

Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable
Funding Structure
for the Operation and Activities of the
Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable

A. Background

With approximately 320,000 annual take-offs and landings on three runways, Centennial Airport ranks among the busiest general aviation airports in the United States. Those aircraft operations affect residents in nearly a dozen cities and towns and in the unincorporated areas of two counties.

In 1998, ACPAA initiated a voluntary FAA 14 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 150 Noise Compatibility Program (NCP) to analyze and examine community noise impacts from Centennial Airport aircraft operations. The need for a plan was due in part to the rapid commercial and residential growth in the airport environs, the on-going increase in airport operations, and a need to reduce and mitigate the noise impacts that users of the airport create on surrounding communities. The outcome of the five-year study to develop a plan produced a list of 12 recommendations. Those recommendations included several key actions, such as establishing a Fly Quiet Program, installing an aircraft noise monitoring system, and creating an on-going committee body to address aircraft noise issues impacting the communities surrounding Centennial Airport and to monitor programs implemented as a result of the adoption of the ACPAA Noise Compatibility Program, including the Fly Quiet Program guidelines and the Noise Monitoring Program. That body became known as the Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable (CACNR).

CACNR's purpose, subsequently developed by an ACPAA-retained consultant and adopted in 2009, stated CACNR "is a voluntary association of the Airport Authority (ACPAA), neighboring communities, federal and state agencies, and airport users. It is created to address aircraft noise issues impacting the communities surrounding Centennial Airport. In a non-adversarial, interactive and collaborative open forum, CACNR will seek to identify the dimension of noise issues, discover possible mitigation actions, find opportunities for implementation, and evaluate the effectiveness of the mitigations. While CACNR's initial efforts in the development and implementation of a Work Program will be directed to noise issues associated with current aircraft operations, consideration of future noise issues also will be addressed, including interaction with roundtable activities at other airports."

Through its membership of locally appointed community representatives, the ACPAA, airport users, and key staff from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Division of Aeronautics, CACNR acts as a forum that attempts to achieve cooperation between all of these groups in achieving airport noise reduction.

B. Existing Annual Funding

CACNR has historically and is currently funded solely by the Arapahoe County Public Airport Authority (ACPAA), as part of its annual budget. CACNR Regular Members (nine cities/towns and two counties) have not financially contributed annual funding to CACNR. CACNR receives an annual amount of \$10,000 from the ACPAA budget, and per ACPAA current fiscal policy, any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year must be returned to ACPAA and cannot be carried over to the next fiscal year. This structure limits CACNR's ability to address the aircraft noise issues of concern to its Members.

C. Existing CACNR Support

Some technical staff support is provided to CACNR by ACPAA, via its staff, and through consultants retained by ACPAA or from CACNR's allotted funds. ACPAA staff also provide some administrative and operational support. However, most of the oversight of CACNR administration, operations, and activities is provided through the voluntary efforts of the CACNR officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer) and others who are all appointed Representatives from CACNR's Members. CACNR does not have any dedicated staff to assist with the implementation and oversight of its operations and activities, nor to provide research or recommendations to it on key airport noise issues.

CACNR FUNDING STRUCTURE

To address the need to dedicate sufficient resources for pursuing implementation of effective aircraft noise mitigation actions, including retaining potential staff or consultant support to assist CACNR regarding operations, coordination with advisory agencies, and input on key issues, the current CACNR funding structure will be revised as follows:

A. Annual Funding from Regular Members

1. Arapahoe County Public Airport Authority (ACPAA)
The current annual funding in the amount of \$10,000 from ACPAA would remain in place for the next two fiscal years, although CACNR acknowledges the actual appropriation of funds is subject to annual appropriation. Once appropriated, unused ACPAA funds may be used by CACNR in subsequent years.
2. Cities/Towns/Counties
This will generate funding that is comparable to the amount currently provided by ACPAA, thereby creating more of a “partnership” between ACPAA and the communities in support of CACNR, and to improve CACNR’s ability to address the aircraft noise issues of concern to its Members.
3. The amount of annual funding from Regular Members would be structured as follows: (the funding from the two Counties is higher because they each have two Representatives):

The initial specific amounts will be as follows:

Arapahoe County	\$2,000	City of Cherry Hills Village	\$1,000
Douglas County	\$2,000	Town of Foxfield	\$ 250
City of Aurora	\$1,000	City of Greenwood Village	\$1,000
City of Castle Pines	\$1,000	City of Lone Tree	\$1,000
Town of Castle Rock	\$1,000	Town of Parker	<u>\$1,000</u>
City of Centennial	\$1,000	TOTAL	<u>\$12,250</u>

B. Total Annual Funding

Under this structure, annual funding would initially generate a total of \$22,250 as follows:

ACPAA	\$10,000
CACNR Regular Members	<u>\$12,250</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$22,250</u>

This funding structure would be in place for the next two years, subject to annual appropriations. Thereafter, CACNR will provide ACPAA and each Regular Member with a report on the previous year’s expenditures, and an annual invoice accompanied by a proposed budget indicating how the requested funds would be utilized, so that funds could be appropriated for the coming year.

Pursuant to C.R.S. 29-1-110, as amended, the financial obligations of the Regular Members and the ACPAA as set forth herein after the current fiscal year are contingent upon funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise available.

C. Restricted/Designated Fund

Funds received from the ACPAA and the other Regular Members shall be deposited in a restricted, designated CACNR fund maintained by the ACPAA. Expenditures from that fund shall be made only upon the authorization of two members of the CACNR Executive Committee, one of which shall be either the CACNR Chair or Treasurer and shall be made upon such authorization. Any unspent funds in a fiscal year shall be carried over to the next fiscal year.

D. Revision

Annual funding from Regular Members may be revised by a majority vote of the CACNR Regular Members’ Representatives.

E. Sample CACNR Budget

The expenditure amounts in the right-hand columns below are examples to illustrate how the additional funds could be distributed to improve CACNR’s operations and aircraft noise mitigation efforts. Note the funds assigned to Work Program items, to direct specific CACNR resources to effective aircraft noise mitigation

actions. The contingency fund is a discretionary flexible fund for unforeseen expenses. The actual annual expenditure items and related amounts will be determined by CACNR as part of its annual Work Program planning and budgeting process.

CACNR Budget Example

Income:

ACPAA	\$10,000
Regular Members	<u>\$12,250</u>
	<u>\$22,250</u>

Expenditures:

Estimated Amounts

A.	Work Program	\$ 6,750
	1. Community Outreach	\$2,250
	2. Fly Quiet Program Development	\$2,250
	3. Use of Noise Monitor Data	\$2,250
B.	Overall Operations Support Activities	\$ 9,500
	1. Travel/Training/Education	\$ 4,000
	2. Membership Dues	\$ 1,000
	3. Consultation/Staff Support	\$ 4,500
C.	Administration/Operations	\$ 5,000
	1. Part-time staff support	\$ 1,000
	2. CACNR web site support	\$ 3,000
	3. Printing/copying	\$ 250
	4. Other	\$ 750
	(newsletter, annual report, etc.)	
D.	Contingency fund	<u>\$1,000</u>
	Total	<u>\$22,250</u>

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CACNR Regular Members have executed the Funding Structure for the Operation and Activities of the Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable in counterparts as of the date set forth below.

Dated this 21st day of May, 2019.

ON BEHALF OF CACNR REGULAR MEMBER THE TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK

Jason Gray, Mayor

Bob Slentz, Town Attorney

ATTEST:

Lisa Anderson, Town Clerk