

We are Aurora residents, and I am also a private pilot. We have taken some interest in the noise mitigation study for KAPA, as well as the very opinionated recommendations of the Aurora City Council and Mayor.

While we understand that most folks take umbrage with having jets flying over their homes at all hours, we must ask the following relevant questions:

- 1) Since we understand from the news media report of last week that the majority of the complaints are coming from less than half a dozen households, we really question the broadness of the complaint scope.
- 2) We further understand that one of the "solutions" is to route more traffic over Cherry Creek State Park. What is the environmental impact on the various wildlife that have their habitat in the park?
- 3) What is the seniority of the airport in comparison to the principal complainants' home construction? Simply put, were the principal complainants' homes constructed well after the airport became operational? Did they build and/or buy their homes under an airport flight path, and subsequently start complaining about the airport noise? I'm not certain about it, but I believe the answer is YES! If that hypothesis is correct, then these complainants are without legitimate standing.

Indeed, our residence was built in 1993 underneath the Runway 25 or 26 approach at Stapleton. At the time, all of us in this neighborhood realized that we were going to endure jet noise (really LOUD jet noise) until DIA opened. We are sympathetic to those who live in flight paths to busy airports. However, if the airport was there first, we think that the complainants knew or should have known when they built or purchased. In such circumstances, we think that they need to learn to live with the noise.

We encourage you and the FAA in general to gather the information that will answer the above questions, and take prudent action based on those findings.

Respectfully submitted,

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