





### SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT

## Monthly Noise Impact Report October 2021





# **October 2021 - Noise Impact Report**

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# **October 2021 – Flight Operations**

Total (	Total Operations For October 2021: 5521 (▲69)						Commercial Operations For October 2021: 1225 (▼126)						)	
	Total Arrivals: 2511							Commercial Arrivals: 612						
Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	33R		Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	
Total:	516	1608	364	12	0	11		Total:	178	434	0	0	0	
Last Month:	969	1076	378	16	0	5		Last Month:	344	332	0	0	0	
Monthly Change:	▼ 453	▲ 532	▼ 14	▼ 4	0	▲ 6	1 [	Monthly Change:	▼ 166	▲ 102	0	0	0	
3 Month Trend	1	$\langle$	/	$\langle$				3 Month Trend	$\langle $	$\langle \rangle$				
	Tot	tal Depar	tures: 30	10				Commercial Departures: 613						
Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	33R		Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	
Total:	398	1637	883	66	5	21		Total:	147	466	0	0	0	
Last Month:	906	1160	875	57	1	9	] [	Last Month:	338	337	0	0	0	
Monthly Change:	▼ 508	<b>477</b>	▲ 8	<b>▲</b> 9	<b>4</b>	<b>▲</b> 12		Monthly Change:	▼ 191	<b>▲</b> 129	0	0	0	
3 Month Trend	1	$\sim$	/	_		/		3 Month Trend	$\langle$	$\sim$				

- Commercial operations shifting more to runway 25 due to favorable weather
- Summer travel routes coming to an end, resulting in less commercial operations





# **October 2021 – Flight Operations**

Private Jet Operations For October 2021: 1197 (▲133)									
	Private Jet Charter Arrivals: 550								
Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	33R			
Total:	129	405	10	1	0	5			
Last Month:	253	238	5	1	0	3			
Monthly Change:	▼ 124	<b>▲</b> 167	▲ 5	0	0	▲ 2			
3 Month Trend	(	$\langle$				$\searrow$			
	Private J	et Charte	r Departı	ures: 647					
Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	33R			
Total:	102	426	102	15	0	2			
Last Month:	213	257	80	14	0	0			
Monthly Change:	▼ 111	▲ 169	▲ 22	<b>1</b>	0	▲ 2			
3 Month Trend		$\left\langle \right\rangle$							

General Aviation Operations For October 2021: 3099 (▲62)									
	General Aviation Arrivals: 1349								
Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	33R			
Total:	209	769	354	11	0	6			
Last Month:	372	506	373	15	0	2			
Monthly Change:	▼ 163	▲ 263	▼ 19	▼ 4	0	<b>4</b>			
3 Month Trend	$\langle$	$\rangle$	/	$\langle$		/			
	General .	Aviation	Departur	es: 1750					
Runway:	7	25	15L	15R	33L	33R			
Total:	149	745	781	51	5	19			
Last Month:	355	566	795	43	1	9			
Monthly Change:	▼ 206	<b>▲</b> 179	▼ 14	▲ 8	<b>4</b>	<b>▲</b> 10			
3 Month Trend	<	$\geq$	/	$\langle \rangle$		1			



# **October 2021 - Arrival Flight Activity**

#### **Commercial Arrival Operations: 612**

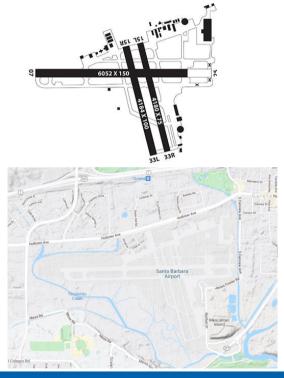
• Runway 7 – 178 (29.1%)

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- Runway 25 434 (70.9%)
  - Voluntary Noise Abatement Approach (VNAA) Adherence
    - 254 (58.6%) of 434 flights adhered with the VNAA, ATC Instructions
    - 180 (41.4%) of 434 flights did not adhere to the VNAA (Slide 8 for external factors)

#### **General Aviation & Private Charter Arrival Operations: 1,899**

- Runway 15L 364 (17.8.%) Runway 33R 11 (.5%)
- Runway 15R 12 (.6%) Runway 33L 0 (0%)
- Runway 7 338 (17.8%)
- Runway 25 1174 (61.8%)
  - Voluntary Noise Abatement Approach (VNAA) Adherence RWY 25
    - 901 (77%) of 1174 flights adhered with the VNAA, ATC Instructions, flew quiet
    - 270 (23%) of 1174 flights did not adhere to the VNAA (Slide 8 for external factors)

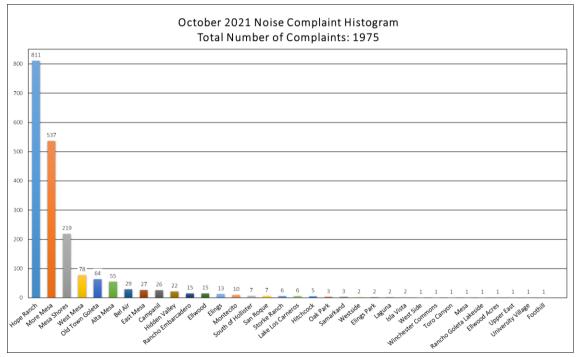








## **October 2021 - Noise Complaints by Neighborhood**









# **October 2021 - Noise Complaint Summary**

Monthly Total of All Noise Complaints Received		Number of Households Submitting Complaints (Based on Address)		Flights requiring followup		8	GA and Private Jet flights requiring followup		Airline flights requiring followup	
1975	1975		122		407		270		137	
	Complai	nts Submitted	Neighborhoo	d			Community	Comp	laints Submitted	
Household 1:		344	More Mesa				Hope Ranch		811	
Household 2:		160	Mesa Shores			More Mesa		537		
Household 3:		134	Hope Ranch				Mesa Shores	219		
Household 4:		129	More Mesa				West Mesa		78	
Household 5:		98	Hope Ranch			Old Town Goleta			64	
Household 6:		62	Hope Ranch				Alta Mesa		55	
Household 7:		60	Old Town Gol	eta			Bel Air		29	
Household 8:		57	Hope Ranch				East Mesa		27	
Household 9:		52	Hope Ranch				Campanil		26	
Household 10:		51	Mesa Shores				Hidden Valley		22	
Total Complain	Total Complaints Submitted: 1147 Out of 1975				]	Т	otal Complaints Subm	itted: 1	868 out of 1975	

- 58% of complaints were submitted from 10 residences
- 42% of complaints were submitted from 112 residences



## **October 2021 Noise Complaints – Trends**

		2019	2020	2021	
Total	October:	1458	340	1975	
Complaints	September:	1324	281	1864	
Received	August:	1003	272	3228	
Letters of	October:	229	90	407	
Followup	September:	196	60	314	
	August:	138	45	394	

- There was a significant increase in noise-related complaints year over year for the month of October:
  - 612 complaints (31% of total) are attributed to 270 private & charter flights that did not adhere to the VNAA
  - 648 complaints (33% of total) are attributed to 137 commercial aircraft that did not adhere to the VNAA
  - 715 complaints (36% of total) are attributed to 483 flights that adhered to the VNAA and/or Air Traffic Control Instruction.
  - Some flights that did not adhere to the VNAA did not generate complaints
  - Complaints are the result of the following factors:
    - Aircraft operations recovering to 2019 levels after an unprecedented fall-off in 2020 due to COVID restrictions
    - Small group of community members sending in repeated complaints 10 households represent 58% of total complaints
    - Continued community organizing around the issue 112 households representing 42% of total complaints



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# **Noise Complaint Process**

- Complaints are received by various methods: Voicemail Noise Hotline, Online Submission Form, Direct Contact
- Complaints are correlated to corresponding flights by actual location from submitter and by time of submission.
- The flight tracks to these correlated flights are analyzed to see whether they flew the Voluntary Noise Abatement Approach (VNAA), or other external factors existed that prevented the VNAA from being followed
- Common External Safety Facts and Factors:
  - According to the FAA: Descent and Landing phase of flights account for 47% of total accidents, and 22.7% fatal accidents.<sup>1</sup>

Air Traffic Control	Inclement Weather Effects	Pilot Factors
Instrument Departure Procedures	Cloud Coverage (Overcast, Fog, Low Level Ceiling)	Pilot in Command: Final authority for safety of flight
Instrument Arrival Procedures	Wind Direction (Takeoffs and Landings into the wind)	Ability to make stabilized approach
Traffic Sequencing and Spacing	Airspeed (Cross wind stability / Stall speeds)	Training flight requirements
Traffic Pattern Operations	Altitude (Low level Wind shear, Stabilized Approach)	Familiarity with local procedures

1. United States. Federal Aviation Administration. (2009). Risk Management Handbook. U.S. Dept. of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration.

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# **Noise Complaint Process – Cont'd**

- After analyzing the flight track with the location, date and time, a response is entered into the complaint with the result.
- If a complaint that is correlated to a flight track that did not fly the Voluntary Noise Abatement Approach and could have with respect to external factors, a response is entered into the complaint "Aircraft operator to receive letter of advisement."
- Each of these aircraft operators are sent a letter from the Santa Barbara Airport with educational information about the Santa Barbara Airport Voluntary Noise Abatement Approach, and information relating operations at Santa Barbara Airport.
  - Letters are sent to airlines
  - Letters are sent to corporate and charter jet operators
  - Letters are sent to private aircraft operators



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