

The Role of the FAA in the Part 150 Process

Noise Exposure Maps (NEMs)

The FAA conducts reviews and validates the operational assumptions used to develop the NEMs. Based on this evaluation, the FAA:

- Indicates whether the NEM's are in compliance with applicable Federal requirements, and
- Publishes a notice of NEM compliance in the Federal Register, including where and when the NEM's and related documentation are available for public inspection.

Noise Compatibility Program (NCP)

The FAA conducts an evaluation of each noise compatibility program and, based on that evaluation, either approves or disapproves the program. The evaluation includes consideration of proposed measures to determine whether they:

- May create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce (including unjust discrimination);
- Are reasonably consistent with obtaining the goal of reducing existing noncompatible land uses and preventing the introduction of additional noncompatible land uses;
- Include the use of new or modified flight procedures to control the operation of aircraft for purposes of noise control, or affect flight procedures in any way;
- The evaluation may also include an evaluation of those proposed measures to determine whether they may adversely affect the exercise of the authority and responsibilities of the Administrator under the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended.

The Administrator approves programs if:

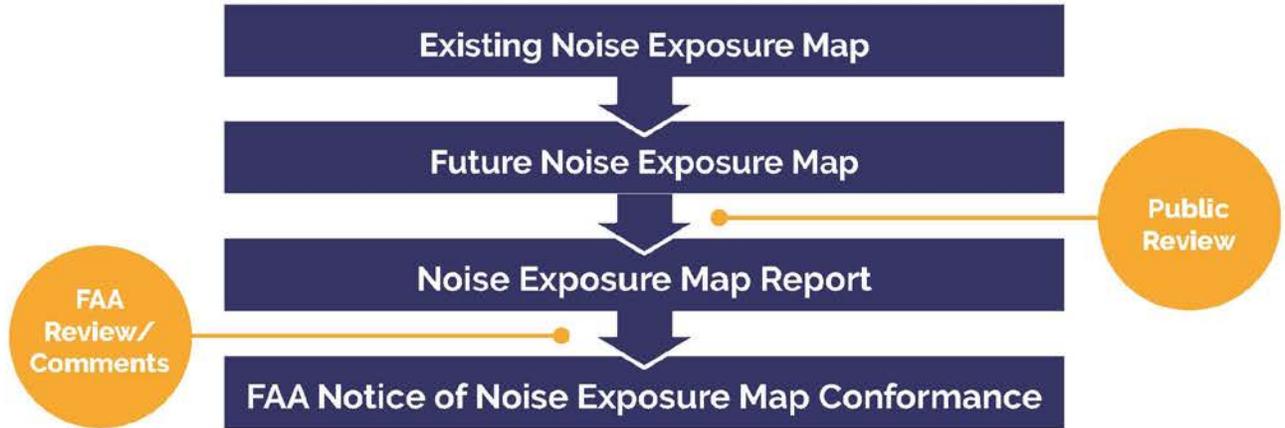
- Program measures to be implemented would not create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce and are reasonable consistent with achieving the goals of reducing existing noncompatible land uses around the airport and of preventing the introduction of additional noncompatible land uses;
- The program provides for revision if made necessary by the revision of the NEM's;
- Those aspects of programs relating to the use of flight procedures for noise control can be implemented within the period covered by the program and WITHOUT:
 - Reducing the level of aviation safety provided;
 - Derogating the requisite level of protection for aircraft, their occupants, and persons and property on the ground
 - Adversely affecting the efficient use and management of the Navigable Airspace and Air Traffic Control Systems; or
 - Adversely affecting any other powers and responsibilities of the Administrator prescribed by law or any other program, standard, or requirement established in accordance with law.

Source: Title 14 CFR Part 150.



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