

I read in the Denver Post that you were the point of contact for comments on the Centennial Airport noise abatement issues.

I live in Highlands Ranch, quite a distance from the airport, and I do have airplane noise, however I have no issue with it. There are airplanes from Centennial, DIA and Buckley AFB that fly over my house, by far the loudest are the fighter jets out of Buckley, and the next noisiest are the airliners out of DIA. The small jets and propeller airplanes from Centennial are much less frequent and quieter than the other two combined.

I also work about 1.5 miles from the north end of the longer runway at Centennial. We watched in amazement as houses were built directly under the flight path at the north end of the runway. We knew that the next thing that we would hear is that the airport is "too noisy", and sure enough, here it is. If you were to do a study, you would find out that most of the noise that they are complaining about will come from two sources, one is the commercial jets going into DIA, and second would be a small handful of older "stage 1" jets that are flying out of Centennial. The elimination of Stage 1 jets at Centennial will not fix the issue that they people are complaining about, the elimination of the airport will not either.

I would like to see that Centennial Airport continue as it presently is. Centennial is a major employer in this area, with thousands of jobs directly or indirectly connected to the airport. The noise is not a major issue, there are people that want to have quiet in the middle of a city, which is impossible, and it will be impossible to please them as well.

If there would be any proposal, I would consider a ban on building houses within several miles of an airport as a start.

Thank you for your time

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