We’re Listening

The Duluth Airport is conducting a Noise Study
Here’s why that matters

We’re an active, integral part of our community, and that means we pride ourselves on being a good neighbor.

Part of being a good neighbor is understanding the impact you may have on those around you. While we can’t eliminate the sounds of a thriving airport, we can certainly try to mitigate them.

The first step in that plan? A Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study.
Caring For Our Community

Our Noise Study will identify ways to reduce or mitigate sound levels that impact noise-sensitive areas, as well as recommend measures to reduce or mitigate future impact.

What is a Part 150 Noise Study?

Part 150 Noise studies are planning studies that identify noise and land use impacts that exist today and in the future on and around the airport. The study works to develop solutions to noise where possible, within the regulatory framework.

Part 150 studies can open funding sources to reduce or mitigate noise around airports. Through a Part 150 Study, airports may become eligible for grants used to implement recommendations in the study. Part 150 studies do not recommend closing an airport or implementing mandatory restrictions on aircraft. Any noise abatement or land use programs that are recommended in a Part 150 Study will require formal environmental review before implementation.

Our Goals

Over the course of 18 months, the Duluth International Airport will partner with internationally recognized aviation planning firm Landrum & Brown to conduct the Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study. By the end, we will have a plan to:

- Reduce, where possible, current and future noise levels over existing residences and public noise sensitive facilities
- Reduce new noise-sensitive public developments near the airport
- Mitigate, where possible, adverse impacts in accordance with Federal guidelines
- Provide mitigation measures that are sensitive to the needs of the community and its stability
- Provide consistency, where possible, with local land use planning and development policies

Get Involved!

You can help guide the outcome of this plan! Interested in active participation on a committee, attending an open house or just learning more, visit the project web page. On the web page you can sign up for newsletters, check the project calendar and review project documents.

Website: DuluthAirport.com/Noise-Study

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