclusively utilizing the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Aviation Environmental Design Tool (AEDT) modeling software. Previous studies involved deploying six mobile sound measurement devices to collect actual single-event sounds from aircraft as they operated to and from STP. However, during the DAAC meeting on April 18, 2023, DAAC members determined and recommended to the MAC that future STP sound studies only utilize the federal standard modeling software and process for assessing aircraft sound, foregoing the deployment of sound level meters for the annual study beginning in 2023. This decision was based on the ability of AEDT to provide more robust analysis and expanded sound data coverage compared to the limited capabilities of six mobile sound measurement devices.

The 2026 STP Annual Sound Study was conducted from August 16 to August 22, 2026. The sections below describe the STP runway use, aircraft operations, weather, AEDT modeling data and analysis, and a summary of aircraft noise complaints received during the study period. A glossary of terms is available in Appendix A.5 to help the reader understand the study and findings.

2.0 Operations

STP is a general aviation, public-use airport owned and operated by the MAC. The airport is a primary reliever airport for Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP) and accommodates aircraft for personal use, recreational, business, utility, general aviation, air taxi, flight training and military aircraft operations. The aircraft operating at the airport currently include single and multi-engine propeller-driven aircraft, business jet aircraft, and helicopters.

There are three runways available for use at STP: Runway 14/32, Runway 13/31, and Runway 9/27. Helicopters may land and depart from areas other than a runway. The airport is open for aircraft operations 24 hours per day; however, FAA Air Traffic Controllers (ATC) are on site to help direct aircraft operations during the busiest operational periods. ATC directed aircraft into and out of STP between 6:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. during weekdays (Monday through Friday) and between 7:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. on weekend days (Saturday and Sunday) during the study period. Outside of these hours, a common traffic advisory frequency was used by pilots to coordinate their arrivals and departures safely.

According to FAA aircraft monthly operation counts for STP, the three-year average for 2023, 2024 and 2025 shows 3,972 average monthly operations, with 897 flights using the airport during an average week when the Air Traffic Control Tower is staffed. As reported by the FAA, there were 3,694 STP flight operations in

August 2026 with 943 occurring during the 2026 study period¹. The level of these operations is 9 percent higher compared with operations during the previous study period in May 2025.

Repetitive touch and go operations may generate multiple operations during a single flight as pilots practice their takeoffs and landings for proficiency or to fulfill currency requirements for their pilot license. It is normal and expected that the airport will be busier in the spring and summer months at STP as weather conditions promote increased flight training and recreational flying. As such, the STP Annual Sound Study is conducted during this time of year to capture as much aircraft activity as possible.

The MAC Noise and Operations Monitoring System (MACNOMS) collects and reports flight track data. Until recently, MACNOMS counted an operation only when a flight arrived at the airport or departed from the airport. This means that a single flight that included numerous consecutive takeoffs and landings would only be counted for its initial takeoff and its final landing. While the process for counting MACNOMS operations has improved over time, discrepancies remain between FAA reported operations and MACNOMS. During the 2026 study period, MACNOMS data show 614 total operations at STP with 308 arrivals and 306 departures. Table 2.1 shows the number of operations on each STP runway per day. The highest levels of STP runway use occurred on Runway 32 with 238 arrivals and 241 departures.

Table 2.1: STP Aircraft Activity per Runway during the Study Period								
Runway	Aug-16	Aug-17	Aug-18	Aug-19	Aug-20	Aug-21	Aug-22	Runway Total
Arrivals								
9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
13	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	1
14	1		2	6	38	--	2	49
27	--	3	4	1	--	6	--	14
31	--	--	--	--	--	6	--	6
32	36	24	50	53	2	44	29	238
Departures								
9	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	2
13	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
14	1	3	--	7	33	--	--	44
27	--	1	2	2	2	5	1	13
31	--	--	--	--	--	6	--	6
32	33	25	55	53	2	45	28	241
Daily Total	71	57	113	122	79	112	60	614

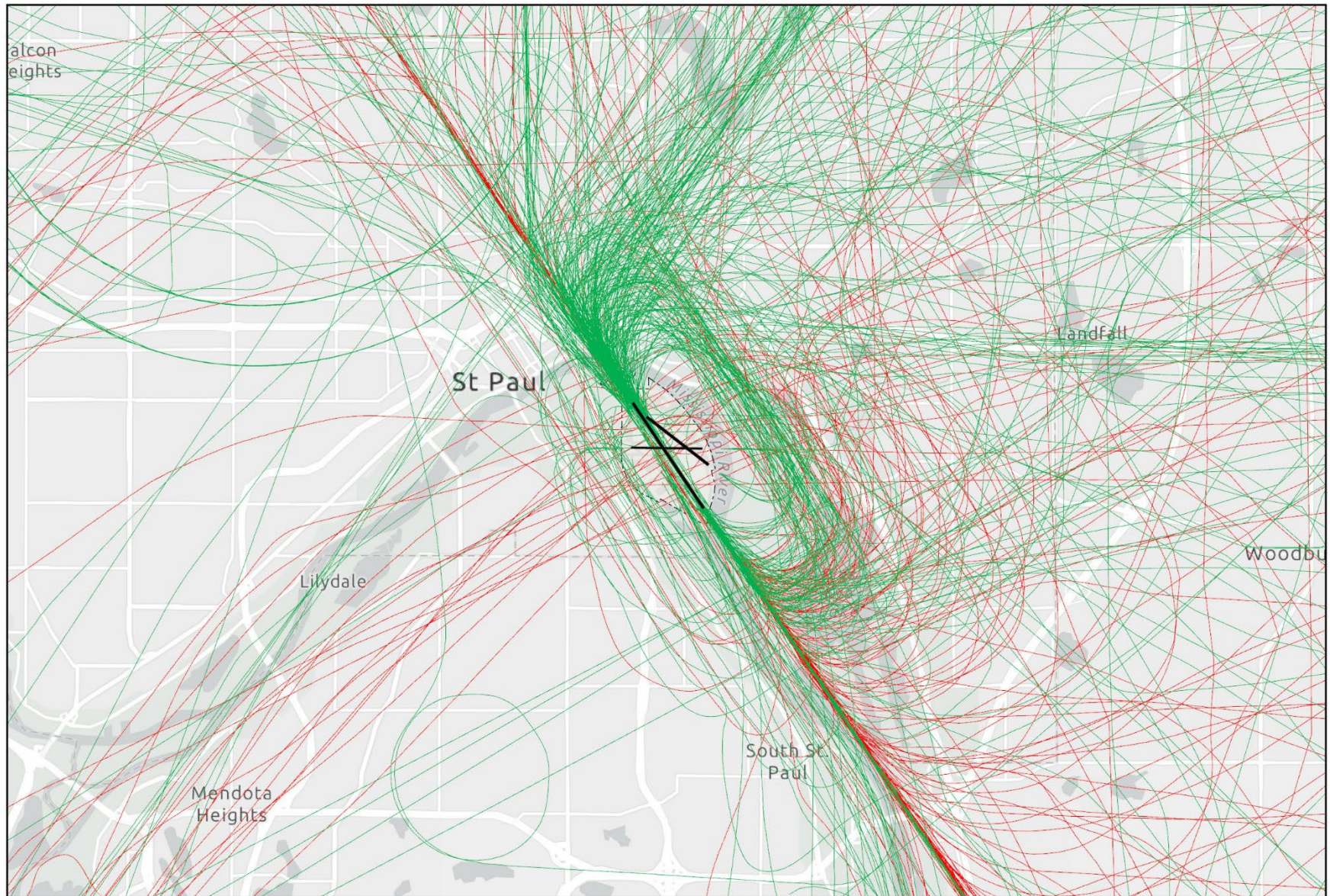
Runway 14/32 was used for 93 percent of the activity during the study period; Runway 13/31 was used 2 percent and Runway 9/27 was used 5 percent. Figure 2.1 shows the STP flight tracks for daytime operations.

¹ "Air Traffic Activity System (ATADS)." *Federal Aviation Administration*, U.S. Department of Transportation, <https://aspm.faa.gov/opsnet/sys/>. Accessed 19 October 2026.

There were 39 flights that operated between the hours of 10:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M.; of those flights 22 were arrivals and 17 were departures. Figure 2.2 depicts STP nighttime activity during the study period.

Weather during the study week was desirable for flying with typical summer wind and temperature patterns, and very little precipitation occurred. Weather conditions (e.g., temperature, precipitation, wind, etc.) affect airport activity, runway use decisions and aircraft performance. In addition to operational factors, weather conditions can also affect the way sound is transmitted and observed. As such, weather data are documented during the study period and a summary of daily weather conditions is available in Appendix A.2.

Figure 2.1: STP Daytime (7:00 A.M to 10:00 P.M.) Operations During Study Period



- STP Property Boundary
- Arrival Tracks
- Departure Tracks

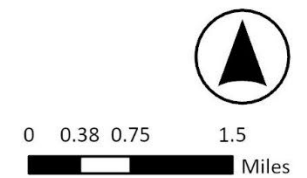
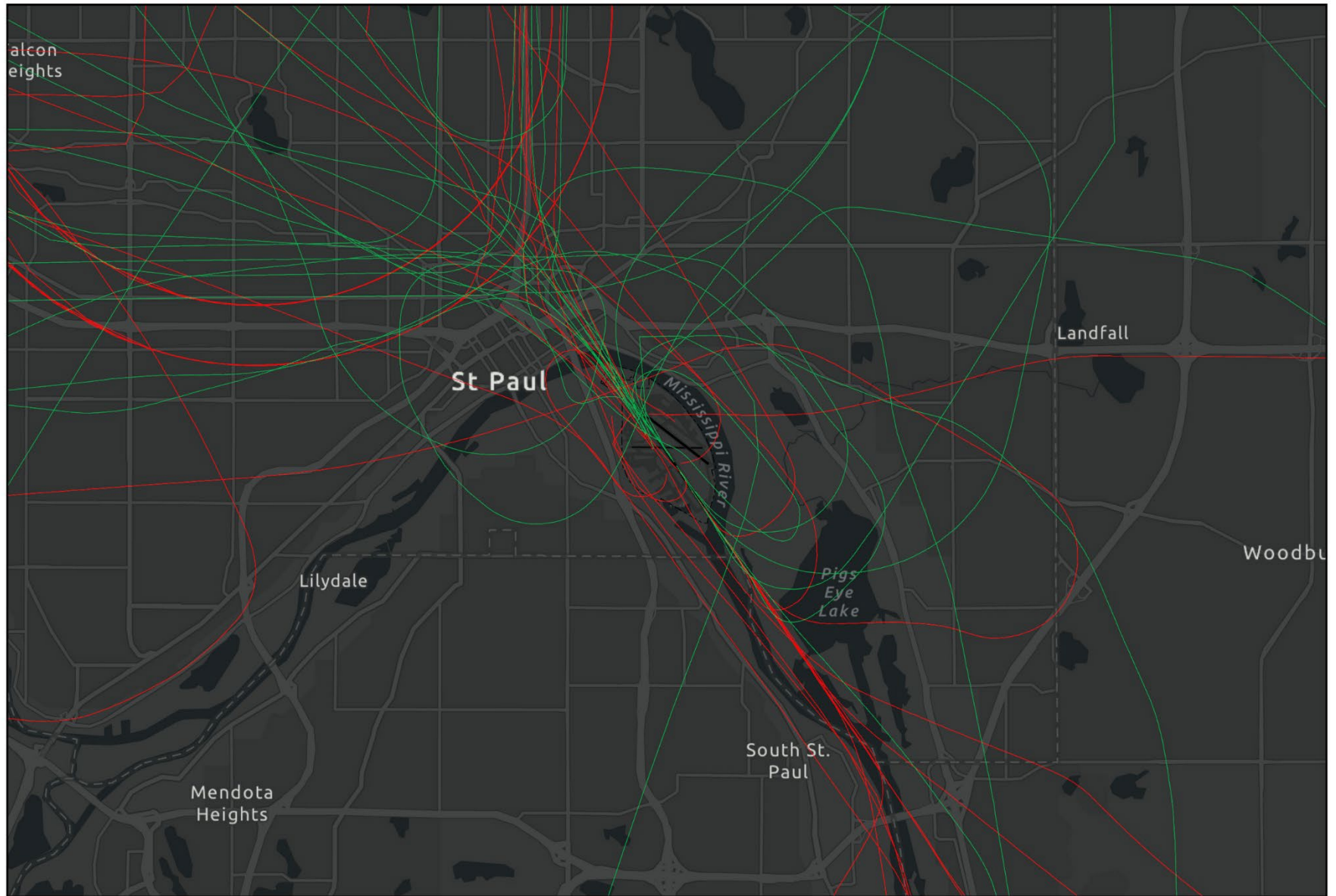
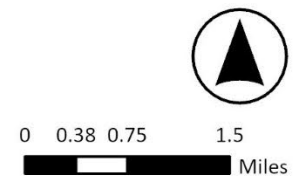


Figure 2.2: STP Nighttime (10:00 PM to 7:00 AM) Operations During Study Period



- STP Property Boundary
- Arrival Tracks
- Departure Tracks



3.0 Sound Modeling

Since 2007, annual sound analyses have been conducted for six sites where mobile sound measurement equipment were positioned in coordination with DAAC District Council memberships. A map of all St. Paul Districts is provided in Appendix A.3. The mobile sound measurement sites were positioned in the same or similar locations each year as much as possible to assist with comparing results. Figure 3.1 shows a map of the historical mobile equipment placement locations from previous studies for reference.

The 2026 STP Annual Sound Study period is August 16 – 22, 2026. As determined by the DAAC in April 2023, data collection for this study did not include physical placement of mobile measurement equipment as used in previous STP sound studies. The 2026 Study only utilizes the federal process and AEDT software for the assessment of aircraft activity and sound levels.

Specifically, STP aircraft activity during the study period was modeled using AEDT, Version 4a. Study period inputs to AEDT include types of aircraft operating, weather conditions, runway use as well as local terrain information. Based on aircraft types, AEDT makes assumptions about aircraft performance, flap configurations, engine settings, and weight. AEDT uses standard aircraft thrust settings, standard departure climb-rates as well as standard arrival descent rates, which may not represent actual flight operating characteristics. Additionally, certificated sound data are available for many aircraft types in the model, however all aircraft operating at STP are not available in the software. In those situations, modeling requires aircraft substitutions be used to represent missing aircraft types.

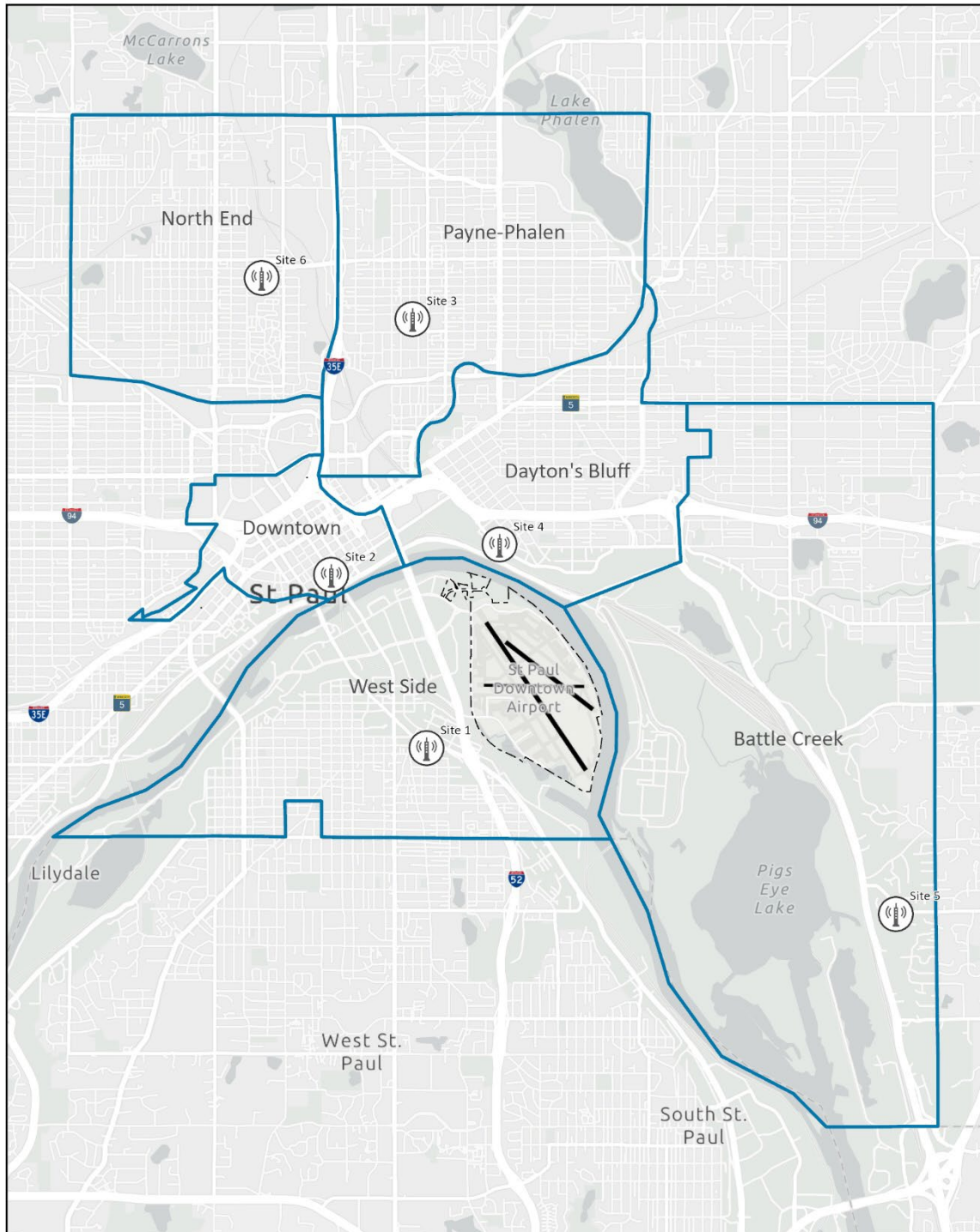
The AEDT model can produce various sounds metrics. Two metric options available are the Number Above Noise Level and the Time Above Noise Level. For this analysis, MAC staff evaluated the number of operations at or above 65 dBA at a specific grid point and their duration.

This modeled sound analysis depicts aircraft sound events from actual aircraft activity at STP from August 16, 2026 through August 22, 2026 using model inputs such as runway use, aircraft fleet mix, aircraft performance and thrust settings, topography, and atmospheric conditions. The study utilized MACNOMS fleet and runway use information. MACNOMS aircraft operations counts were adjusted up to equal the 943 operations reported by the FAA Operational Network (OPSNET) database during the study period, which counts touch-and-go as two operations including one arrival and one departure.

Quantifying aircraft-specific sound characteristics in AEDT is accomplished using a comprehensive database developed by the FAA under 14 CFR Part 36. As part of the airworthiness certification process, aircraft manufacturers are required to subject aircraft to extensive sound testing. Using federally-adopted and endorsed algorithms, this aircraft-specific sound information is used in the generation of model outputs. Justification for such an approach is rooted in national standardization of sound quantification at airports. Appendix A.1 includes the fleet mix and Appendix A.2 includes weather data utilized in the AEDT model for this analysis.

AEDT uses a grid pattern of individual sound measurement points, known as receptors, and calculates sound at each of these points. The grid pattern for this study included 22,500 unique points spaced 0.1 nautical miles apart for a range of 15 miles.

Figure 3.1: Measurement Locations Used in Previous Studies*



--- STP Property Boundary

🔊 Measurement Locations

▭ St. Paul Neighborhood DACC District Councils



0 0.25 0.5 1
Miles

*Note: Field locations were not used to collect sound measurements during the 2025 STP Annual Study assessment. Instead, the federally-approved AEDT noise model was used to assess noise across 22,500 receptor points.

Additionally, AEDT uses standard weather inputs that are typically available for a study comprising a full year of data. For this study, standard weather inputs were changed to represent the average weather conditions for the seven-day study period. These inputs are available in Appendix A.2.

Figure 3.2 shows the modeled grid points by average number of events per day during the study period. Grid points with the highest number of events per day are located within STP airport property.

Table 3.1 below provides the total number of aircraft sound events above 65 dBA modeled at each historic field measurement location during the Study period. The table also provides the number of modeled sounds events above 65 dBA correlated to aircraft that were previously modeled during other study periods for comparison.

Table 3.1 Modeled Number Above 65 dBA Sound Levels during Study Period							
Site	Aug 2020	Aug 2021	Aug 2022	Aug 2023	Aug 2024	May 2025	Aug 2026
1	13	22	100	64	22	15	45
2	88	67	134	131	109	73	187
3	70	48	77	79	97	41	112
4	32	25	59	53	18	28	115
5	92	121	107	97	70	109	51
6	62	147	117	100	91	88	73

Table 3.2 below provides the total amount of time aircraft sound levels were above 65 dBA modeled to occur at each historic measurement location. The table also provides the total modeled time above 65 dBA correlated to aircraft modeled during other study periods for comparison.

Table 3.2 Modeled Time Above 65 dBA Sound Levels (min) during Study Period							
Site	Aug 2020	Aug 2021	Aug 2022	Aug 2023	Aug 2024	May 2025	Aug 2026
1	1.8	2.3	10.0	6.0	3.8	2.4	3
2	18.6	8.8	19.2	21.0	24.2	14.1	41
3	22.7	9.8	16.9	19.4	19.4	8	25
4	6.5	4.8	10.9	7.6	5.5	5.3	25
5	19.3	24.7	24.7	21.1	14.1	23.6	11
6	14.7	34.3	25.1	23.5	20.4	20.7	17

Figure 3.3 shows the modeled grid points by average time spent above 65 dBA per day during the study period.

Figure 3.2: Number of Events Above 65 dBA per Day

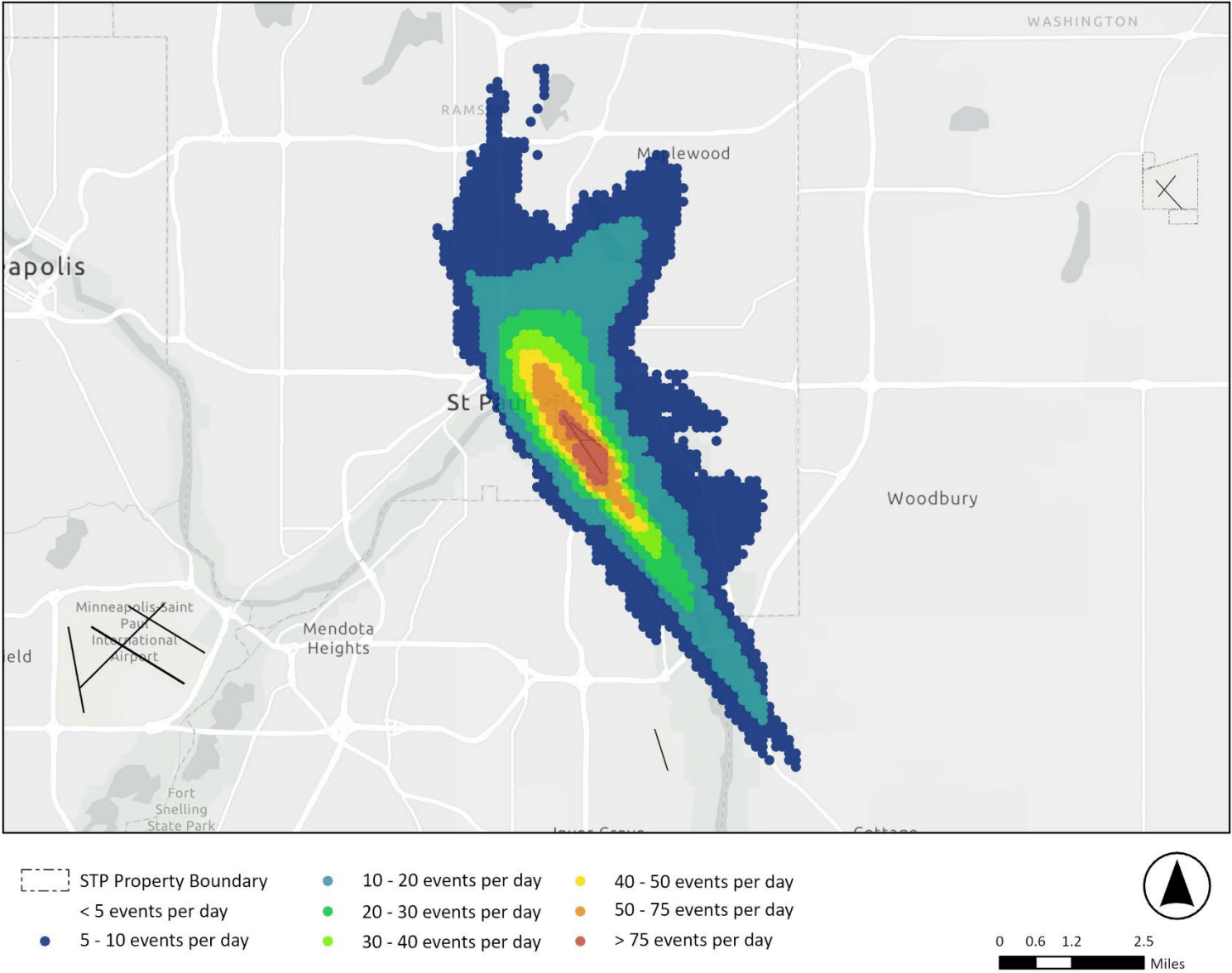
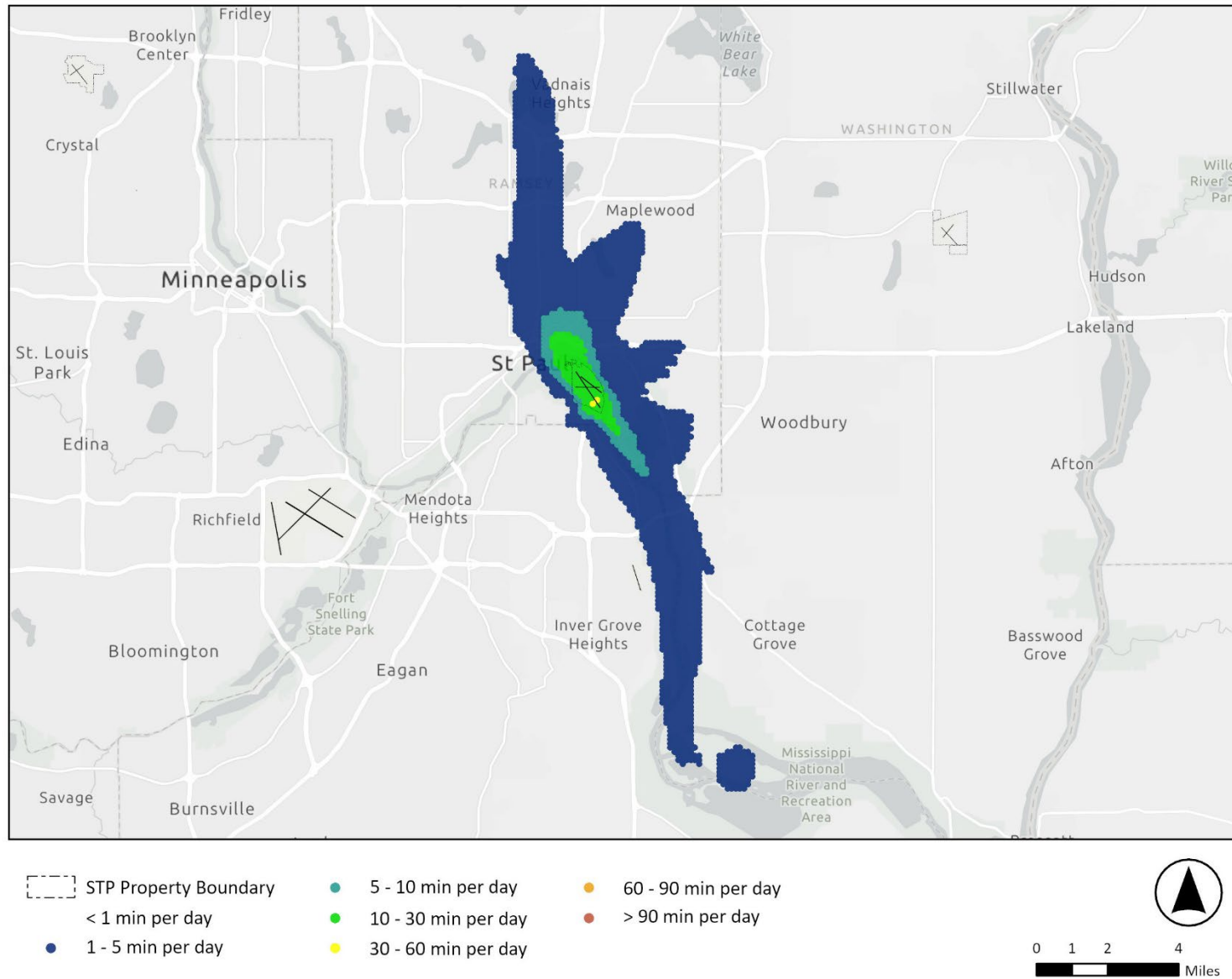


Figure 3.3: Time Above 65 dBA (minutes per day)



4.0 Noise Complaints

During the 2026 study period, two complaints were received from two locations outside of the City of Saint Paul. Zero complaints were received during nighttime hours, between 10:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M. Table 4.1 illustrates the complaints with correlated operations by aircraft type. Jet and piston aircraft generated one complaint each.

Table 4.1 2026 Study Period Complaints and Operations		
Aircraft Type	Operations	Complaints
Helicopter	98	
Jet	106	1
Piston	352	1
Turboprop	45	
Unknown	13	
Total	614	2

Source: MACNOMS

Appendix

A.1 Modeled Aircraft Distribution

Aircraft Type	Arrival		Departure		Total
	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Aeronca Model 7 Champion	20.1	--	20.1	--	40.1
Ayres S2R-T34 Turbo-Thrush	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Beechcraft Beechjet 400	5.2	1.7	5.2	--	12.1
Beechcraft Model 200 (Super) King Air 200	15.2	--	12.4	--	27.6
Beechcraft Model 35 Bonanza	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Beechcraft Model 76 Duchess	4.9	--	4.9	--	9.7
Beechcraft Model 90 King Air	4.7	--	4.4	--	9.1
Beechcraft Super King Air 350/300B	--	--	1.4	--	1.4
Bell Helicopter 407	13.5	10.0	16.9	6.4	46.9
Bombardier Challenger 300	--	--	4.1	--	4.1
Bombardier Challenger 350	4.1	--	--	--	4.1
Bombardier CRJ 200 Regional Jet	3.1	1.7	3.4	--	8.3
Canadair Bombardier CL600/610 Challenger Twin Jet	2.8	--	2.8	--	5.6
Cessna 150 Single Engine SEPF	11.5	--	10.1	1.4	22.9
Cessna 152 Single Engine SEPF	--	--	1.4	--	1.4
Cessna 172 Single Engine SEPF	86.9	1.3	84.7	4.0	176.9
Cessna 175 Skylark	1.7	--	1.7	--	3.4
Cessna 177 Cardinal	--	--	2.1	--	2.1
Cessna 180 Skywagon	2.0	--	2.0	--	4.0
Cessna 182 R	--	--	1.7	--	1.7
Cessna 182 Skylane	22.4	--	21.9	--	44.3
Cessna 206 Stationair	3.4	--	3.4	--	6.8
Cessna 206 Stationair Turbo	1.3	--	1.3	--	2.5
Cessna 310 Twin Engine Piston aircraft	15.0	--	15.0	--	29.9

Aircraft Type	Arrival		Departure		Total
	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Cessna 560 Citation V, Ultra & Ultra Encore	3.4	--	4.8	--	8.2
Cessna 560XL Citation Excel	9.3	--	7.2	--	16.6
Cessna 680 Citation Sovereign	6.2	--	5.5	--	11.7
Cessna 750 series/Citation X	4.4	--	1.3	1.4	7.0
Cessna Citation 550 Citation II	--	--	1.4	--	1.4
Cessna Citation 550 Citation II Bravo	1.4	--	--	--	1.4
Cessna Citation CJ1, 525	5.2	--	5.1	--	10.2
Cessna Citation CJ2, 525A	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Cessna Citation CJ3, 525B	2.7	--	2.7	--	5.3
Cessna Citation CJ4, 525C	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Cessna Citation Latitude	7.4	--	5.9	1.4	14.7
Cessna Citation Longitude	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Cirrus SR20	4.7	--	4.7	--	9.4
Cirrus SR22	17.2	6.6	18.3	6.2	48.3
Cirrus SR22 Turbo	6.0	--	7.3	--	13.3
Cirrus Vision SF50	5.2	--	5.3	--	10.5
Dassault Falcon 2000	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Dassault Falcon 50	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Dassault Falcon 7X	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Dassault Falcon 900	--	--	4.1	--	4.1
Embraer EMB550 Phenom 300/Legacy 500	10.0	--	8.2	--	18.1
Embraer Legacy 545	2.0	--	2.0	--	4.0
Epic Aircraft LT Dynasty	3.8	--	3.5	--	7.2
ErCoupe	1.7	--	3.1		4.8
Eurocopter EC-135 COM & MIL	--	1.7	--	1.7	3.4
Eurocopter EC-145	--	1.7	--	--	1.7
Gulfstream G150	3.5	--	1.4	--	4.8

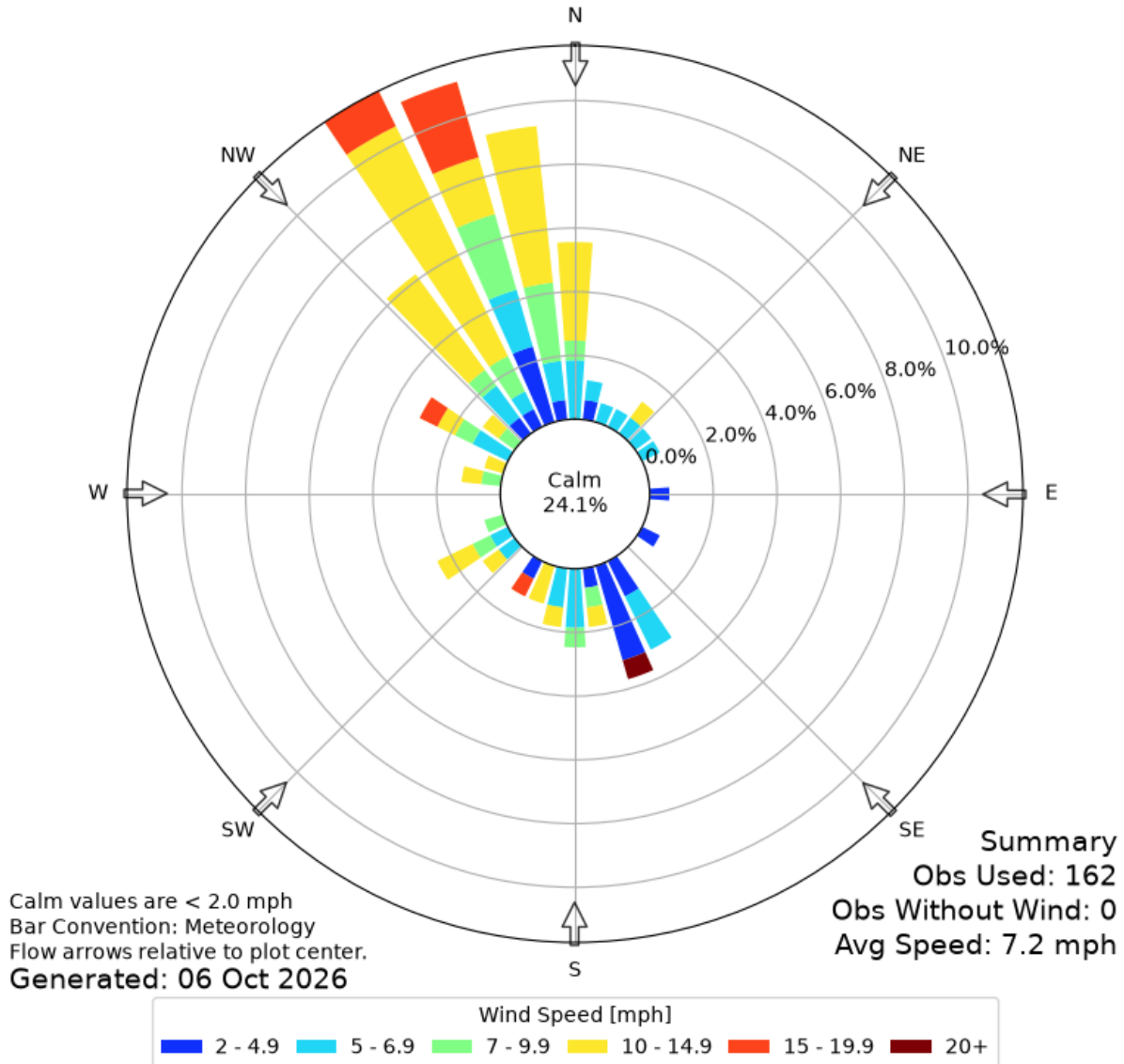
Aircraft Type	Arrival		Departure		Total
	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Gulfstream G200	6.2	--	1.4	--	7.6
Gulfstream G500/600	1.3	--	2.0	--	3.3
Gulfstream V	--	--	2.1	--	2.1
Hawker 800/800 XP/850 XP Twin Turbojet/Bae 125-800	1.7	--	1.7	--	3.4
Honda Jet	2.1	--	2.1	--	4.1
Kodiak K100	12.8	1.4	12.8	3.5	30.4
Kodiak Quest Single Engine Turboprop	--	--	1.4	--	1.4
Learjet 31	2.0	--	2.0	--	4.0
Pilatus PC-24	1.4	--	1.4	--	2.8
Piper PA-28-140/150/160/180 Cherokee	26.2	--	24.2	--	50.4
Piper PA-28RT-201T Turbo Arrow 4	4.5	--	4.5	--	9.0
Piper PA-44 Seminole	4.2	--	5.6	--	9.8
Piper PA-46 Malibu	1.3	--	1.4	--	2.7
Piper PA-46-500TP Malibu Meridian	1.7	--	1.7	--	3.4
Rockwell Commander 114	--	--	2.1	--	2.1
Sikorsky UH-60 Black Hawk Helicopter	41.3	8.0	42.5	--	91.8
Van's Aircraft RV-12	8.9	--	8.9	--	17.8
Van's Aircraft RV-6	1.7	--	1.7	--	3.4
Grand Total	440.0	34.0	442.9	26.1	943

Source: MACNOMS data and HNTB Analysis, 2026. Totals are subject to rounding offsets.

A.2 STP Weather Details



Windrose Plot for [STP] ST. PAUL
Obs Between: 16 Aug 2026 12:53 AM - 22 Aug 2026 11:53 PM America/Chicago



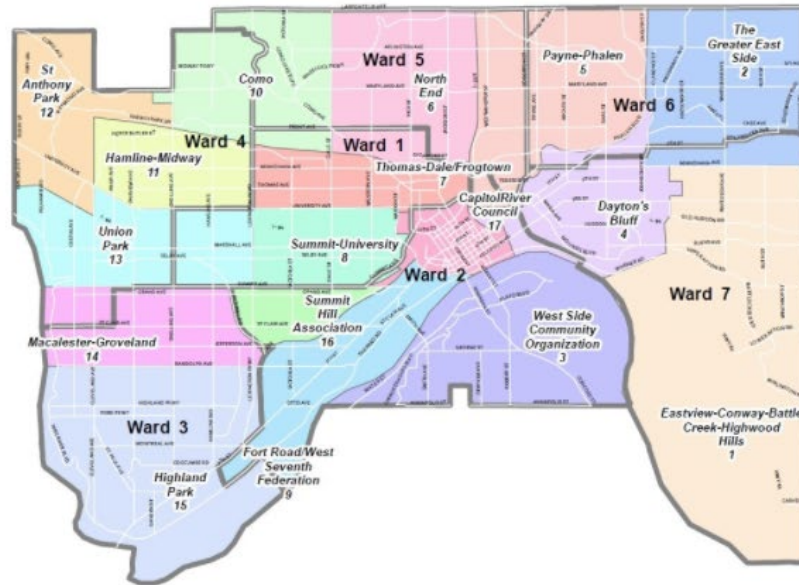
Source: [Mesonet Iowa State](#)

2026 Model Weather Inputs	
Average Temp (F)	72
Average Wind Speed (mph)	7
Average Dew Point (F)	57
Average Sea Level Pressure (in)	29.24

Source: [Weather Underground](#)

A.3 St. Paul District Council Map and Details

District Council Directory



District	Neighborhood	District Council
1	Eastview - Conway - Battle Creek - Highwood Hills	District 1 Community Council
2	Greater East Side	District 2 Community Council
3	West Side	West Side Community Organization
4	Dayton's Bluff	Dayton's Bluff Community Council
5	Payne-Phalen	Payne Phalen Community Council
6	North End	North End Neighborhood Organization
7	Thomas-Dale/Frogtown	Frogtown Neighborhood Association
8	Summit-University	Summit-University Community Council
9	West 7th/Fort Road	Fort Road Federation
10	Como	District 10 Como Community Council
11	Hamline-Midway	Hamline Midway Coalition
12	St. Anthony Park	St. Anthony Park Community Council
13	Union Park	Union Park District Council
14	Macalaster-Groveland	Macalester Groveland Community Council
15	Highland	Highland District Council
16	Summit Hill	Summit Hill Association
17	Downtown	Capitol River Council

Source: [St. Paul District Council Directory](#)

A.4 Supplemental Conditions of Agreement



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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On June 19, 2006 the following action took place at the Metropolitan Airports Commission full Commission meeting regarding the St. Paul Downtown Airport – Flood Protection Update:

COMMISSIONER MARS MOVED AND COMMISSIONER LANNERS SECONDED TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FOR THE PROJECT IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FROM \$28.5 MILLION TO \$29.3 MILLION AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO INCLUDE THE CONDITIONS THAT WERE PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE IN THE ZONING APPLICATION WHEN RESUBMITTED TO THE CITY. FURTHER THAT STAFF WORK WITH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTIES THAT WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT FROM THE FLOOD PROTECTION PROJECT TO RAISE REVENUES TO OFFSET THE COST INCREASE.

The Motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Commissioners: Berman, Boivin, Harris, Landy, Lanners, Mars, McGee, Rehkamp, Sigel, Warner, Williams and Chair McKasy

Absent: Commissioners Foley and Stenerson

Sallye Douma, Commission Secretary

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FD&E Committee – Item 8

Runway Length MAC will not take any action to increase the length of the runways at the Airport in excess of the current length, unless required to do so by State law, provided that MAC will not initiate, promote or otherwise support enactment of such law.

Pavement Strength MAC will not take any action to increase the Runway Pavement Weight-Bearing Capacity at the Airport beyond the maximum presently available, unless required to do so by State law, provided that MAC will not initiate, promote or otherwise support enactment of such law.

Cargo Operations MAC represents that, based on operational and space limitations, major air cargo transfer/sortation operations (such as Federal Express, UPS and other similar companies) are not able to use the Airport, nor will MAC take action to accommodate such activity.

Airport Noise Abatement Plan MAC will, in consultation and collaboration with the City and other interested parties (agreed to by MAC and the City), immediately initiate an update of the St. Paul Downtown Airport Noise Abatement Plan to include the following elements:

- Use of the runways at the Airport.
- Appropriate flight tracks for aircraft arriving at, or departing from, the Airport.
- Voluntary restraint on night-time aircraft operations and recommended procedures for any such operations that must occur.
- Voluntary restraint on night-time aircraft engine runups.
- Implementation of a pilot/FBO information and education program designed to inform Airport Users and Fixed Base operators of the elements contained in the Noise Abatement Plan.
- Completion of an annual study of aircraft noise in the areas surrounding the Airport.
- Incorporation of limitations regarding runway length, runway strength and cargo operations.
- Public Input.

As necessary, MAC will seek Federal Aviation Administration approval of the updated noise abatement plan. MAC shall use its best efforts to secure federal approval of the plan or any portion of the proposed plan.

Endangered/Threatened Species MAC will coordinate with the City of St. Paul and other appropriate agencies to complete an updated survey of threatened/endangered species within the project area.

Vegetation/Revegetation Plan MAC will coordinate with the City of St. Paul and other interested parties to review and make recommendations regarding a vegetation/revegetation plan for the project area. MAC will implement these recommendations if they are determined to be compatible with Airport operations.

Treatment of Contaminated Soils MAC will complete additional soil sampling and testing in the area proposed for compensatory excavation, including testing for PAH's and inorganics. MAC will also monitor excavated material from the compensatory excavation per a Testing and Disposal Plan. Any contaminated soils will be properly disposed of in a licensed facility approved for such disposal.

Stormwater Discharge MAC will complete a sampling/testing protocol for subdrain discharge, as may be required by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

A.5 Glossary

Aircraft Operation

Aircraft arriving or departing from STP, or an aircraft that performed both an arrival and departure (touch and go).

Air Traffic Control (ATC)

Air Traffic Control (ATC) is an FAA service that directs aircraft on the ground and through a given section of controlled airspace and can provide advisory services to aircraft in non-controlled airspace.

Aviation Environmental Design Tool (AEDT) modeling software

The Aviation Environmental Design Tool (AEDT) is a software system that models aircraft performance in space and time to estimate fuel consumption, emissions, noise, and air quality consequences.

A-Weighting

A-Weighting is a standard filter used by acoustic measurement devices and can be applied to acoustic measurements. It is frequency filter that attempts to emulate the way humans hear.

Day-Night Level (DNL)

The FAA established DNL as the primary metric for aircraft noise analysis and expressing aircraft noise exposure in the United States. "DNL" is the acronym for Day-Night Average Sound Level, which represents the total accumulation of all sound energy, with a 10-decibel penalty applied for each sound event between 10:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M. DNL has been widely accepted as the best available method to describe aircraft noise exposure and is the industry standard for use in aircraft noise exposure analyses and noise compatibility planning. It also has been identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as the principal metric for airport noise analyses.

Decibel (dB/dBA)

Sound levels are measured in Decibels, a logarithmic scale of energy referenced to human hearing. Sound levels are reported in dB; dBA is the Decibel value after the A-Weighting filter is applied.

Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA)

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is federal agency with the sole regulatory authority over aviation in the United States, including airports, pilots, airspace, flight procedures, and aircraft.

LA_{max} (Maximum A-weighted Sound Level)

This is maximum A-Weighted Sound Level observed for the period, event, or interval of interest.

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)

The Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) is the airport authority that owns and operates the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP) and six general aviation airports in the Twin Cities region.

MACNOMS™ (MAC Noise and Operations Monitoring System)

MAC Noise and Operations Monitoring System (MACNOMS) includes data collection, data processing, data analysis and publication, and community tools for accessing data. The MACNOMS data collection, processing and analysis and reporting tools are made up of customized software programs and instruments that provide system flexibility to conduct detailed analyses and reporting of aircraft operations and associated noise collects and reports flight track, sound and complaint data.

Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP)

The Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP), also less commonly known as Wold-Chamberlain Field, is a joint civil-military public-use international airport located in Fort Snelling Unorganized Territory, Minnesota, United States.

Number Above

The "Number Above", also referred to as N-level sound metric or Count Above, is the total number of aircraft sound events that exceeded a specified sound level threshold (LA_{max}). This report contains a count of modeled departure events and arrival events when the maximum sound level of those events exceeds 65 dBA.

Saint Paul Downtown Airport - Holman Field (STP)

The Saint Paul Downtown Airport - Holman Field, is a public airport in the City of Saint Paul, County of Ramsey, State of Minnesota.

Saint Paul Downtown Airport Advisory Council (DAAC)

The DAAC was established to further the general welfare of the community and the Saint Paul Downtown Airport - Holman Field through minimizing or resolving problems created by the operation of the airport and aircraft. is comprised of appointed STP airport users and community representatives who reside in the districts surrounding STP.

Time Above

The "Time Above" noise metric measures the total time or percentage of time that the A-weighted aircraft noise level exceeds an indicated level. Time Above data are summarized for arrival and departure events based on one-second intervals.



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