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Burlington, MA 01803-5299

January 24, 2003

Mr. Ed Patten  
6 Bartlett Parkway  
Winthrop, MA 02152

Dear Mr. Patten:

Thank you for your patience, commitment and helpful participation in the FAA Taxiway Study.

As promised, the draft notes from the first meeting are included with this package.

Please review the notes and let me know where you feel we might need to reword anything to better capture your thoughts.

Would each of you consider a second meeting at the air traffic control tower during the third week of February, possibly the 20<sup>th</sup>, from 1-4 pm? I will be calling you to confirm that date in the next few days. We will need to recognize and incorporate your edits and be certain we are all clear on what concerns we heard. Next, we will discuss how we will proceed with the study and what we will be able to work on as part of this undertaking.

Hopefully, we will provide both you in the community and the Federal Aviation Administration with useful information and hopefully options to improve in areas where we can. Please don't hesitate to call me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Gail Lattrell  
Planner

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Mr. Ron Hardaway  
118 Bayswater Street  
East Boston, MA 02128-1244

Dear Mr. Hardaway:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter concerning the Logan Taxiway Evaluation Study. I am confident after reading your letter that your candor and perspective is exactly what is needed to bring to the table the real issues facing the neighborhoods affected by the operation of Taxiway November. Your observations will be critical to share with the Taxiway Study group.

It is important for the FAA to truly capture the effects and impacts that the current operation of the taxiway is having on the neighborhoods of Court Road, Constitution Beach and Bayswater. If we can identify a means to operate the taxiway to minimize adverse impact to the communities while not compromising the safety and efficiency of the airport, then our study will have been a success.

Thank you for your insight.

Sincerely,

Amy L. Corbett  
Regional Administrator

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TO: MS Gail Lattrell

DATE: February 6, 2003

SUBJECT: Taxiway Evaluation Meeting (12-11-02) Comments

Thank you for all your hard work to get this package together that was received 02-04. You suggested another meeting on 02-20 regarding the changes. As you recall, I called you to indicate I would be out of town that week for school vacation.

It was nice receive a reply from MS Corbett to my letter of 12-11. Thank you for arranging that detail.

Your cover letter mentioned my comments and (letter attached) but the letter wasn't attached. If you need a copy of that letter, let me know. I would like for it to be attached to the package.

I would appreciate you adding some part of, "...the Centerfield Taxiway construction project, in my opinion and everyone I have talked to, who does not depend upon MASSPORT for their livelihood, say, No way! That will be the last straw!"

#### PR RELEASE

Normally the names should be in alphabetical order by city group, unless a ranking or position is indicated. Secondly and more importantly, I would ask that your writer add one more paragraph that covers some of the content. This is only an example to explain my point; "...many problem areas were discussed involving community safety, air and sound pollution along with extensive discussions how some compromises made be reached between the FAA and the communities, to improve the quality of life in the adjacent neighborhoods."

#### CONCERN / ACTIONS

I understand why you would use bullets in compiling the draft, but now I think it would be easier to locate and revise items, if they were numbered. There are 16 Concerns and 15 Actions to address. This makes it difficult to locate an item unless your have a numbed or a lettered outline, don't you think?

1. #9 Aircraft Size, Type and Engines  
The suggestion was also raised, if a fee could be charged for using aircraft of older vintage. The "hooded" type planes were mentioned.
2. #14 Restrictions Need to be Enforceable

I can see how you drew this conclusion from the letter. However, I was trying to convey that the phrases of "whenever busy" and "when possible" are not enforceable and should not be excuses to jam the taxiways. The only phrase that should be allowed, to explain jamming the traffic is, "due to an emergency condition".

#### CANDIDATE ACTIONS TO ADDRESS CONCERNS

1. #1 Restrict the Use (of) Taxiway November  
..."and placement" should be added. This pertains to the yellow Stopping Line that was removed that kept the planes from jamming the Northeast turn at the corner.
2. #2 Revise the Existing Noise Abatement Order  
The same comment as 2 #14 above.
3. #9 Create a Monitoring Site  
"PASSUR" should be footnoted and explained somewhere in the document.

I realize there is some overlap where some items are discussed in two places. I am sure you know how to fit these comments where they best belong in your format.

Where do we go from here? I guess it depends of the volume and content of the comments you receive from the other members, if you need to do another draft.

Thanks again for your coordination.

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February 12, 2003

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### **Logan Airport Taxiway Study Underway**

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) recently held its first meeting with East Boston and Winthrop residents about the FAA Taxiway Study for the northern portion of the airfield at Boston Logan International Airport.

The FAA called for a taxiway operations evaluation in its Record of Decision on the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Logan Airport Airside Improvements Planning Project. The FAA must complete the Taxiway Study before any decision is made about construction of the centerfield taxiway.

The study will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will identify the issues of greatest concern to the neighborhoods on the north side of the airfield, then solicit potential actions to address those concerns. The second phase will focus on the proposed centerfield taxiway operations and will include any environmental documentation required.

The FAA asked Mayor Thomas Menino of Boston and Winthrop Selectwoman Marie Turner to appoint three representatives from East Boston and Winthrop, respectively, to work with the FAA to identify the community's issues and concerns during the study. The six representatives include: Art Flavin, Harvey Maibor and Ed Patten of Winthrop, and Anthony D'Avolio, Ron Hardaway and Fran Rowan of East Boston.

During the first meeting community members received a tour of the Boston Logan Air Traffic Control Tower and conducted an open discussion touching on issues of concern to the community. The community members will continue to meet with FAA throughout the course of the study. The taxiway study is expected to be complete in eight to 10 months.

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March 13, 2003

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6 Bartlett Parkway  
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We will schedule a meeting in early April, at a time convenient for you, to share our progress and let you know what you can expect and when.

I will be calling each of you in the next week to discuss the distribution of the press release.

Thank you, in advance for your cooperation.

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March 31, 2003

Mr. Toni D'Avolio  
160 Bayswater Street  
East Boston, MA 02128

Dear Mr.: D'Avolio

In keeping with our commitment to share the taxiway analysis, we would like to schedule a meeting with you for April 17, from 12-3 pm.

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April 14, 2003

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7 Thurston Street  
East Boston, MA 02128

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August 8, 2003

Mr. Ron Hardaway  
118 Bayswater Street  
East Boston, MA 02128

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**FINAL Notes from the Taxiway Meeting April 17, 2003**

Attending were:

Brian Simmons (MITRE)  
Joe Sinnott (MITRE)  
Bettina Peronti (BOS ATCT)  
Buddy Borgioli (BOS ATCT)  
John Melecio (BOS ATCT)  
Bob Sgroi (BOS ATCT)  
Vince Scarano (FAA Apts)  
Gail Lattrell (FAA Apts)  
John Covino (BOS ATCT)  
Ed Patten, Winthrop  
Fran Rowan, East Boston  
Art Flavin, Winthrop  
Harvey Maibor, Winthrop  
Ron Hardaway, East Boston  
Tony D'Avolio, East Boston

Bettina Peronti opened the meeting after introductions. She began with a presentation/overview of the Study Focus. Art Flavin asked if this study was to be exclusively focused on departure queuing. Bettina answered that it will analyze the taxi operations North of runway 15R/33L and because of the configuration and use of the 22 runways, it equates to departure queues.

Art Flavin asked for the powerpoint handouts. It will be mailed to everyone with the meeting minutes.

Joe Sinnott summarized the recent activity on the taxiway study. Since December, BOS/Air Traffic Control together with Mitre Corp has been researching federal and state policies; regulations and directives related to regular neighborhood concerns. He stated that the community concerns brought to the December meeting have formed the basis for their analysis. Boston Tower and Mitre have identified recent ongoing and planned work related to the actions and investigated other actions. They also identified criteria for assessing actions in this study.

There was some discussion around the Federal Aviation Administration documents slide. Art Flavin asked if the date listed for the documents was the most recent version. Ron Hardaway asked about the document titled "Applicability: Relation to Part 36." Mitre will complete the list and ensure the dates listed represent, the most up to date version of the documents and that all Title references are complete.

Fran Rowan asked how changes or modifications are made to the standards listed. Vince Scarano (FAA Airports) answered that changes within the agency service or technology

or policy causes updates to be developed, otherwise it requires a legislative action. Fran Rowan expressed concern about how we measure and address the significant burden to some communities who are more heavily impacted by the airport in contrast with the broad based benefits experienced in many communities due to changes in technology (Stage 3) to the community overall. She indicated that the people living in communities very close in to the airport always feel distrust and alienation. She expressed hope that this analysis would make a difference.

John Melecio (ATC BOS) added that from an FAA point of view, we see all people the same and we are committed to applying the regulations questions evenly and fairly.

Fran Rowan added that they were not simply complaining, they were committed to making a difference. Ron Hardaway asked if we would be finalizing the Taxiway November analysis first, then addressing the Centerfield Taxiway. Joe Sinnott (Mitre) said yes.

Buddy Borgioli (BOS ATC) reviewed the Operational Directives and talked about priorities covered in the ATC handbook. 2.1.2. (Slide #7). Art Flavin asked how putting many aircraft on Taxiway November would bear on this Air Traffic Operational Directive. He understood from the slide that ATC could do what they felt they needed to on the airfield. Buddy Borgioli answered that this discussion was in response to a community request to implement a procedure that did not include a "when feasible" clause for aircraft on Taxiway November. Sometimes that cannot be applied. Priorities of safety must prevail.

Ron Hardaway commented that his intent was never to impose any unrealistic or unsafe noise abatement procedures. It has always been about assisting with community impact.

Art Flavin added that he sympathized with ATC, but the amount of air traffic is so significant that something must be done.

Buddy Borgioli explained that safety was the priority. He added that Air Traffic Control was responsible to expedite the organized flow of air traffic. Other duties can be accomplished whenever feasible.

Art Flavin expressed concern that the scope was very narrow. He asked why we were only looking at air traffic procedures. Buddy Borgioli explained that later in the presentation, it would be more enlightening. More information would follow that offered an example of holding A/C on 22R and how it would limit their ability to deplete A/C holding on TW November in queue. The Noise Study, Buddy Borgioli added, would be looking at more broad noise issues. We are zeroed in on this study to analyze Taxiway November activity.

Ron Hardaway commented that this study is looking at departures on 22R, yet the citizen representatives did not bring that up. Buddy Borgioli said that was true, but that ATC attempted to go beyond the analysis required and look at potentially viable options.



Harvey Maibor commented that holding or not holding on Taxiway November was not significant because if they are not held on the Taxiway, they move to 22R and there would be even more noise. Art Flavin added that the number of aircraft was an issue.

Fran Rowan felt the tour of the Tower was a good idea. She added that it made it easier to understand.

Buddy Borgioli explained that ATC intended to go out to the communities of Boston and Winthrop when the wind was in the right alignment to observe the activity from a community perspective. He asked for contact information to let the citizen members know when ATC would be in their neighborhoods. He invited them to join him if they were available to do so.

Art Flavin asked about stress on the controllers! John Melecio responded that airline economics dictated how busy they were and he expressed that he saw the ATC role as one of customer service.

Art Flavin added that he liked the idea of us doing the study together; he was concerned that ultimately the study might indicate that nothing could be done due to controller workload.

There was a discussion about the amount of options over which this group had control. The citizens wanted the study to be meaningful and make a difference. Buddy Borgioli expressed commitment to do what they could within the limits of the scope of the study to make a difference to the communities of Winthrop and Boston. He added that this technical team was formed to see if we could do something to improve conditions for the Taxiway communities through this review and analysis.

Toni D'Avolio asked what would happen if the injunction on 14/32 was lifted? Bettina Peronti answered that we are not considering 14/32 as part of our study.

Ron Hardaway commented that the issue of berms should really be thought out. It could protect the beach as well. If it could be done it may offer an enhancement, he felt.

Joe Sinnott responded that Massport had done a great deal of analysis, as he understood, and they would have to follow up on that research before reaching any conclusions. There may be an impact to safety, such as an impact to protected surfaces or required separations.

Art Flavin expressed his frustration with the Air Traffic Operational Directives. He felt that the guidance was loosely written and covered all situations as long as it was deemed 'not feasible' by air traffic control. He was concerned that there may not be any effort required to really try to make a difference.

Fran Rowan wanted to move on and offer an opportunity to allow creativity to prevail.

Buddy discussed the standard operating procedures of the air traffic control tower. He went over the morning meeting, log review, listen to tapes, and discuss deviations. He explained that they communicate in great detail about activity and investigate—(i.e. an aircraft turned right over Winthrop) with the information they have available.

Bettina and Joe S. explained, in response to Toni D'Avolio's question about Mitre's relationship to FAA, that Mitre was contracted to do the study and help with the research. Mitre brings a different perspective.

Art Flavin stated that Secretary Durand made a commitment to the communities that there would be a baseline data conditions report.

Fran Rowan echoed his message and read a passage from Jetport, the Boston Airport Controversy, by Dorothy Nelson. She expressed frustration with air pollution.

Art Flavin shared his concern for the 'near-field effect' of air pollution. He said that aircraft are most inefficient when they are on the ground, and models don't capture that.

Gail Lattrell committed to get back to Art (and the group) concerning the location of the existing air quality monitors and to share with the group what the level of technology is that is being utilized.

All agreed that we needed information from Massport to clarify this matter.

Art Flavin felt the phone complaint line operated by the airport was not working. Fran Rowan believed it to be a staffing issue.

Harvey Maibor believed the phone communication was an important one that should be available and it no longer occurs.

Art Flavin referred to page five of the Mass Certificate of the Secretary of Environmental Affairs on the final impact report (enclosed). He read, "...In addition, Massport shall conduct follow up air quality monitoring in neighborhoods surrounding the airport and under the flight path of Logan Airport, in consultation with DEP and DPH. This information will provide valuable baseline data for future studies." Art then posed the question, "How can we not address this issue when it is so clearly stated in the Certificate?"

Vince Scarano indicated that if it was in the Certificate it was going to be addressed.

Ed Patten offered information that Massport will not pursue Secretary Durand's air quality initiative.

Vince Scarano replied that he would follow up with Massport to determine whether or not they intend to comply with Secretary Durand's directive.

(Followup...) Massport subsequently stated that that while the air quality monitoring will be accomplished, it was stated that the monitoring will be done if the centerfield taxiway is approved. Massport also stated that they do intend to comply with Secretary Durand's air quality initiative. Massport volunteered to keep NOX emissions at 1999 levels and to report annually to MEPA as part of the GIER. Since the reporting requirement began they have kept within the 1999 levels of NOX. While this is not germane to the FAA taxiway study, this information is provided to clarify some points brought up within the discussion.

Joe Sinnott explained the changing fleet is introducing more and more regional jets and fewer turboprops. It has had the effect of lessening air traffic control's ability to stagger the traffic.

Fran noted that she researched quieter engines and the regional jets seemed to offer some relief from the noise.

Vince S. added that the Part 136 Noise Measurement is a public document and that aircraft cannot be certificated unless they meet the requirements.

Joe continued to go over page 10 of the power point presentation.

Art Flavin wanted it on the record that air quality was an issue, and that the study recognizes that although the air quality component may not be addressed comprehensively in this study, it was still a serious concern for the communities.

Joe continued with the presentation. He discussed page 15, which included air quality, noise, safety, and security and water quality.

Fran said that she went to an audiologist from Harvard University and he told her that the frequency of noise at an airport causes a lack of concentration. No study has been done to date to look at the big picture. The entire Big Dig project, Fran commented, seems to focus on getting people in and out of the airport.

Joe shared that there was a wide variety of noise in the environment of the airport. There are trains, trucks, planes, etc. The taxi noise of aircraft seemed to him to be the lesser offender, but it was persistent and that created an annoyance.

Ron Hardaway echoed that the disturbance factor was accurate and significant.

Fran added that she wanted to understand what exactly the impact of the airport was doing to the neighbors—was the airport creating air pollutants that were making neighbors sick.

Joe discussed that the studies accomplished to date have been inconclusive. While many studies have been done, none conclusively link airport air quality to disease.

Art Flavin agreed that this analysis was outside the scope of the study.

Joe continued the presentation.

Buddy Borgioli responded to concerns of safety and security describing the role of the Joint Terrorism Task Force. He encouraged the group to call the State Police with security concerns and they would welcome the information and the call.

All agreed that the study had a great deal of work to cover and that much would be done in the summer months.

The group would likely be reconvening in late summer or in the fall.

Gail Lattrell/ANE/FAA  
08/25/2003 10:32 AM

To "Ronald Hardaway" <RHH118@msn.com>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Re: Minutes of 4/17 meeting and schedule for next session [1]

No you are not, Ron! I passed along your concern to Buddy Borgioli and suggested that we send out information to the group to share what efforts have been happening in the hiatus between meetings. I will let you know.

Also--I plan to put your concern as item number one on the next agenda for a meeting.

Gail

Gail Lattrell/ANE/FAA  
09/17/2003 01:32 PM

To RHH118@msn.com  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Taxiway Study

Hello Ron--

I got your message. Thank you for calling. I spoke with Buddy Borgioli to share your concern for inaction and he does not have a timetable for the next meeting as yet, but it should be able to occur sometime this fall. They have had meetings with Mitre and HMMH to determine what needs to be done in the analysis for air quality and noise for Taxiway November. A scope of environmental work for the consultants has not been finalized as yet.

They are hoping to get some opportunity at the end of this week, perhaps on September 19th, to observe the airport in the neighborhoods when using the Runway 22 configuration to move air traffic. You may be receiving a call from Buddy to see if you would like to join them in their observation. The dates on which they go are weather dependent and it would be hard to pin down exactly. They will likely be going in the early evening or late afternoon to best capture traffic.

Nothing else to report at this time. I will keep you posted. Talk with you soon. Gail

Gail Lattrell//ANE/FAA  
11/07/2003 02:35 PM

To "Ronald Hardaway" <RHH118@msn.com>  
cc Bettina Peront//ANE/FAA@FAA, "Bob D'Amico"  
<Bob.D'Amico@cityofboston.gov>  
bcc  
Subject Re: Please Schedule the 3rd Taxiway Evaluation Meeting. [1]

Ron--the project has been moving slowly. It is absolutely not intentional and certainly not by design. There was some delay in getting a scope of environmental work and there have been some personnel shiftings within the tower. We have scheduled a telecon in the middle of next week to figure out what has transpired since we last met and to share the information among FAA. I will call you, or email you and the other five citizen representatives after our telecon and let you know what is next. Thank you for your patience. Gail



"Ronald Hardsway"  
<rh118@msn.com>  
11/15/2003 12:22 PM

To: Gail Lattrell//ANE/FAA@FAA  
cc  
bcc  
Subject: Re: taxiway study information

Thank you, Gail for the update. Regards, Ron

----- Original Message -----  
From: <gail.lattrell@faa.gov>  
To: <RH118@msn.com>  
Sent: Friday, November 14, 2003 2:49 PM  
Subject: taxiway study information

> Hello Ron,  
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> We had an FAA taxiway telecon and there was a great deal of energy for  
> moving ahead with the study and pursuing the environmental analysis with  
> the consultants to provide the information needed. The air traffic  
> control  
> tower and FAA environmental people are currently reviewing the scopes of  
> work submitted by both HMMH on noise and Grenier on the air quality  
> aspects. Once the scopes of work are complete and accepted, I will send  
> them to the six of you to help you to better understand the next steps.  
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> Have a nice weekend. Gail  
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