# **MEMO:**

To: Community Members, Board of Directors, ACAT and Staff From: Michael Cooke, Aviation & Community Service Manager

Subject: Community Comments & Operations Report- 1st Quarter 2014

Date: April 14, 2014

Be advised that the totals in the 'Operations-Type' column are not a true sum of each type for Q1 2014. In the Q1 2014 report staff created estimations of operations based on WASP system operational status. There was significant data loss in Q1 2014 due to degraded system components which are scheduled for service in April. Estimations of downtime were cross referenced against fuel sales and MLAT data. Flights not captured with the use of WASP or MLAT flight tracking data are touch and go operations and itinerant helicopters.

With respect to touch and go operations, staff applied an accepted, previously used, numerical multiplier for estimation purposes (15%). An example of possible outcomes is listed below.

Period	Quarterly Reported Operations without touch & go	Multiplier	Final quarterly reported operations
Q1 2014	3710	.15	4267

The multiplier is an estimation from reported rental aircraft hours from aircraft located on the field. One hour of rental time averaged 3 touch and go operations which are 6 operations for reporting purposes. The average annual hours flown for the aircraft were 563 for the past six years. There are no itinerant touch and go operations or itinerant helicopter operations included in this multiplier equation.

Basis: 563 hours X 6 operations = 3378 annual touch & go operations. Multiplier basis by operations tempo within the season. (Opinion)

Staff processed no cancellations of voluntary Fly Quiet Incentives due to violations. One operation after 11 PM and before 6 AM was captured in Q1 of 2014 which generated one comment.

## **Beyond the comments**

In Q1 2014 Northstar comment volume rose significantly. 50% of the total comments came from Northstar and of those, 60% came from 1 household, focusing primarily on jet traffic during the late mornings. Staff has reached out to the individual. Olympic Heights comments rose as well and were spread among piston, turbo-prop and jet aircraft. Comments from Olympics Heights occurred significantly more in the afternoons and generally focused on departures from 29.

Tahoe Donner, and Martis Valley Estates saw significant decreases in comments from the same period last year. All other neighborhoods remained the same from the prior year's Q1. Generally excellent flying weather prevailed for most of Q1, but a lack of snowfall may help to explain the overall decrease in total operations. The warmer temps may offer some insight to the operations per

comment ratio decline since the warmer days were more conducive to outdoor pursuits when compared to prior years. The lower number of operations per comment are more typical of warmer months. Where possible staff has reached out to pilots, operators and community.

# Comments by Operation Q1 2014

- ✓ Departures generated 6 comments
- ✓ Arrivals generated 13 comments
- ✓ Touch and Go operations generated 2 comments
- ✓ Unknown operations generated 1 comments

### Track Data for Q1 2014

18 flight tracks were correlated to 22 comments.

1	Turboprop Departure from 29	Compliant/Ordinary
2	Jet Departure late night from 29	Not Compliant
3	Jet Arrival for runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
4	Piston Arrival 29	No Data
5	Jet Arrival for runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
6	Jet Arrival for runway 29	Complaint/Ordinary
7	Turboprop Arrival for runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
8	Unknown	No Data
9	Jet Arrival for runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
10	Jet Arrival for runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
11	Jet Arrival for runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
12	Jet Arrival for runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
13	Jet Departure from runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
14	Jet Departure from runway 29	Not Compliant
15	Jet Departure from runway 29	Compliant/Ordinary
16	Jet Arrival for runway 29 *same op as #17	Not Compliant
17	Jet Arrival for runway 29 *same op as #16	Not Compliant
18	Turboprop T&G runway 29 (Military C130)	Compliant/Ordinary
19	Turboprop Departure from 29	Compliant/Ordinary
20	Arrival (based on caller evaluation)	No Data
21	Piston T&G 29	Not Compliant
22	Arrival (based on caller evaluation)	No Data

This section is intended to illustrate the quality of compliance with our local noise abatement procedures and commonly accepted practices as outlined in the Federal Aviation Regulations and the Aeronautical Information Manual. Some opinion is required to complete this assessment. Many factors contribute to the selected flight path and altitude of an aircraft while arriving and departing the airfield. Also note that weather has not been overlaid onto any graphics. It is not the intention of staff to place judgment on the condition or quality of the pilotage rather to loosely quantify the quality of compliance to local noise abatement procedures.

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	Jan-13	Jan-14	% Change Feb-13	Feb-13	Feb-14	% Change Mar-13		Mar-14 9	% Change	1Q 2013	1Q 2014	1Q 2014	LYTD	YTD	% Change
Comments- Location															
Alder	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Donner Lake	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Downtown	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Gateway	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Glenshire	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	2	2	%0	2	2	%0	2	2	%0
Martis Valley Estates	0	0	N/A	-	0	-100%	4	-	-75%	5	_	-80%	2	-	%08-
Northstar/ Martis	0	4	N/A	0	9	100%	0	1	100%	0	11	100%	0	11	N/A
Olympic Heights	1	1	%0	0	3	100%	2	3	20%	3	7	133%	3	7	133%
Ponderosa	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Prosser	0	0	N/A	0	1	100%	1	0	-100%	1	1	%0	1	1	%0
Tahoe Donner	2	0	-100%	2	0	-100%	2	0	-100%	9	0	-100%	9	0	-100%
Unknown/Other	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
TOTAL	3	2	%29	3	10	233%	11	7	-36%	17	22	76%	17	22	29%
Operations- Type															
Piston Single	729	832	14%	729	432	-41%	649	304	-53%	2107	1568	-56%	2107	1568	-26%
Piston Twin	98	140	63%	116	72	-38%	06	80	-11%	292	292	%0	292	292	%0
Turbo Prop	328	392	20%	300	260	-13%	254	220	-13%	882	872	-1%	882	872	-1%
Jet <12,499 lbs	98	168	%26	88	132	20%	62	64	3%	236	364	54%	236	364	54%
Jet 12,499-19,999 lbs	62	88	42%	78	92	-3%	64	28	%99-	204	192	%9-	204	192	%9-
Jet > 20,000 lbs	74	100	32%	82	80	-5%	82	40	-51%	238	220	%8-	238	220	-8%
Helicopter	138	64	-54%	102	72	-29%	96	99	-31%	336	202	-40%	336	202	-40%
Powered Aircraft Subtotal	1503	1784	19%	1495	1124	-25%	1297	802	-38%	4295	4267	-1%	4295	4267	-1%
Gliders	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
TOTAL	1503	1784	19%	1495		-25%	1297	802	-38%	4295	4267	-1%	4295	4267	-1%
*Estimated WASP system downtime of 50%, multiplier of 2 used	downtim	e of 50%	, multiplier	of 2 use		to calculate all op	operations	totals ex	except rotorcraft	craft					
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Comments- Type															
Piston	1	1	%0	1	_	%0	9	1	-83%	8	3	-63%	8	3	-63%
Turbine	0	1	N/A	0	1	N/A	2	2	%0	2	4	100%	2	4	100%
Jet	1	3	200%	2	7	250%	3	2	-33%	9	12	100%	9	12	100%
Helo	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Unknown	1	0	-100%	0	1	N/A	0	2	N/A	1	3	200%	1	3	200%
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Ops/Comment	201	357	29%	498	112	-11%	118	115	-3%	253	194	-53%	253	194	-23%

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