

Please copy me on this master plan and other relevant documents so that I can review everything for myself, and so that my questions and concerns are based in first-hand facts, rather than hear-say.

Please contact me personally to discuss this master plan further, and to enter my questions and concerns into the official record.

Please pro-actively contact me regarding any future meetings on the topic of the TTN airport expansion/improvements topic.

Thank You.

- PCF

Patricia C. Fletcher

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Advocate for at-risk and under-served youth everywhere.

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Bryan Goodrich

From: Anthony Ross <aross81@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 12:16 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport Master Plan for TTN

Hello,

We received fliers in the mail from anti-airport activists recently, trying to stir-up animus and angst toward our airport. The flier egregiously incites the reader to call the noise complaint hotline for the airport as often as possible ("the more complaints the better") and bombard your address of Urban Engineers with written complaints.

These activists (as usual) are in a tirade over nothing! We live right alongside TTN, the runways are behind our house. We have NO issue with this airport, we look at the airport as a **very good neighbor**. There is no disturbance of peace, and no quality of life issues from it. Our house doesn't shake, there is no vibration or rattling windows. The flier states we are getting "increased noise and emissions pollution and have a tremendous environmental impact". Delusion. Show me proof of that statement.

Even outside, where we spend much time, there is no noticeable issue. This isn't 1970 with smoky 707's and 727's that would make your ears bleed when they went by. The planes today are quite, and clean. The biggest plane is the commercial French Airbus 320 from Frontier, and that is just a faint whoosh in the background that lasts about 3 seconds on take-off,

and virtually no noise at all on landing.

This airport is an ASSET to our community, and we value it's existence and location. We want to see it thrive, and feel it does not impair our property values at all, and probably helps if anything. I could walk to my airport and fly to Florida today if it wanted to, how convenient is that? This airport is an economic asset to our area too.

The train that is many miles away makes much more noise, and lasts seemingly 20 minutes. No activists are in a tizzy about that. Liberals adore trains though, trains emulate Europe. I suggest informing the anti-airport activists that the biggest (and meanest!, scariest!) plane at TTN is made in their sainted France! Maybe that will help disarm their apoplectic hatred for the airport.

Regards, AR-
908-329-7774

Bryan Goodrich

From: Olympia Grivas <olympiag@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 5:42 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

The proposed expansion destroys our quality of life, in a community. The promise of cheap flights does not justify the daily grind of hundreds of loud commercial jets flying over our homes, day after day after day.

Olympia Grivas
53 E. College Avenue
Yardley Pa 19067

Bryan Goodrich

From: Nancy <nrauscher@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:40 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

I would like to enter a protest against the expansion of the airport. I live in lower Makefield Township Pennsylvania. Additional flights will create more noise and lower property values. Thank you.
Sent from my iPhone

Bryan Goodrich

From: Kathy Hunt <kathdh6289@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 5:02 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

I am not in favor of airport expansion. Enough planes in our neighborhood now. Very annoying trying to have a conversation especially in summer months. Thank you Kathy Hunt from Houston Rd. in Yardley

Bryan Goodrich

From: Maggy Robinson <maggyrobinson@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 11:39 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

As a 37 year resident of Lower Makefield Township and the president of AOY Art Center on Patterson Farm, I am against the expansion of the Trenton Airport.

We run a camp during the summer months and now have the intrusion of low flying planes directly over the property. And, four days ago around noon, I was trying to have a conversation in the open air as two planes flew over about 15 minutes apart. They are really low and really loud.

Maggy G Robinson
549 Kings Rd.
Yardley, PA 19067

Bryan Goodrich

From: william hogan <whoganb@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 10:59 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

Dear Trenton Master Airport Expansion,

I am against the Master Plan Airport Expansion.

Of course you will say the expansion will be small and before we know it air traffic will fill the Metro-Trenton area with noise, pollution and environmental damage.

I live in Lower Bucks County (Morrisville area) and we are experiencing a bit of plane noise at this time, but with expansion we will be inundated with more and more sound damage and much more.

I employe the TMAE committee to vote against expansion.

Bill and Susan Hogan
80 Big Oak Road
Lower Makefield, PA 19067

Bryan Goodrich

From: Jim Lindner <lindnerjt@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 12:52 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

We live in Lower Makefield and are on the landing and take off paths for the airport. Although aircraft traffic has increased since we moved in it has remained tolerable with the number of flights being limited.

We are very concerned that our quality of life would be diminished with the planned airport expansion and request that this not be done. Please remain a good neighbor to us and others with our situation

Bryan Goodrich

From: Jennifer <erickjen4213@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 3:37 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

Please please , do not allow the expansion of the airport! The noise would be unbearable. Along with increased pollution, and traffic. Please Sent from my iPad

Bryan Goodrich

From: Daniel Swantko <danielswantko@rocketmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 12:38 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

To whom it my concern:

As a taxpayer in bucks county i am VERY displeased with the strong arm tactics of the mercer county airport to ram through their expansion plans with no consideration for the home owners on the other side of the river. i already have more than enough air traffic over my house and in some case's causing property damage to trees due to low flying aircraft, devaluing my property and ultimately making it impossible to sell my home eventually based on your future plans for your own personal greed,. At the very least Mercer County Airport should be paying for my property taxes the way it is at the current rate of air traffic let alone an expansion
Cease Desist IMMEDIATELY your Invasion of my right to peace and tranquility in Pennsylvania.

Daniel D. Swantko
1413 N river rd
Yardley pa

Bryan Goodrich

From: Amy Mendelssohn <amendelson@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 11:07 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport expansion

As a resident of yardley I oppose the expansion of the airport. The noise interferes with the quality of living here and reduces the value of my home.

Amy mendelson
1400 silo road
Yardley pa

Sent from my iPhone

Bryan Goodrich

From: Judith Hoechner <jhoechner@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:58 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport master plan- Trenton Mercer

Trenton Mercer airport shouldn't be flying the commercial jets they currently do so they certainly should not increase their capability to allow more flights. The airport was a very small airport as the housing developments were built under the flight path over the last 35 years. The small, non commercial plane flights co-existed with the development without causing harm. Before the large, commercial flights like Frontier Airlines and Allegiant Air were allowed to fly out of Mercer, there should have been a review to see if the area was now too densely populated to start these heavily intrusive flights. The answer would have been Yes, the planes fly too low and are too loud over thousands of people, especially in Pennsylvania.

It seems, that the airport management is aware that the increase in operations should have long ago had an unbiased environmental review of its impact on the surrounding area. At a public meeting, airport manager Melissa Montgomery stated that the airport is increasing with small projects to stay "under the radar so as not to trigger an EIS". All these many changes were constantly expanding the airport by increasing its flight capabilities.

I ask that the FAA not approve these plans to increase Trenton Mercer's ability to add further commercial plane flights and I ask that an EIS be conducted to measure the impact all of the changes at the airport since 1969 when the NEPA ruling was made law.

Sincerely,

Judith Hoechner

1406 Silo Road

Yardley, PA 19067

Bryan Goodrich

From: Gabriele, Frank <fgabriele@winthropresources.com>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 12:24 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport upgrades

To whom it may concern:

The presence of TTN is a blessing for our local area. Benefits far outweigh concerns, even and especially if the terminal is improved. As a passenger, it's imperfect but very workable in the current form. Exposure to rain and snow is a small nuisance.

Thanks,
Frank Gabriele
Winthrop Resources Corp.
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Bryan Goodrich

From: BURG INS AGENCY INSURANCE AGY <burgagency@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 9:59 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Airport

I am a resident of 6 Olivia Dr., Yardley PA in the Pine Brook Farms section. I have concerns with the flights that fly over my home and I have noticed since I moved in the year of 2000 that the flights are more frequent and the planes are bigger. My house actually shakes sometimes when a plane goes over. My other concern is what if something happens and a plane crashes or loses a part and falls on my home. Will you compensate us residents for insurance because most homeowners policies exclude planes? Also, when and if I decide to sell my home, this is not a good selling factor . Please consider not expanding to more flights for the sake of all of us residents who love our neighborhood and she pride in our homes which we have worked so hard to obtain .
Sincerely, Frances Haney Kruzinski
Sent from XFINITY Connect Mobile App

Bryan Goodrich

From: Jodie McVan <mcvanjodie@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 4:17 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Attn: Trenton Master Plan: Comment

Hello,

I would like to express my opinion on the Trenton-Mercer Airport expansion. I am AGAINST IT! I live in Yardley at 1357 N River Rd. We purchased our home in 2013 when there was minimal activity. Over the last few years we raised our home and invested all of our money into a location and home that we love. In the last 2 years, flights over our house have increased dramatically and impacted our quality of life and investment.

When we sit outside we literally have to stop our conversations. On Memorial Day we had a picnic, that was all but ruined, the flights were so frequent, and loud, that guests left. At more than one point there were 3 landings in under 10 minutes.

The jets are big, they are loud, they are low, and it is maddening. We have lodged noise complaints, but the form is time consuming to do every time, and honestly seems futile.

The fact that in the upcoming years we could have a flight every few minutes means our home values will decrease, and our lives will be affected in many other ways.

I understand the need to accommodate the passengers you have now, and I can support upgrading to accommodate current volume, but I do not support a terminal that is 5 times the size of today.

I feel the information shared in on May 24th used old data, was poorly communicated, and worst of all, was not advertised to neighboring communities that are effected. It feels like the airport is intentionally trying to fly under the radar and trick residents.

Currently when a flight comes in for a landing my house shakes, my kids get scared, and it disrupts homework and sleep. I am also very concerned about environmental repercussions.

I am a very angry and concerned citizen. I do not want the airport expansion. AND I want a solution for the current traffic that is at all hours, and very disruptive. Where is the responsible management for the current situation, let alone the future?

You cannot understand the frequency and effects of the noise without experiencing it, I am not exaggerating.

Recently I was yelling at my daughter so that she didn't do something that would put her in danger in our backyard, she couldn't hear me yell because of an overhead plane, and luckily missed the obstacle on her own. She could have been seriously injured. How am I supposed to keep my children safe outside when the traffic increases? I could go on and on.

On top of all of this, I am angry that I didn't even know the expansion was happening, or that it could get worse. I am learning that my neighbors and fellow residents are not aware either. The intentional lack of true openness to the communities, in my opinion, proves that those involved understand why residents wouldn't support such an initiative, and are trying to get things through quickly without the public's attention.

Thank you,
Jodie McVan

Bryan Goodrich

From: joyce <joycemi@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 9:11 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: airport expansion

I am a Lower Makefield resident. I oppose the expansion of the Mercer airport as it will reduce the quality of my family's and my life. Also I do not want the value of my home to be decreased because of increased noise and pollution.

Do not expand. The whole area will be devalued just like areas around other large airports.

Concerned citizen,
Joyce Inderbitzin
1625 S. Crescent Blvd
Yardley, PA 19067

Bryan Goodrich

From: Nancy Allen <nallenstudio53@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 7:20 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: airport expansion

I am against the expansion of the airport.

It already impacts the quality of your life in the surrounding area, additional flights could have an effect on the environment and traffic.

Nancy Allen
53 E College Avenue
Yardley

Bryan Goodrich

From: Richard Preston <rpreston57@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 5:03 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: airport master plan

I found the master plan very disturbing. There was no regard for surrounding communities nor any concern for the disruption that will be caused to residents affected by the flight paths. Your flights already disrupt sleep for me on both ends of the night. Loud flights after 12 AM and before 6 AM are common. The sleep disruption is both a health concern due to sleep deprivation and a quality of life issue.

In addition, I have neighbors who have had difficulty selling their houses because potential buyers see the airplanes come over and want nothing to do with them. So increasing your flights is bad for our health, quality of life and property values. We understand the airport is here to stay and are not asking for it to close. Restrict the growth and number of airlines and apply curfews.

Richard Preston
1522 Stapler Drive
Yardley, PA 19067
609-865-2660

Also, the poor communications with NJ residents near the airport are inexcusable and show the underhanded way the airport is treating them.

The suggestion they stay indoors after you provide them with noise reduction windows is insulting. People want to be able to use their yards and not feel trapped inside because of noise.

Bryan Goodrich

From: Amy Preston <amy.preston5656@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 9:48 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: airport master plan

The noise from the airport increasingly disturbs our sleep and frequently even our conversation. The possibility that you want to grow the airport without any regard to local communities and their quality of life is terrible. We understand there is interest in having the airport serve this community. But you need to be responsible neighbors and not impact our lives with late night and very early flights. You are keeping me awake at night and lowering our property value. You will make this beautiful area into a community to avoid because of your noise and interference. Find measures to control the growth, distribute the traffic and reduce the impact on our lives.

1522 Stapler Drive
Yardley PA
215-321-0333

Bryan Goodrich

From: david chmielewski <d.r.ski@att.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:58 PM
To: Trenton
Cc: Anne Chmielewski
Subject: Comment concerning Trenton Mercer Airport Master Plan Revised/ for Grammer
Attachments: Comment Submission Trenton Mercer Airport Master Plan meeting May 24 2017revised version.pdf

Attn Mr. Dale Russell Urban Engineers in the referenced matter.
The attached pdf are comment from David and Anne Chmielewski.
It is requested that you confirm receipt of this correspondence

Anne and David Chmielewski
49 Sunset Ave
Ewing, NJ 08628

Mr. Dale Russell
Urban Engineers
530 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

June 10, 2017

Subject: Comment Submission Regarding Trenton – Mercer Airport Master Plan Public Meeting
2 Held May 24, 2017.

Dear Mr. Russell:

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After that meeting, we were alarmed and concerned for our welfare, health and safety. It appears that purpose of the airport expansion is one of profit and low fares for many people other than the working class population in this community. There was no evidence of a thorough environmental study including an analysis of community and context impact.

This is a Social Justice issue and we intend to be vocal and involved as the process moves forward.

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Sincerely,

David and Anne Chmielewski d.r.ski@att.net

Bryan Goodrich

From: Rybczynski, Michael <RybczynskiM@stjosephvilla.org>
Sent: Monday, June 05, 2017 3:54 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Comment on Trenton airport master plan attached
Attachments: SKM_454e20060415090.pdf

Please see comment attached in response to the Master Plan – Trenton airport

From: copier@stjosephvilla.org [mailto:copier@stjosephvilla.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 04, 2020 3:09 PM
To: Rybczynski, Michael
Subject: Message from KM_454e



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To:

June 5, 2017

Urban Engineers
530 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

My name is Michael J. Rybczynski and I live at 139 Pine Lane, Yardley, LMT. I have lived here since August of 1999. I grew up in Bucks County, but prior to moving to Yardley, I rented a home at 15 Willis Drive, West Trenton, NJ. So I have lived near the airport for a long time. As a resident of a home which is in the flight path, I am appealing to you to please help to manage the noise caused by the increase in the jets and the potential future increase in the noise due to the expansion of the West Trenton Airport. I mention where I used to live because it is now significantly different being inside the flight path as opposed to just outside the path that planes take into and out of the airport.

I attended both recent master plan meetings and I am disappointed in what I am learning. The sound study covered an area relatively close to the runway area and did not appear to include the neighborhoods that are most affected by the larger planes arriving and departing the West Trenton airport. I was told that this is the study that the FAA requires. But the study falls short. It does not consider the disruption to the residents in the flight path. You do not have the right to rob me of my quality of life and the potential loss of the use of my outdoor space due to noise. The improvements planned mean more planes being processed thru the airport and more noise. For those of us in the direct path, the noise can be unbearable. I don't see how people will be able to live in the vicinity of the airport should the jet noise continue to increase.

I am not against the airport, but I am against the decrease in the quality of life that the airport expansion will bring about. If the noise cannot be managed, the air traffic should not increase.

Sincerely,



Michael J Rybczynski
139 Pine Lane
Yardley, Pa

CC:

Lower Makefield Township Supervisors Via Email
Representative Perry Warren via Email

Bryan Goodrich

From: david chmielewski <d.r.ski@att.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:45 PM
To: Trenton
Cc: Anne Chmielewski
Subject: Comment Submission Regarding Trenton Mercer Airport Master Plan Meeting 2
5/24/2017
Attachments: Comment Submission Trenton Mercer Airport Master Plan meeting May 24 2017.pdf

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Ewing, NJ 08628

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David and Anne Chmielewski d.r.ski@att.net

Bryan Goodrich

From: Barry S. Wagner <BarrySWagner@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 8:50 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Comment Sheet from Trenton Mercer Airport - Master Plan Update - Public Information Meeting - May 24, 2017

Dear Reader,

I attended the above listed meeting and was very disappointed with the presentations at the various stations. In particular, I want to call your attention to the station which discussed the noise contours around the airport. The noise contours do not extend into the area of Yardley, Pennsylvania, where I have a house.

The planes come over my house and create a disturbing amount of noise. This could be eliminated through a combination of the following measures:

- 1 – Have planes take off from other than runway 24.
- 2 – Install an instrumented landing system on an additional runway to runway 24. This would eliminate the need to land on runway 24 during inclement weather.
- 3 – For planes that take off from runway 24, they should follow the Delaware river before reaching their final altitude. This would eliminate the need to fly over Yardley, Pennsylvania with the related noise that comes from the planes.

Thank you for your consideration of my comment.

Sincerely,

Barry S. Wagner
393 Cobbler Court
Yardley, PA 19067-4753



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Bryan Goodrich

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Sincerely,

David and Anne Chmielewski d.r.ski@att.net

Bryan Goodrich

From: Lori Leopardi <lorileo1031@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 11, 2017 9:33 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Comment

Urban Engineers,

I am writing to comment on the expansion of the Mercer Airport. My comment is, as a long time resident of Mercer County, I am NOT in favor of the airport expansion. As a taxpayer, I do not want my hard earned money going to something I deem as unnecessary and a substantial nuisance to my family, friends and neighbors.

I tried calling the Noise Hotline number 609-882-8965 to express my concern about the noise of the current late night flights, but the message box is full. I am concerned the present and future airlines will not abide by the voluntary flight curfew. I moved to my Ewing Township home from Pennington with the full knowledge of the small airport near my new home. If I wanted to live near a large airport, I would have purchased a home in Newark.

Thank you,
Lori Leopardi
4 Middleton Ave., Ewing NJ
609-730-1482

Sent from my iPad

Bryan Goodrich

From: Barrett, Susan <sbarrett@buchalter.com>
Sent: Friday, June 16, 2017 1:36 PM
To: Trenton
Cc: Lichman, Barbara
Subject: Comments on Draft Airport Master Plan for Trenton-Mercer Airport
Attachments: Comments on Airport Master Plan Public Meeting #2 Exhibits 06.16.17.PDF

Please see the attached comment letter.

Susan Barrett for Barbara E. Lichman, Ph.D.

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530 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Re: Comments on Airport Master Plan Public Meeting #2 Exhibits

Dear Mr. Russell:

The following constitute the comments of The Township of Lower Makefield ("Township") concerning the presentation made at Public Meeting #2 on the Draft Airport Master Plan for Trenton-Mercer Airport ("TTN"). The proposed Master Plan, and its impacts are of deep concern to the Township, because of the Township's continuing responsibility to ensure the health, safety and welfare of its citizens, which it believes will be adversely impacted by the proposed Master Plan's potential for increasing aircraft operations and thus, noise over the already severely impacted residents of the Township.

As a threshold matter, please be advised that the Township has not received, nor is it aware of, any further existing documentation of the Master Plan, other than that presented at the public meetings. Therefore, all comments here are limited to those exhibits. If, however, there are drafts of the Master Plan, or other explanatory documents, which supersede or otherwise amend the exhibits already presented to the public, the Township expressly reserves its right to further comment upon receipt of those documents, including, but not limited to, those related to the environmental review of the proposed Master Plan.

First, with respect to the exhibits from the second public meeting only, the Township is somewhat confused concerning the relationship of forecast enplanements and operations for the year 2035 and the proposed increase in terminal size. On the one hand, enplanements are forecast to increase 25% from 2015 to 2035 (and operations 29%), but the size of the terminal facilities is proposed to increase nearly 400% during the same period. Even taking into account compensation for current deficiencies in terminal accommodations, it seems clear that the

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terminal is being sized to accommodate a number of passengers much greater than that revealed in the exhibits.

Second, there appears to be an inconsistency between the forecast number of enplanements in the year 2020 and the number of operations forecast to accommodate them. On the one hand, the number of passengers enplaning is forecast to drop from 382,172 in 2015 to 358,728 in 2020, an approximately 6% decrease. Nevertheless, the number of air carrier/air taxi operations during that same period is expected to climb by 639, from 9,599 in 2015 to 10,239 in 2020, or also about 6%. It is, of course, difficult to discern the reason that more operations will occur if passenger levels are forecast to decrease, because such an eventuality would run against the economic interests of the airlines.

Third, it is particularly surprising to note that no progress has apparently been made in the analysis of the project's environmental impacts between the current presentation and that of the first presentation in September, 2016. It is not open to dispute that, in order to implement the proposed Master Plan, the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") must approve certain components, most notably the Airport Layout Plan ("ALP"), which contains the design of the airport's facility to ensure their safety. *See* 49 U.S.C. § 47107(a)(16)(C). Moreover, in order to approve the ALP, at minimum, an Environmental Assessment ("EA") must have been performed. FAA Order 1050.1F, § 6-2.2. However, the proposed schedule set forth in the presentation anticipates a "draft submittal" in "June/July," (presumably of the Master Plan to the FAA in 2017), and foresees "environmental/NEPA process (follow on study) to precede any new airport development." In other words, it appears that compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA"), 42 U.S.C. § 4321, *et seq.*, is not envisioned to take place until after the Master Plan is approved, and development is begun, a clear violation of the regulations implementing NEPA, 40 C.F.R. § 1506.1(a).

Fourth, and, even if for argument's sake it were permissible to perform an after-the-fact environmental review, which it is not, the level of review of the Master Plan would have to rise far above the level of an EA to that of an Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS"). That is true for several reasons. First, the proposed "project" to be assessed, *i.e.*, the Master Plan Update, is merely the tip of the iceberg, incorporating one of a number of additions to the aircraft fleet (*e.g.*, 28% increase in operations in 18 years), and other enhancements to the inventory which are projected, but not analyzed in their entirety in this, or the prior Master Plan updates. The project proponent has a long history of ignoring "connected" and "cumulative" actions in its environmental review, *see, e.g.*, 40 C.F.R. § 1508.25(a)(1) and (2), thus depriving the public of the complete picture of environmental impacts including noise that may arise from the various components of the proposed expansion, both currently and in the future.

Finally, and making the performance of an EIS even more important, TTN is in a region that is in nonattainment of the air quality goals set forth in the Federal Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C.

Urban Engineers

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§ 7401, *et seq.* That statute is, in turn, enforced by the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”), through its implementing regulations, *see* 40 C.F.R. Parts 50-99. Of specific relevance in this case is 40 C.F.R. §§ 93.150-164, “Determining Conformity of General Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plan” (“Conformity Rule”).

The Conformity Rule states unequivocally that “[n]o department, agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government shall engage in, support in any way or provide financial assistance for, license or permit, or approve any activity which does not conform to an applicable implementation plan.” 40 C.F.R. § 93.150(a). It goes on to state that “[a] Federal agency must make a determination that a Federal action conforms to the applicable implementation plan in accordance with the requirements of this subpart before the action is taken.” 40 C.F.R. § 93.150(b) [emphasis added]. Specifically, “. . . a conformity determination is required for each criteria pollutant or precursor where the total of direct and indirect emissions of the criteria pollutant or precursor in a nonattainment or maintenance area caused by a Federal action would equal or exceed any of the rates in paragraphs (b)(1) or (2) of this section [referring to the Table of Pollutants and their mandated levels].” 40 C.F.R. § 93.153(b).

In this case, TTN and the region that surrounds it, are in nonattainment for criteria pollutants Ozone, 8-Hour Ozone, Carbon Monoxide and Particulate Matter of 2.5 microns. Without a full EIS and, at minimum, a conformity applicability analysis, 40 C.F.R. § 93.152, the environmental review and any Master Plan approval pursuant to it would be woefully inadequate.

In short, TTN’s intentions with respect to development need to be more fully catalogued, and their environmental impacts more fully explained, before the proposed Master Plan and attendant ALP can be approved and implemented. The Township looks forward to working with TTN and its owner and operator Mercer County in enhancing the airport’s safety and efficiency while, at the same time, carefully regulating its expansion, and mitigating the impacts of that expansion on the Township and other surrounding communities.

Sincerely,

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A Professional Corporation

By 

Barbara Lichman

Bryan Goodrich

From: Joanne Burke <jpb1212@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 5:09 PM
To: Trenton
Cc: Joanne Burke
Subject: Comments on Master plan for airport-action requested

Greetings:

I am a home owner in Lower Makefield Township, PA. I have lived here for 17 years and my home is in the flight path of the Mercer airport.

Airport expansions have occurred during those 17 years that have negatively impacted the quality of living here. For example, on 2 June 2017, between 11:00 and 11:35 am, three planes went overhead that prevented me from being able to conduct business from my own porch due to the noise. Periodically, my windows shake when the planes fly over, and at least one night this week, I heard a plane at 1 am.

Therefore, I am writing to respectfully request that you perform an environmental impact (including the effect of Sandy Run II in 19067) by an independent and objective arbiter **before** expanding. I also request that you commit to **adhering** to whatever steps have been outlined in the past and any additional steps that will be imposed in the future to minimize impact on the inhabitants of the surrounding area.

Sincerely,
Joanne Burke

PS. I still recall visiting family in NYC 50 years ago and experiencing the loud, low flying planes overhead. It makes quite an impression...and not a good one!

Bryan Goodrich

From: brownlilyblues@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2017 12:11 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Comments on May 24th "Public Meeting"

To Whom This May Concern,

I had the opportunity to attend the Master Plan Update Public information Meeting on May 24, 2017.

Based upon the format of the presentation, I conclude that this was not a public meeting since no one was there to provide answers to the concerns and questions that need to be addressed in an open community forum. Instead, we were provided with flow charts of three possibilities of the future expansion of the airport. Who actually decides to keep the airport as is or, to expand the airport into a facility that will certainly have a negative environmental impact on the surrounding communities? I don't remember being asked to chose or vote for an option. **It is necessary that county officials hold Q&A Sessions with the people of the surrounding communities, as well as putting this issue up for public vote.**

Based on the charts displayed at the meeting, I am to assume that the airport is here to stay but it is the long term expansion that greatly concerns me. Since Frontier has set up its commercial enterprise here, I have noticed the continual noise of the low flying jets that are taking off and landing at this airport. Expanding the airport to accommodate more planes will only serve to create unstoppable and high levels of noise pollution to the communities in the surrounding area.

Mercer County, an already congested county, sandwiched between New York and Philadelphia, had addressed traffic problems to the NY/Newark and Philly airports with public train transportation that reduced congestion, noise and carbon dioxide pollution to the state. Eliminating unnecessary/excess road traffic going to these airports has worked well to alleviate road/air pollution in our state. Expanding the Mercer County Airport contradicts the efforts this county has made to address this type of pollution; at this point, expanding the airport will create undue stress on our highways, create traffic problems as well as increase accidents in an already high traffic corridor to Philadelphia/New York and the surrounding communities. Expanding the airport will only serve to emit more CO2 created by ground traffic to and from the airport, not to mention that the "takeoff and landings" of planes emit the largest quantities of CO2 and NOx into the atmosphere.

Mercer County has developed one the most sophisticated eco trail systems in the county, which attracts migratory, resident birds and animals to the area - all beneficial to Mercer County and the State of NJ. The fact that combustion of aviation fuel produces noxious gases into the air will negatively impact the efforts made by this county to attract and contain its wildlife populations in the eco areas. In addition to having effects on the wildlife, the gases will have an adverse effect on the local communities. Planes, at take off and landing, create the most ill effects on people and wildlife by the emission of CO2 and NOx.

Again, the county contradicts its efforts to maintain a natural habitat to attract and save wildlife by exposing migrating and local nesting birds to striking planes at takeoff and landing. The greater number of takeoff and landings, the greater number of casualties.

Potable water is another concern about the expansion of this airport. Since the airport will be using de-icing agents , chemicals and paints for maintenance of planes, buildings and runways, there is a certain probability that the leakage and runoff of these chemicals will create pollution to our water sources, resulting in grave medical problems for people in the surrounding communities.

Why does Mercer County need to expand an airport to accommodate mini vacations to Jamaica? We have two airports that serve us when we need to travel, let's leave some breathing room for our kids. Expanding to serve the needs of an airline at the expense of humans is something the county needs to rethink.

I believe that there is no aviation demand for Mercer Airport - the future aviation demands are predicated on corporate profits, no one is going to benefit except the corporation. Please go back in Trenton's history when the "industry trends" projected a need to move businesses out of Trenton to corridors on Olden Avenue and Broad Streets. Now, look at these corridors, businesses have moved out and the areas are in decay. Please consider the "future of the future" and what the

mess will be when the same "industry trends" of today become the new "industry trends" of tomorrow and leave a trail of abandonment . Corporations don't suffer from this aftermath, it is the people of whom they take advantage.

In conclusion, I propose that the County Executive or appropriate designees hold Question and Answer Sessions and develop a Community Task Force to address this expansion. Furthermore, I request that the "airport expansion" go to a public vote.

I am not in favor of further expansion of this airport.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Burns

Bryan Goodrich

From: Chuck Dolan <chuckdolan@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 1:22 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Do Not Expand Trenton Mercer Airport

Dear Sir / Ma'am,

I am formally requesting that All Limitations be put into place to stop the expansion of Trenton Mercer Airport. I live in Yardley Boro, PA and I do not like how they allow Frontier Airlines to begin operations before 7 am, which unnecessarily wakes my family up.

Thank you,

The Dolan Family
Yardley, PA

Chuck Dolan
chuckdolan@verizon.net

Bryan Goodrich

From: Taylor, James <jtaylor@tcnj.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 10:36 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Expansion Plans for Trenton Mercer airport?

Dear Sir or Madam,

Are there any plans to increase the amount of air traffic handled by Trenton Mercer airport? Some persons on various local Facebook pages are claiming that the traffic could increase to one plane every six minutes. Is this true, or are they confusing expanded air traffic with the planned renovation of the terminal?

Many thanks!

James Stacey Taylor
The College of New Jersey

Bryan Goodrich

From: Lisa Weintraub <lisa.weintraub@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 3:06 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Expansion at the airport

Hello,

I'm writing to oppose the expansion at the airport and the increased flights. We are set to close on a house in Titusville that is just 3 miles from the airport and this was not disclosed to us. This will negatively affect the value of our home in addition to our enjoyment of living in the Hopewell Township.

Thank you,

Lisa Weintraub

Bryan Goodrich

From: Laura Wright <laurawright403@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 9:16 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Expansion of the Trenton Mercer Airport

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am very disappointed with the anticipated expansion of the Trenton Mercer Airport. This airport has and will continue to negatively impact my quality of life and my health. Please reconsider the consequences of this expansion.

Sincerely,

Laura

Bryan Goodrich

From: Willmot, Julie <jwillmot@mercercounty.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2017 11:34 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: FW: West Trenton Airport Impact - Concerned Local Resident

From: Mair, Andrew
Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2017 11:34 AM
To: Willmot, Julie; Colavita, Pasquale
Cc: Watson, Aaron
Subject: RE: West Trenton Airport Impact - Concerned Local Resident

Thank you, please do.

Andrew A. Mair
County Administrator
County of Mercer
640 S. Broad Street
Trenton, NJ 08650-8068
Tel: (609) 989-6502
Fax: (609) 695-5976
amair@mercercounty.org

From: Willmot, Julie
Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2017 11:33 AM
To: Mair, Andrew; Colavita, Pasquale
Cc: Watson, Aaron
Subject: RE: West Trenton Airport Impact - Concerned Local Resident

Andy, there was a comment sheet and email provided at the meeting. I can forward this person's comments to the consultant at Trenton@mjinc.com if that is your advisement.

From: Mair, Andrew
Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2017 11:29 AM
To: Colavita, Pasquale
Cc: Watson, Aaron; Willmot, Julie
Subject: RE: West Trenton Airport Impact - Concerned Local Resident

Aaron is the one to respond and he is out until 6/14. I ask him to reply upon his return.

Andrew A. Mair
County Administrator
County of Mercer
640 S. Broad Street
Trenton, NJ 08650-8068

Tel: (609) 989-6502
Fax: (609) 695-5976
amair@mercercounty.org

From: Colavita, Pasquale
Sent: Monday, June 05, 2017 7:12 PM
To: Mair, Andrew
Subject: Fwd: West Trenton Airport Impact - Concerned Local Resident

Please respond

Sent Pasquale Colavita's iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: joe hadge <hadgej@gmail.com>
Date: May 29, 2017 at 7:10:35 PM EDT
To: <bsteinmann@ewingnj.org>
Cc: Jim McManimon <jpmcmanimon@ewingnj.org>, <pcolavita@mercercounty.org>, <lwalter@mercercounty.org>, Jenniffer Keyes - Maloney <jkeyes-maloney@ewingnj.org>
Subject: West Trenton Airport Impact - Concerned Local Resident

Dear Mayor Steinmann,

I would like to share brief highlights from the Tuesday, May 23rd meeting at the Element hotel regarding the expansion of the Trenton-Mercer airport. I was informed about this meeting on Sunday, May 21 by a neighbor. I had no prior knowledge about this meeting or of any prior meetings concerning the airport expansion. I could not find a notification about the meetings -- no phone calls, emails, snail mails, texts or postings in the Ewing Observer. I am curious how I missed being informed.

The room was packed at the meeting, loud and set up with three sections of multiple large Engineering Maps. The gentlemen standing near the maps were professional with very polished answers.

The following are the main points were stressed by the professionals: 1) everything is Voluntary; 2) the plan has not been decided; 3) no trees or houses will be taken; 4) changes are intended to improve planes' ability to taxi and not to extend the runway; 5) flight volume will only grow very slowly over a long period of time. I believe the example was by 2030, there could be a 35% growth rate in flights. With that said, the room was packed with numerous discussions. It was difficult for me to hear and to follow the multiple conversations.

One clear topic that came up in group discussions was Free Tree Removal, (please note I have not been approached about tree removal on my property, however some Ewing citizens who were present at the meeting had been approached). Seniors who spoke of this Free Tree removal thought it was great. A few others, mostly retirees, commented that free tree removal was a great offer. I am concerned removal of trees might allow the Airport additional rights and/or freedoms to our property. Is this possibly true?

Flights are flying lower then ever and sound loud, flying more frequently over back yards and houses. The past few months it appears planes have been using a different flight pattern and have

been flying even lower. It is intimidating at times. Neighborhood children have commented the planes are flying lower and are loud covering ears. My neighbor commented that her preschool aged children occasionally noticed the flights when they were flying higher, now they do with awe. Prior flights almost always flew over the corn field near the tree line towards highway I-95. However, now flights are cutting over West Upper Ferry and Wilburtha Roads. The flight paths have changed and therefore the planes up close and personal. For example, At 5:55 PM on Monday, May 29, a plane appeared just above the tree line and looked huge. There were 3 other flights over this long weekend that were low, felt loud and over the back yards and/or houses that were intimidating.

I feel for my Ewing / West Trenton neighbors; some were scared, some were worried, some appeared happy about potentially receiving free tree removal, and others were discussing free windows, insulation, AC and other home improvements that would address the sound issues. I wish I knew how to assist the neighbors as I believe they need help and several have asked me to be the voice.

I look to you for your insight, thoughts and consideration about the possible Airport expansion and its connection to our Quality of Life, safety, home owner economics and environmental impacts.

I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely a Concerned Ewing Citizen,

Joe Hadge

170 West Upper Ferry Rd

Ewing / West Trenton NJ 08618

cell [609 439 9336](tel:6094399336) - anytime

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Bryan Goodrich

From: Barb Baus <bbaus16@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 10:37 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Fwd: Airport Expansion

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From: **Barb Baus** <bbaus16@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Jun 10, 2017 at 10:19 PM
Subject: Airport Expansion
To: trenton@mjinc.com

Mercer Airport:

To hope or think that expansion of Mercer Airport won't happen is naive. If It's going to make other people lots of money they won't let anything stand in their way. However, expansion must be done responsibly, taking into consideration the impact it will have on the hundreds of people living in the area.

I live at the end of Pine Lane, the only house on the cul-de-sac. I bought the house because it is a quiet dead-end street with a beautiful yard and views. I soon learned that my home is directly under the flight path for planes taking off and landing. At first it wasn't too bad, but that didn't last. There have been many occasions where planes passing over my home in the night fly so low my daughter and I are abruptly woken to the noise of the plane and sometimes even our windows rattling. It's frightening; it's so loud it sounds like the plane is going to crash into our house. I didn't know there was a website where I could file complaints.

Greed must not be allowed to take precedence over the quality of life of hundreds of residents. Expansion should be done responsibly. Larger planes should not be allowed due to extreme noise levels. Planes should be flying at higher altitudes to reduce noise and rattling windows. Flights should be strategically scheduled during the weekdays when most people are at work. Flights should not be added during the weekends. Does the current approach/takeoff flight path minimize to the greatest extent impacts to resident or is there another path that would do so?

Another concern is the effect expansion will have on the value of my property and my ability to sell my house in the future. Frankly, Mercer County does not have the right to become more of a nuisance, destroy our quality of life and steal our property values so the airport can increase their revenues.

Sincerely,

Barbara Baus

Bryan Goodrich

From: Barbara Warren <barbwarrenphoto@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 9:26 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Fwd: I am against the expansion of the Trenton Airport

I wanted to add my home address in case you need to send any mail correspondence and to confirm that I am indeed a resident of Lower Makefield Township. My address is 210 Coventry Court, Yardley PA.

Barb Warren
www.barbarawarren.com
[215-369-3553](tel:215-369-3553)

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From: "Barbara Warren" <barbwarrenphoto@gmail.com>
Date: Jun 8, 2017 9:20 PM
Subject: I am against the expansion of the Trenton Airport
To: <Trenton@mjinc.com>
Cc:

I am against the expansion of the Trenton Airport. Already there is a fair amount of noise from airplanes overhead.

I live in Lower Makefield Township and work from home so I am very aware of the frequency and noise that the airplanes currently cause. It is not too bad now but the expansion seems very large, and could go from one flight per hour to over 11 flights per hour. That is way too many, and will destroy the value of homes in the Lower Makefield Township area.

Barb Warren
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[215-369-3553](tel:215-369-3553)

Bryan Goodrich

From: Jeannie Ivcic <cicvi17@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 2:53 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Fwd: Mercer Airport Expansion

Please forgive my typo from my earlier e-mail (should have said to the FAA instead of FHA).

To the FAA and those involved in approving the expansion of Trenton Mercer Airport, I find it remarkable that there has not been an study done and submitted on the effect on Pennsylvania residents. We are only 5 to 6 miles from the airport and we are directly under the major flight pattern for the current planes landing at Trenton Mercer Airport. The planes are so low that the noise pollution is objectionable. Additionally I'm sure the exhaust pollution should be considered and measured. To add the possibility of even 1 or 2 additional flights per hour (let alone ELEVEN!!!) would create an unhealthy situation.

Before making any decisions, I expect you to make a well informed decision considering all factors. That is impossible if the study is not completed and submitted. Please make this a FAIR process and thus a fair decision.

We as tax payers and voters are TIRED of partisan policies benefiting a select few. Having public officials actually consider all constituents would be a breath of fresh air. Hopefully that will happen here.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Steven M.Ivcic
PA Resident

Bryan Goodrich

From: Dale Russell <drussell@urbanengineers.com>
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 4:23 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Fwd: Trenton - Mercer Airport Comments
Attachments: Michael Rolland.pdf; Mark and Sara Hammer.pdf; Jean Kuhn.pdf; Mark Kuhn.pdf

>>> Michele Gambino 6/12/2017 4:19 PM >>>

Hi Dale,

Please find document's attached:

Thank you,

Michele

Mark D. Kuhn, M.D.
807 Combine Lane
Yardley, PA 19067

Urban Engineers
Attn: Trenton Master Plan
530 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

June 8, 2017

Dear Urban Engineers,

My family's home in Yardley, PA is directly below the flight path of arriving and departing planes from Trenton-Mercer Airport. The planes fly so low that I can read what's written on their tails. The noise from the planes has significantly reduced the quality of our lives here. And now the airport is pushing for an expansion and that will mean even more flights and more noise pollution.

I am writing to let you know that I am completely against the expansion of the Trenton-Mercer airport.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'MDK', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Jean Kuhn
807 Combine Lane
Yardley, PA 19067

Urban Engineers
Attn: Trenton Master Plan
530 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

June 8, 2017

Dear Urban Engineers,

My family and I live directly below the flight path for planes coming in and out of the Trenton-Mercer Airport and I am absolutely against the extension of the airport. Already, with the flights as they are, when we are in our yard, we need to stop talking until the planes finish passing by overhead. That's how loud they are.

We have worked hard to afford our house and I feel the quality of our life in it has been diminished since the planes began flying overhead from Trenton-Mercer. I also fear that the resale value of our house will be impacted for the worse by the noise pollution which begins early in the morning and continues until night.

I am completely against the expansion of the Trenton-Mercer airport.

Yours,

Jean Kuhn

807 Combine Lane
Yardley, PA 19067

Trenton-Mercer Airport Expansion Master Plan Comments

Urban Engineers
530 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

We have lived at 934 Hunt Drive in Yardley for nearly 30 years. The Trenton-Mercer airport has never been an issue – until now. Large, extremely loud, low flying aircraft now pass over our home with alarming frequency, disturbing both our work and sleep. Beyond the impact on our quality of life, the noise is also causing property values and our township's property tax revenues to fall.

As a remedy, we ask that the flight paths, as well as take-off and landing procedures be carefully optimized and varied to minimize the impact of noise on our community. Or they should be curtailed. We derive no benefit from the airport expansion. It unfair for our community to assume a disproportionate amount of the burden.

Sincerely,

Mark and Sara Hammer

934 Hunt Drive
Yardley, PA 19067 -
4244



6/3/2017

Comment Sheet

Your input and participation in this process is very important. Please use the space below to provide comments on any aspect of the airport master plan. When finished, please place your sheet in the comment box provided. If you need more time, you may write your comments at home and return them to the address below. All comments must be postmarked or emailed by June 10, 2017. Thank you for your participation.

Urban Engineers
530 Walnut St Philadelphia, PA 19106
Attn: Trenton Master Plan
OR e-mail:
Trenton@mjinco.com

I am writting this letter to speak out against the Airports plan to increase air traffic in Ewing. I live on West Upper Ferry Rd. and sometimes planes do go over my apt. and the very noise of it is deafening. It's noise pollution without any doubt. If that airport plan is implemented it would be impossible to live anylonger in my apt. I mean how could you sleep at night or watch tv during the day with jet airplanes flying above 7/24 over apts. or homes.

I want this plan by corrupt people in office, i.e. our very corrupt jewish mayor and his jewish cohorts, to stop this madness.

Sincerely,
Michael R. Rishel

P.S. I didn't capitalize the j in jewish on purpose...

Not because I have bad grammar.

Bryan Goodrich

From: Barbara Warren <barbwarrenphoto@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 9:21 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: I am against the expansion of the Trenton Airport

I am against the expansion of the Trenton Airport. Already there is a fair amount of noise from airplanes overhead.

I live in Lower Makefield Township and work from home so I am very aware of the frequency and noise that the airplanes currently cause. It is not too bad now but the expansion seems very large, and could go from one flight per hour to over 11 flights per hour. That is way too many, and will destroy the value of homes in the Lower Makefield Township area.

Barb Warren
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[215-369-3553](tel:215-369-3553)

Bryan Goodrich

From: Kathy <Ktdiringer@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, June 18, 2017 9:21 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Land acquisition for safety at Mercer County Airport

I'm sorry I missed the deadline for comments.

I would like more information about the extent of the proposed land acquisition for safety surrounding the TTN airport.

Can you provide any additional details beyond what is shown in the Mercer County Airport Plan update?

Thank you,

Kathy Diringer

28 Willis Drive

Ewing, NJ 08628

Bryan Goodrich

From: Robert Bradsell <Bradsell-Associates@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2017 11:38 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: MERCER COUNTY AIRPORT / DEVELOPMENT...

I noticed on the airport website's "new developments" section, a very thorough description of a Sept. 2016 public meeting.

The website presentation mentioned a follow-up meeting to take place in November 2016, and a scheduled draft plan to be submitted to FAA in December 2016. Did those events take place? If so, will the website be updated to reflect those events at some point soon?

Thank you for your attention.

I am a customer...

ROBERT H. BRADSELL

207 Green Valley Road | Langhorne, PA 19047

(H) 215.968.8511 | (C) 908.568.3796

Bradsell-Associates@verizon.net

Bryan Goodrich

From: Carole Weyant <carolejweyant@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 7:40 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Master Plan Expansion

I am strongly against the expansion of the Trenton Airport. This is a NJ airport and they take off at all hours right over my house in Yardley, PA. I can actually see the pilot in the front window they are so close! The noise is extremely bothersome. My windows rattle every time a plane flies so low overhead. This is not to even mention the pollution spewing from each airplane as it flies over my yard. This has severely effected the prices of our homes.

Please, stop the madness.

Carole Weyant
1473 Silo Road
Yardley, PA 19067

Bryan Goodrich

From: Dana Matas <danamatas@rocketmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2017 9:26 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Mercer Airport Expansion

To Whom it may concern,

I live on 1413 N. River Road in Yardley, PA, right in the flight pattern across the river from the Mercer airport.

I'm not against the airport as it is now, I am against the expansion!

My concerns are:

- Excessive noise volume with increasing number of flights purposed (11 every hour in the future)
- Air pollution from the increase of planes
- Environmental concerns
- Decreased home value
- Safety concerns: Fear of low flying planes crashing into my home. I've already had a few limbs violently broken from the tops of our pine trees from a low flying plane.
- I'm against the airport purchasing homes in Ewing in order to fulfill the expansion.

I plane just flew over my house as I'm typing this email at 9:24pm.

Please do not expand the airport!

Respectfully,

Dana Matas

Bryan Goodrich

From: Jeannie Ivcic <cicvi17@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 2:42 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Mercer Airport Expansion

To the FHA and those involved in approving the expansion of Trenton Mercer Airport, I find it remarkable that there has not been a study done and submitted on the effect on Pennsylvania residents. We are only 5 to 6 miles from the airport and we are directly under the major flight pattern for the current planes landing at Trenton Mercer Airport. The planes are so low that the noise pollution is objectionable. Additionally I'm sure the exhaust pollution should be considered and measured. To add the possibility of even 1 or 2 additional flights per hour (let alone ELEVEN!!!) would create an unhealthy situation.

Before making any decisions, I expect you to make a well informed decision considering all factors. That is impossible if the study is not completed and submitted. Please make this a FAIR process and thus a fair decision.

We as tax payers and voters are TIRED of partisan policies benefiting a select few. Having public officials actually consider all constituents would be a breath of fresh air. Hopefully that will happen here.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Steven M.Ivcic
PA Resident

Bryan Goodrich

From: Erica Wright <erica.ann920@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 1:44 PM
To: Trenton
Cc: Kevin Wright
Subject: Mercer County Airport Expansion Plan

To Whom It Concerns:

Hello my name is Erica Wright. My husband and I just moved to Riverview Drive in Ewing, NJ this past February. We are absolutely in love with our home and its surrounding features. We take daily walks along the canal path which is utilized by fishermen, walkers, joggers, bikers and most importantly wildlife. The West Trenton section is the hidden gem of Ewing Township.

Recently, it came to our attention that the Mercer County Airport has plans to expand its facility. This expansion will have negative effects on my neighborhood and our surrounding area. In order to expand the airport the following needs to happen: the removal of homes, the removal of trees/forests, and the removal of wildlife.

One of the reasons my family moved to this area was because of its tranquil and peaceful environment. We love waking up in the morning to see the deer in our yard, the fox and the beautiful birds eating from our bird feeders.

This airport expansion will cause the property value of our home to plummet and will endanger wildlife. As residents of Ewing Township, we are against your master plan to expand the airport. The noise pollution you will bring to our neighborhood and the loss of wildlife are devastating to our community. I'm looking forward to your response.

Thank you, Erica Wright

Bryan Goodrich

From: Carver, Candace <Candace.Carver@td.com>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 10:59 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Mercer County Airport Expansion

To whom it may concern,

I am deeply concerned with the expansion of the airport and the increased amount of flights.

The information I have read in regards to this blows my mind. Afterall we are not an international airport. I have a few questions:

I have done the math at the amount of flights compared to the number of minutes in the 6am to 6 pm timeframe for only commercial flights. I can't even imagine what safety issues this will bring, as it seems a flight would be going every 3-5 minutes. What will the flight patterns be, Incoming and outgoing? Currently incoming, fly right over my house at a very low altitude and the planes have clipped branches off of tops of trees.

In addition when I do here planes, I listen for malfunctions of engines in the case of a plane crash. This is a big fear of mine and I am sure my community in Yardley Borough, PA.

Candace Carver
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Bryan Goodrich

From: John W. Bing <johnbing@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 03, 2017 2:09 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Mercer County Airport Master Plan

Information about the master plan has been very difficult to obtain, and there has been no neighborhood outreach in the Mountain View area that I know of.

Therefore, much more effort must be undertaken to increase public outreach before any decision is made on expanding the airport. If this is not done, the decision itself will be made without the kind of participation which might result in a plan acceptable to most of those who live in the environs of this airport. With the current lack of information, those with interest in property rights and quality of life concerns are unable to make informed judgements. In the long term, this will negatively impact any provisional decision and set back the process by which considered judgements can be made.

I therefore urge that more information and outreach be made to a wider geographical area regarding any provisional master plan before moving forward.

Sincerely,
John W. Bing
13 Perry Drive
Ewing, NJ 08628

Bryan Goodrich

From: rkurisko@verizon.net
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 7:54 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Mercer County Airport

Hello,

Thank you for the information you left regarding the upcoming Mercer County Freeholder Meeting regarding the Airport Expansion.

I'm a resident in the on-site obstruction area and would like to discuss matters you raised in your handout with you.

I'm a little confused as to why Urban Engineers would oppose the expansion but would be happy to discuss issues with someone personally.

Again, thanks for the information.

Rich

Bryan Goodrich

From: Porsche Polise <porschepolise@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: NO TTN Airport Expansion

I against the expansion of the airport that already impacts the quality of life of residents. More flights means more noise and air pollution and is unfair to the community.

Thank you.

Porsche Polise
204 South Street
Brielle, NJ 08730

Bryan Goodrich

From: Lisa <lisa_marion@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 12:48 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Noise pollution

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a Lower Makefield resident and I do not support the expansion of Trenton/Mercer airport.

Thank you,

Lisa
Sent from my iPhone

Bryan Goodrich

From: Sari DeCesare <saridecesare@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 8:10 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Objection to Expansion of Trenton Mercer Airport

I am writing to express my objection to expansion plans for Trenton Mercer Airport. This will negatively impact our community and the environment with increase in air traffic, noise and emissions.

Sari DeCesare
Pennington, NJ

Bryan Goodrich

From: coufal saraya <saraya_coufal@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 2:27 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Objection to Trenton Mercer Airport Expansion

I am writing in my objection of the Trenton Mercer Airport Expansion. I live at 9 Orchard Avenue, Pennington, NJ. I was very distraught to find out of the plans to expand this airport. In addition, I am very concerned that the plans to expand have likely been purposefully completely underpublicized. In spreading the word as quickly as possible to other friends in the community, I have only heard outrage at the expansion and of course, no one has heard anything of the expansion plans. Shouldn't the community that will be directly affected, be informed?

As is, adding Frontier and Allegiant commercial flights severely impacted my families quality of life in numerous ways. With this planned further expansion, I can't imagine the increase in flights, severe noise pollution, environmental impact, property value reduction, and the impact on me working from my home office.

Currently, where I am located, the planes are SO LOW and SO LOUD, that all conversations have to come to a halt when a commuter flight passes over. Family meals and kids homework is interrupted. We are awoken in the morning and at night by the loud flights. I work from home so this is quite a problem during web-ex and phone meetings with my clients (from inside my home). If this frequency increases, this would severely impact my work, my ability to provide for my family, and my families quality of life. I can't imagine this frequency increasing to the extent that the new expansion plans would facilitate. I would strongly consider moving given I am not underwater on my mortgage from my home value plummeting from the increased air traffic.

I adamantly object to the expansion. Please make sure my email is part of the airport expansion report since I am sending this statement of objection in by June 10th 2017.

Thank you,
Saraya Coufal Sherman

Bryan Goodrich

From: N. LIEBIG <nliebig@verizon.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 2:21 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Opposed to Further Expansion of Trenton Mercer Airport

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am opposed to any further expansion of Trenton Mercer Airport as it affects my quality of life with the many many planes flying over my house and the noise in Lower Makefield Township. Furthermore it will decrease the value of my home when I try to sell the house in the future.

Please do what you need to do to stop any further expansion and reverse the expansion that has already occurred.

I appreciate all your efforts!

Regards,

Nancy Liebig

Bryan Goodrich

From: Liebig, Werner [GPSUS] <WLiebig@its.jnj.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 8:36 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Opposition to Expansion on Trenton Mercer Airport

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am opposed to any further expansion of Trenton Mercer Airport as it affects my quality of life with all the planes flying over my house and the noise in Lower Makefield Township. Furthermore it will decrease the value of my home when I try to sell the house in the future.

Please do what you need to do to stop any further expansion and reverse the expansion that has already occurred.

Regards,

Werner Liebig, Jr.

*Werner Liebig, Jr.
919 Hunt Drive
Yardley, PA 19067*

Bryan Goodrich

From: David Popper <yardleypopp@att.net>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 7:37 PM
To: Trenton
Subject: Proposed Airport Expansion

I live in Lower Makefield, Pennsylvania and my home sits in the direct flight path of planes flying into Trenton's Mercer Airport. I moved here over 30 years ago for the beauty and peacefulness of the area. While I find the current flights over my home disruptive, any planned expansion of the airport to allow even more flights daily will totally destroy my quality of life. I implore you to take into account the impact of any expansion on Pennsylvania residents. The current flights wake us up when we sleep with our windows open. Please don't destroy our bucolic way of life any further!

Sincerely,
David A. Popper, MD

Bryan Goodrich

From: rpgranados@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 10:29 AM
To: Trenton
Subject: Public comments about trenton Mercer Airport

Fellow citizens

I strongly disagree with the expansion of the current airport. The constant noise from the increase in air active will affect our quality of life and will give our community nothing in return while non residents benefit. With Philadelphia International, North East and Newark Airport near by the expansion is not necessary. These other airports are enough to service this area.

regards

Ramon Granados and family
62 year resident of Levittown