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Mr. Denny Schneider  
Chair, LAX/Community Noise Roundtable  
c/o Los Angeles World Airports Noise Management  
1 World Way  
Los Angeles, CA 90009

Dear Chairman Schneider:

Thank you for your letter to Deputy Regional Administrator Tamara Swann, dated September 27, 2021, regarding a proposal to create a procedure to replace the LADYJ departure procedure.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) appreciates the continued efforts that the Metroplex/Wide Area Ad Hoc Committee of the Los Angeles International Airport/Community Noise Roundtable (LAX Roundtable) has made to address the noise issues in and around the Los Angeles area. As to your specific request to create a new departure procedure to replace the LADYJ, we ask that the Roundtable work with Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) to submit this request via the Instrument Flight Procedures (IFP) Information Gateway. Please note that asking the LAX Roundtable to submit an IFP Information Gateway request does not constitute an approval or denial of the procedure; the entry ensures that the appropriate FAA parties review the request. All technical requests are treated the same during the standard FAA review process. If appropriate, a full feasibility study and environmental review will be completed. This process, from start to implementation, can take more than two years; however, you will receive updates throughout the process on the status. The link to submit a request is [https://www.faa.gov/air\\_traffic/flight\\_info/aeronav/procedures/](https://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/flight_info/aeronav/procedures/).

The submittal will also need to specify the time frame the replacement procedure would be used, since it was not addressed in your original proposal. As you may or may not know, we typically cease using the LADYJ after 9 p.m. local time, and it is unclear if you anticipate the same usage for the replacement proposal.

Additionally, if this proposal were to move forward, LAWA and/or the LAX Roundtable would be responsible for community engagement with the potentially impacted communities. The FAA would provide technical assistance with respect to briefing materials of proposed procedures or any federal actions.

We thank you for your continued collaborative work with LAX Roundtable member and non-member communities impacted by LAX aviation noise. We appreciate the working relationship that we have with you and members of the LAX Roundtable. Our mission is to provide the

safest, most efficient aerospace system in the world. We will continually strive to improve the safety and efficiency of flight in this country. If we can be of further assistance, please contact my office at (424) 405-7000.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Raquel Girvin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "G".

Raquel Girvin  
Regional Administrator