

Dear Mr Martin of the FAA:

I have not written to you before, but after 1.5 years of noise groups, SC and community meetings, I think I'm just weary enough to send one, not to mention only 6 hours of sleep for that entire time period. I'm not here to speak to you of flight paths, good or bad, because I'm weary of that too. I want you instead, to look around the chamber that you have had your back turned to for this entire time, which is quite a metaphor for the whole proceedings. If you do turn around, I want you to look at communities that are divided, disrupted, disrespected, and virtually overlooked by the agency you represent.

I'm loath to listen, again, to arguments pro and con, when told that the problem is complex and will take years to unravel. We live in a technology driven world, and it is very hard for me to grasp that this problem is so vast, that an exorbitant amount of time is needed. I do believe that it is merely a financial and time already invested problem.

In my world of pharmaceuticals, biotech and med devices, we cannot say to our patients that we 'don't believe' that your vaccinated child will develop polio. We can't say, 'we don't believe' that we will transplant a left leg onto your left stump or your HLA cross matched kidney will go to the correct recipient. We need to 'know' what we are doing and what we are working to achieve.

The idea of a 'notional' flight path is inconceivable. Do you 'know' this is the answer? We are held to a higher standard, as we should be, and the FAA, and technology allows us to work within this framework of 'knowing'. It is your agency's 'advanced' technology that has brought us to this very painful place. After failing in every Metroplex that NextGen (indeed!) has been unleashed, it must be abundantly clear that humans cannot live under a constant barrage of noise. We don't need another WHO one hundred thirty page research paper to verify that premise. Just turn around and LOOK AT US.

Mr Martin, we are weary, but we have not given up. We demand clear, concise answers to an entire Bay Area problem, as complex as it is

unfathomable to a reasonable person that we should be providing solutions to you. I do believe that this has been an exercise to stall for time, disrupting communities in the hopes that we would just grow tired and slip away. What moral and ethical dilemmas have been wrought, can be repaired. We deserve, each and every one of us, to have a return to normalcy, to sleep, and to enjoy our lives.