FLIGHTSEEING NOISE STUDY

PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, July 27, 2000 7-9 p.m., Centennial Hall

The City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) is commissioning a flightseeing noise study to gather scientific data on the level, location, and effects of flightseeing noise on the community. BridgeNet International, an acoustical engineering firm, will conduct the baseline noise measurements and the analysis, which is the first of its kind undertaken by the CBJ.

The foundation of a successful study is the accurate measurement and prediction of the ambient and flightseeing noise environment in a way that can be correlated with community response to sound from existing and potential flightseeing activities. Public involvement in the study will be a two-way educational process. The consultant will discuss with the public the study methodology and alternative methods of evaluating impacts of aircraft noise on daily life, as well as the information a noise study can provide.

The community will assist in the methodology design by providing information on factors that are important in terms of noise impacts to their environment such as time of day, number and duration and location of flights, and type of activity interference. In addition, the consultant requests input from the community regarding prime locations for sound monitoring, as well as the number of monitoring sites. To this end, a facilitated public meeting will be held on the following evening:

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The consultant will finalize the study methodology after receiving input from the community and the CBJ. The study will be conducted over the summer months, with a second public meeting to be held on September 21st to present the study results and information on mitigation options to the community.

Please plan to participate in the public meetings!