

Hello:

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the allowed planes/noise level at Centennial Airport. I am a long term resident in a community to the North of the airport.

Over the last 20 years, the increase in airport traffic and noise has been beyond significant. There are certain days of the week/times of day where one plane is making an approach just a couple of minutes after the previous one. When that happens, our backyard is almost unusable (after a huge cost for new terracing and landscaping). Also, as we all focus on conserving energy, in the summer we try not to use our air conditioner during the evening/night so keep our windows open. We've found, however, those of us watching TV need to keep the remote in our hands so we can up the volume and hear it when a plane is flying over, then turn it down again - - and we also have found that the planes wake us up earlier and earlier in the morning - and has become an issue that any guest we have staying with us tends to comment"where is that airport".

All the noise (and safety) issues are compounded by the fact that many of the pilots do NOT adhere to the agreed upon flight patterns. It's my understanding that they are to approach the airport (from the North) by going over Cherry Creek State Park - - not over the houses that border it on the west. (between Belleview and Dry Creek) Probably 25% + of the pilots ignore that and are flying over the neighborhoods and schools.

So, the noise from planes is a critical in our ability to enjoy the use of our property. We want to be good neighbors and appreciate the positive things that the airport brings to the community. However, it was our understanding that the airport would allow these larger jets - -compounded by the sheer volume of activity at the airport.

Please - ban Stage 1 entirely

Please - ban Stage 2 - -and we would like it to be banned from 9p.m. till 8 a.m. - - so babies are disturbed less and people who need to sleep at different hours due to their jobs have the opportunity to do so....and so we can leave our windows open longer without feeling like a plane is landing in our living room.

Thank you for soliciting input - -and for reading this.

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