

SOUTHEASTConnections

Citizens Encouraged to Comment on Centennial Airport Noise Recommendations

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The impact of aircraft noise on residents living near airports has been a major concern across the U.S. for many years. At issue is the conflict between aircraft flying to and from airports, and nearby citizens' expectations of peace and quiet. In 1998, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) funded the Noise Compatibility Program for Centennial Airport. The basis for the Noise Compatibility Program is the 12 recommendations listed below. The airport is permitted to implement recommendations that have been approved by the FAA, including obtaining federal funding to pay for some of the recommendations. It should be remembered that certain recommendations are subject to safety reviews due to impacts on traffic from DIA and Buckley Air Force Base. Now is the time for residents to voice their opinions on the 12 recommendations that have been 10 years in the making.

1. Ban all Stage 1 aircraft.
2. Ban Stage 2 aircraft between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m..
3. Fly a 010-degree departure heading for business jets between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m..
4. Flight test a 350-010 degrees "fan" departure heading on a 24-hour basis.
5. Eliminate the "preferential runway" use procedure.
6. Fly a 170-degree departure heading for approximately four miles before executing a + 20-degree turn.
7. Amend Zoning and Planning documents to accommodate compatible development.
8. Establish a Noise Office.
9. Acquire and install a radar-linked noise monitoring system.
10. Establish a "Fly Quiet" Program for pilots.
11. Conduct periodic reviews of plans and operational procedures.
12. Establish a standing "Roundtable" of stakeholders.

Citizens are encouraged to review the 12 recommendations and provide their comments to the FAA by April 22, 2008. Visit www.centennialairport.com for more details.

-Provided by the City of Greenwood Village

Construction Schedule for Arapahoe Road

In March, construction activity began on Arapahoe Rd. from Downing St. to Race St.. This construction is occurring in the center traffic lanes of Arapahoe and is scheduled to be complete by May 7, 2008.

Construction consists of storm drainage improvements in this area. Traffic will be routed to the two outside lanes of Arapahoe Rd. for the duration of this project.

Access to High St. and Race St. via Arapahoe Rd. will be interrupted in April.

- April 9-19 access to High St. via Arapahoe Rd. will be interrupted from 7am-6pm.
- April 23-May 8 access to Race St. via Arapahoe Rd. will be interrupted from 7am-6pm.

Alternate access will be provided and all roads are intended to be fully open after 6pm each day.

-Provided by the City of Centennial

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New Federal Transit Administration regulation require RTD to adjust all special services so fares will be consistent with RTD fixed route fares

RTD must comply with new regs; many special services fares will be changed including RockiesRide and BroncosRide.

The RTD announced that newly adopted Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations require that RTD's special services fares must correspond with the transit agency's base fare categories of Local, Express or Regional. While many of the special services fares will remain the same, the new federal regulations will require lowering some special services fares and increasing other special services fares.

The FTA recently issues a final rule regarding special services such as RTD's RockiesRide, BroncosRide, BuffRide to CU, CU/CSU football games at Invesco Field at Mile High, Race for the Cure and RunRide to the Bolder Boulder. As of April 2008, these types of services will be allowed only if the fares charged are the same as those charged for similar fixed route services.

RockiesRide, which will begin operating in April, operates from 14 locations throughout the metro area. The current fare is a consistent \$3 one-way from any of the Denver area locations. Metro area prices will remain the same. To comply with the new FTA regulations those RockiesRide locations from Boulder and Longmont will need to be increased to \$4 one-way, an increase of \$1. Please contact RTD at 303-399-6089 or www.RTD-Denver.com for more info.

*-Information provided by RTD
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Possible North Meadows Drive Extension to US 85 and I-25 Project

Recently, the Town of Castle Rock and Douglas County, along with CDOT and the Federal Highway Administration have initiated a re-evaluation of the possible need for an additional roadway connection from North Meadows Drive to US 85 and to I-25 Project. The purpose of this study is to identify if there is a need to relieve the existing and future congestion in and around the Meadows/Founders Interchange, and improve operational deficiencies along the major transportation corridors rather than just focusing on the connection of North Meadows Drive to US 85. A Public Open House to discuss the Environmental Assessment process will be held on Wed., April 23rd from 5-7p.m. at the Castle View High School. *-Provided by Douglas County*

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