

October 17, 2017

Truckee Tahoe Airport District  
Attn: Board of Directors  
10356 Truckee Airport Road  
Truckee, CA 96161

RE: Temporary Seasonal Control Tower

Dear Board Members:

This letter is in response to a call I received recently regarding a survey that was being performed on the Temporary Seasonal Control Tower that was installed this past summer. I actually was out of town and received a voice message regarding this issue. When I got home I returned the call and was told I missed the deadline for the survey, however I was encouraged to come to the October 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting for Public Comment. Well unfortunately I am unable to attend this meeting so I am sending this letter in hopes that you will read my letter during Public Comment at your Board Meeting.

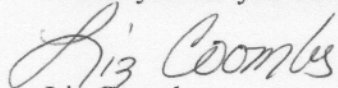
My family has lived in the Prosser Lake Heights Subdivision on Barnes Drive, overlooking the Martis Valley since 1999. Unfortunately we have seen such a drastic change in the air traffic in the 18 years we have lived on Barnes Drive. What used to be a quiet peaceful subdivision is now constantly being inundated with jet noise. This Summer in fact we had a jet come in for a landing so low over our subdivision, that when I called and complained the guy who returned my call said that they received many calls from our area regarding this plane and many people were very upset. He indicated that the pilot's decent and approach from the North placed the aircraft very low and close to the houses, that it would have been better to use a different approach and that they were going to contact the pilot. This happened with the Temporary Seasonal Control Tower in place.

Back in the day when Prosser Lake Heights Subdivision was created, I am not even sure the airport was even in its current location. There were not then and there is not now any disclosures in any CCR's to property owners in the Prosser Lake Heights subdivision about being in any flight path. So I often think how sad it is that people and their jets can be allowed to ruin this beautiful area. They fly into Truckee when just 35 to 40 minutes away there is an International Airport that has been designed for jets. Something is wrong with that, instead of trying to preserve this beautiful mountain community, the airport is catering to these people and their jets. This is wrong.

A couple of days ago I was home working in my yard and it was amazing, it was quiet, there were no jets, yes, it is Fall. It was so peaceful! I haven't experienced that peacefulness in along time and I know sadly it will be very short lived.

I have been told many times over the years by airport staff to please call when you have a noise complaint, we want to know about it. So I continue to call when a jet is definitely to low, to loud, but I often think what is the point, they really don't care anyway, I am just wasting my time. But then I think well maybe they do care. So you tell me, do you really care? I would love to have all you Board Members come sit on my deck in Prosser Lake Heights some nice Summer day so you can enjoy the beautiful view, I like to see you try to have a conversation when a jet goes over our house. Maybe then you would understand. Having the Temporary Tower this summer did not make any difference; those pilots still flew their jets right over the houses in our subdivision, not very often did I see any of them using the published Noise Abatement Procedures.

Thank you for you time.



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