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Community Work Group Authorized to Engage FAA Regarding Dulles Airport Noise

With the goal of engaging the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regarding noise experienced by communities west of Dulles International Airport, the Board of Supervisors, during its October 3, 2023, meeting, authorized plans to assemble a work group representing communities in that part of Loudoun.

The move comes in response to residents' concerns about noise, particularly those residents whose homes are in areas nearest to the airport's only east-west runway. Following the <u>January 17</u>, <u>2023</u>, <u>approval of a new Airport Impact Overlay District</u>, which affects how properties within it can be developed, the Board voted to engage the FAA to better understand future options available to address community concerns about airplane noise.

As proposed, the work group would include ten members who represent the areas west of the airport based on a combination of geography and community affiliation. Vianair, a consultant hired by the county to assist with FAA engagement, has advised that creating the work group demonstrates the county's level of interest and improves the chances of that engagement.

Next, staff members will reach out to the communities to identify representation for the group so that Vianair can begin its work with them by January.

More Information

For more information about the Airport Impact Overlay District and to sign up for email and text updates, visit <u>loudoun.gov/airportdistrict</u>.