





## New Partnerships in 2015

its 2005 Record of Decision. The document identifies ONCC as the facilitating body with the responsibility to oversee O'Hare noise mitigation efforts, including the Fly Quiet and sound insulation programs.

The year 2015 has been pivotal for both O'Hare International Airport and the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission. An important convergence of circumstances has provided us with the charge, the tools and the talent to continue ONCC's leadership role to deal effectively with community noise issues.

My new role as ONCC chair, Ginger Evans' appointment as Chicago's aviation commissioner, the Federal Aviation Administration's environmental re-evaluation of the interim conditions associated with the O'Hare Modernization Program, and a newly collaborative relationship with the Suburban O'Hare Commission have brought a significant level of expertise, insight and energy to the O'Hare community.

ONCC renewed its pledge to perform the duties as described and recognized by the FAA in

The Commission sought effective ways to maintain open channels of communication and provide opportunities for public engagement. We re-energized our commitment to the ONCC mission, to reduce the impact of aircraft noise through home and school sound insulation, and to reduce aircraft noise, wherever possible, at its source through engagement with the FAA and CDA.

As promised, ONCC established an Ad Hoc Fly Quiet Committee to engage a broad constituency including SOC and Fair Allocation in Runways Coalition (FAiR) representatives to formulate recommendations for initiatives to further mitigate noise impacts. An interim Fly Quiet Program proposal, once finalized and voted on by ONCC membership, will be sent to the FAA for approval and subsequent implementation. ONCC will continue to monitor the program and recommend any future changes.

Last May, we hosted a Fly Quiet panel, which included national and regional FAA personnel, an O'Hare air traffic manager, chief pilots and representatives from American and United airlines, and CDA staff who discussed what role each plays in aircraft noise abatement.

ONCC members attended the October 15, 2016 commissioning of Runway 10R/28L and the new South Air Traffic Control Tower which completes the south airfield construction portion of the O'Hare Modernization Program.

Going forward, ONCC members and the city of Chicago agreed in 2015 to a new five-year Intergovernmental Agreement, which reinforces ONCC's oversight including the ability to recommend the use of new technologies and flight patterns; use of preferential runways; the implementation of sound insulation programs; the implementation of FAA's standards for noise abatement; and review of approach procedures.

I value the new working relationship between the Commission and the CDA. Commissioner Evans' initiative to

abate and mitigate aircraft noise for O'Hare communities, while maintaining the airport's role as a premier global hub, encourages us to strengthen our commitment to our mission and the 2.1 million residents we represent.



*From left, ONCC Chair Mayor Arlene A. Juracek, FAA Deputy Regional Administrator Christina Drouet and CDA Commissioner Ginger S. Evans attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new runway.*

We look forward to a busy and productive 2016, and welcome the challenges and opportunities it will bring.

Arlene A. Juracek  
ONCC Chair,  
Mayor of Mount Prospect



ONCC Chair Arlene A. Juracek joined Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel; CDA Commissioner Ginger S. Evans; FAA representatives; federal, state and local officials; and business leaders for the October 15, 2016 official ribbon cutting commemorating the opening of Runway 10R/28L, the South Air Traffic Control Tower and the completion of the south airfield at O'Hare International Airport. Runway 10R/28L is the fifth east/west parallel runway at O'Hare and the third new runway opened since 2008 as part of the O'Hare Modernization Program.

# Fly Quiet Committee Endorses Nighttime Noise Relief Plans



Fly Quiet is a voluntary nighttime noise abatement program established nearly 20 years ago. It encourages pilots and air traffic controllers to use designated preferential runways and flight tracks developed by the CDA in cooperation with ONCC and administered by the FAA.

Last fall, ONCC Chair and Mount Prospect Mayor Arlene A. Juracek named nine Chicago and suburban commission members, as well as guest representatives from the Suburban O'Hare Commission and Fair Allocation in Runways Coalition, to serve on an ad hoc Fly Quiet Committee to explore alternatives to nighttime noise abatement procedures.

The initiative followed an assessment by the FAA of interim environmental conditions of the O'Hare Modernization Program and CDA recommendations announced last summer.

## **Interim Conditions Warrant Modifications**

In its 2005 Record of Decision for the O'Hare Modernization Plan (OMP), the FAA stated that "it was not reasonable to either assume that there would be a new Fly Quiet Program or speculate about what a new Fly Quiet Program would be." The agency stated they would consider suggestions for program changes developed by ONCC and recommended by the CDA.

For the last five months, aviation consultants Landrum & Brown (representing the CDA) and JDA Aviation Solutions (representing SOC) have provided the committee a thorough technical assessment of potential modification opportunities and identified technical requirements and related implementation steps.

The committee reviewed data, discussed recommended options, analyzed refinements to initial presentations and in January 2016 voted on recommended departure procedure criteria.

The following month, they approved criteria to establish a weekly nighttime runway rotation proposal designed to achieve a more balanced distribution of noise exposure.

"Our goal is to bring relief quickly to communities most impacted by nighttime noise," said Committee Chair Joseph Annunzio. "Approval of the Fly Quiet II runway rotation proposal puts testing of a runway rotation plan on a fast track."

The Fly Quiet II proposal contains a set of criteria that includes plans to alternate East and West Flow runway use to further distribute noise exposure more evenly; use of Runway 14R/32L for nighttime operations; a request for the FAA to conduct a six-month test and monitor performance; seeks citizen feedback during the test phase; and

requires full ONCC review after testing prior to finalization.

The committee also voted to approve modifications to the Fly Quiet program, dividing it into three periods to address operations during the late evening, overnight and early morning hours.

Mayor Juracek said she was encouraged by the committee's action. "We heard different points of view, everyone listened to each other and a productive discussion took place," she said. "It was a group of people who wanted to reach a decision. The committee took an important step forward toward putting the wheels in motion on an Interim Fly Quiet Plan."

The Fly Quiet Committee will present all of the proposals to the full ONCC membership for consideration in March. If approved by the ONCC, the CDA will package and submit it to the FAA for review and approval. Implementation of the rotation plan as a test program could begin as early as May 2016.

CDA Commissioner Ginger S. Evans told the committee last fall that whatever the outcome of an interim proposal, once full build out was completed, Fly Quiet modifications would need to be revisited.

# ONCC Membership Grows; Oversees Soundproofing; Increases Noise Monitors

ONCC has steadily increased the number of residents it represents since 2013, when O'Hare reconfigured flights to an east/west parallel pattern with the commissioning of Runway 10C/28C. Today, approximately 2.1 million residents rely on ONCC as their voice to advocate for aircraft noise relief.

As more areas experienced jet noise, DuPage County convened an ad hoc committee in 2014 to explore ways to relieve aircraft noise. In 2015, DuPage County, representing 916,924 citizens, Hanover Park and Lincolnwood all signed intergovernmental agreements with the city of Chicago to join ONCC.

Last summer, ONCC collaborated with the CDA, the FAA and aviation experts and met with citizens impacted by O'Hare noise to discuss new mitigation initiatives. The FAA completed a re-evaluation of interim conditions for O'Hare's modernization. The CDA wrote and presented a series of white papers tasking ONCC to hold "citizen forums" to address and find workable solutions for noise relief.

In addition to monitoring O'Hare's Fly Quiet Program, ONCC convened an ad hoc committee to recommend nighttime noise modifications to the program under interim conditions until Runway 9C/27C is commissioned in 2020.

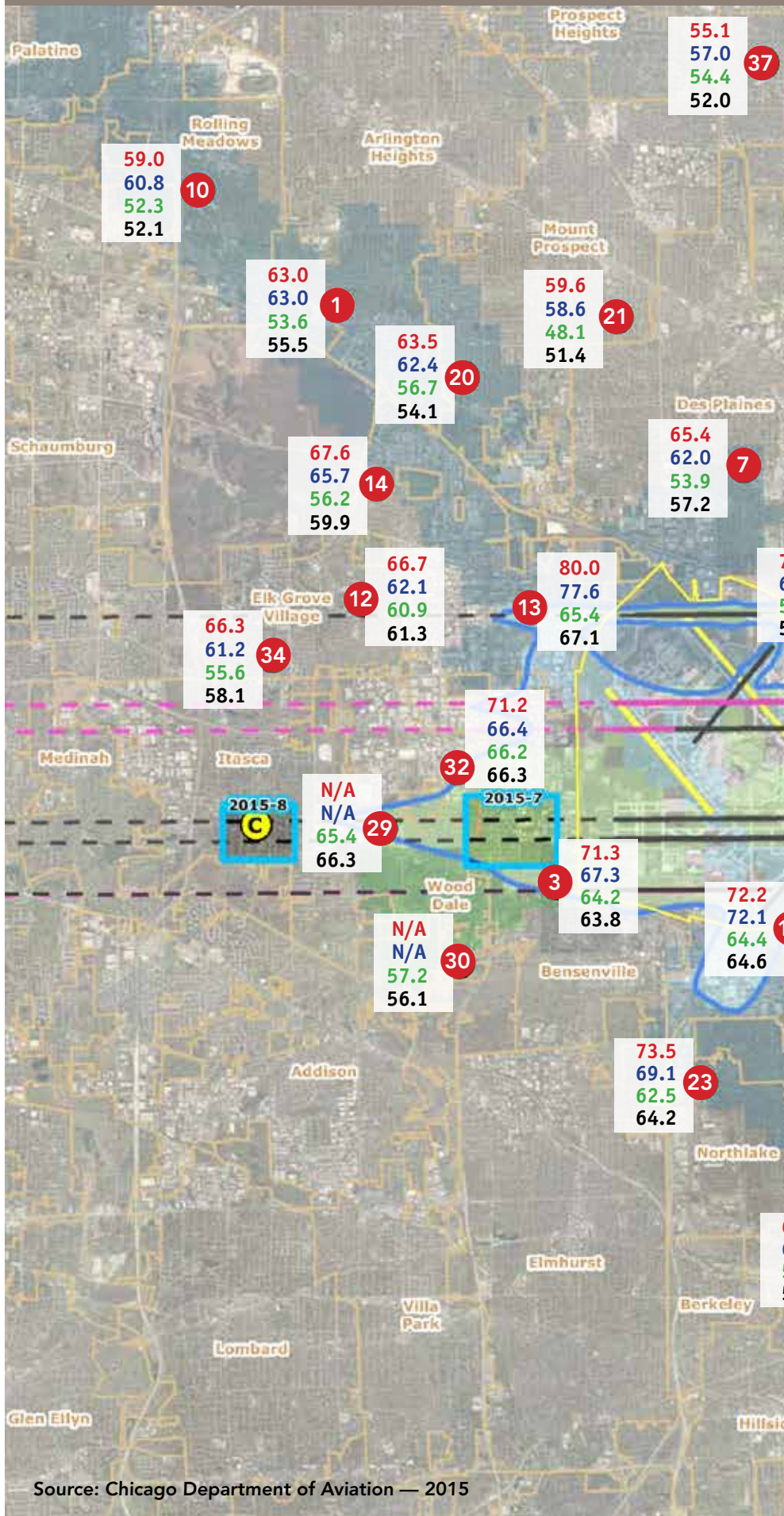
The School Sound Insulation Committee monitored the CDA's completion of sound insulation for Ebinger Elementary School, located in Chicago Ward 41. It was the last qualified school to be insulated under the O'Hare Modernization Program.

The Residential Sound Insulation Committee monitored the completion of Phase 16, which included a pilot program for four historic homes. Today approximately 10,925 homes have been sound insulated; two new phases began construction and registration in early 2016.

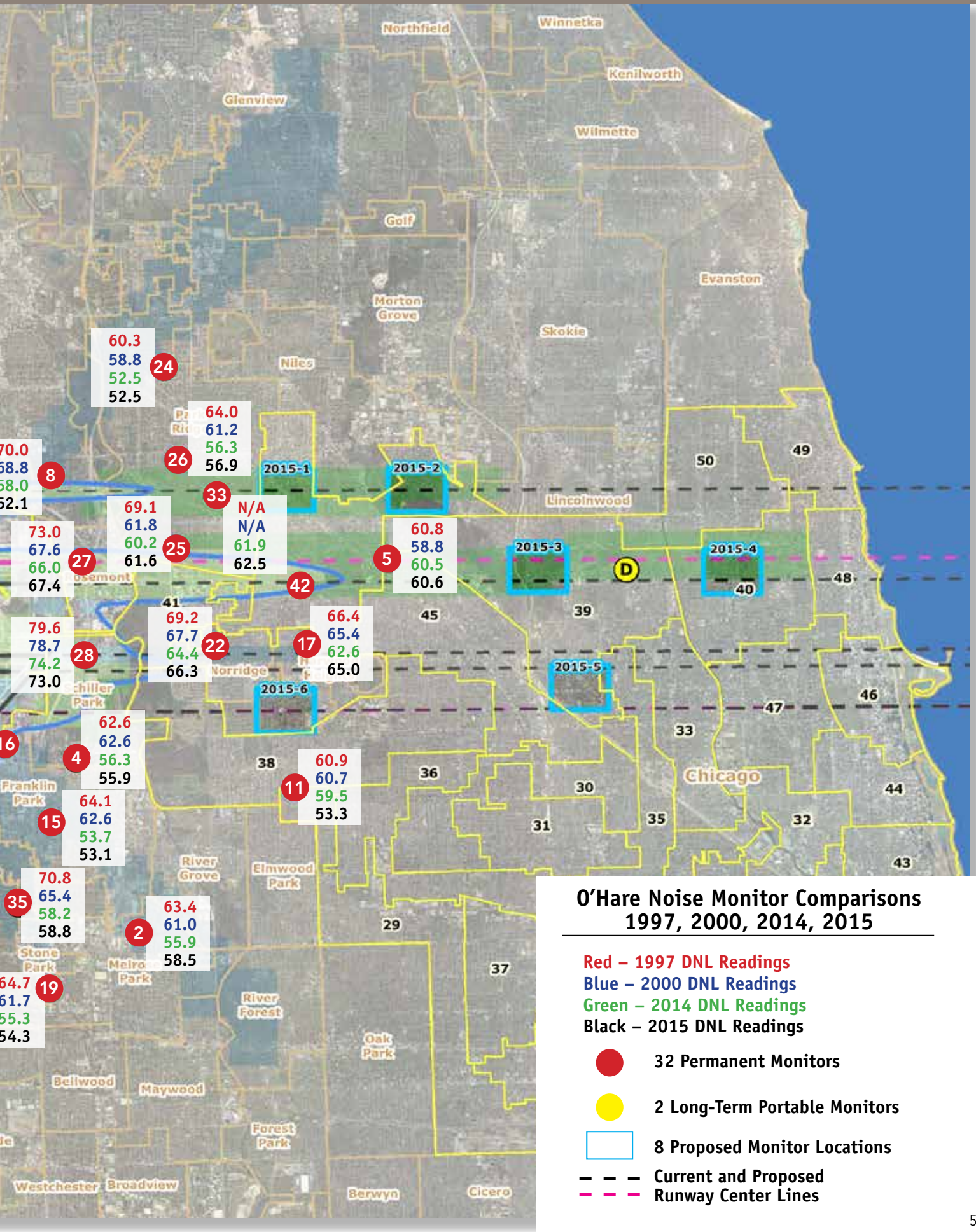
ONCC continues to monitor Fly Quiet procedures, oversee residential sound insulation for qualified homes and seek ways to abate noise for homeowners during interim conditions. Members attend research symposiums to learn about advanced aircraft technology and share ideas with other community noise advocates.

ONCC continues to support feasible state and federal legislation to alleviate aircraft noise and makes every effort to engage in citizen dialog as it advances methods for noise relief.

# O'Hare Permanent and Proposed Noise Monitor Locations



Source: Chicago Department of Aviation — 2015



# CDA Commissioner Evans Energizes O'Hare's Future



Ginger S. Evans, named Chicago Department of Aviation commissioner in May 2015, is addressing an ongoing concern of neighbors living near O'Hare International Airport—changing jet noise patterns.

Within two months of her appointment, Evans issued a 24-point work plan for consideration by ONCC, the FAA, legislators and communities near O'Hare. As a result, ONCC formed an ad hoc Fly Quiet Committee to actively pursue options to modify aircraft noise over dense populations.

Evans, ONCC Chair Arlene Juracek, the Fly Quiet Committee, and aviation consultants Landrum & Brown and JDA Aviation Solutions are working to initiate anti-noise options such as a revised nighttime program that may include alternate flight patterns for departing aircraft and a runway rotation timetable.

In February 2016 Evans announced a \$1.3 billion O'Hare infrastructure plan that includes construction of a north east-west runway projected for completion in 2020. Runway 9C/27C is expected to "balance noise exposure among communities east and west of O'Hare," explained Evans. The plan also includes a centralized deicing facility and a new taxiway system.

Evans brings more than 30 years of executive experience in aviation construction and management to her new assignment including major construction projects at Reagan National, Dulles, and Denver International airports.



ONCC, an internationally recognized commission of aviation environmental advocates, seeks to reduce aircraft noise through residential and school sound insulation programs and technological advances.

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The FAA holds re-evaluation workshops where over 2,200 citizens attended four FAA workshops in August to express their concerns regarding aircraft noise and the re-evaluation of interim conditions during O'Hare's modernization efforts. ONCC requested the FAA to increase its original schedule from two workshops to four meetings that were held in Chicago, Niles, Bensenville and Elk Grove Village.

## New ONCC Officers Promote Open Dialog in 2015

Commission members approved a new slate of officers in 2015. Mount Prospect Mayor Arlene A. Juracek became the second chair in 18 years to lead the Chicago and suburban noise coalition.

"This is a time to build consensus," said Juracek as she assumed her new role. "ONCC meetings should allow for more open dialog and informative presentations. It is up to the Commission to facilitate those discussions, provide a forum in which to debate the pros and cons, and then reach an agreement."

Prior to being elected in 2013 as mayor of Mount Prospect, a community of 54,000 residents situated northwest of O'Hare, Juracek served as a village trustee for six years. Juracek, whose background is in engineering, retired from her position as vice president of energy acquisition at Commonwealth Edison in 2007 with over 35 years of experience and expertise in electric utility regulatory and policy matters.

Members also elected Niles Village Attorney Joseph Annunzio as vice-chair. Annunzio, a Park Ridge resident, had served as the ONCC Technical Committee chair since 2010 and was appointed chair of the ad hoc Fly Quiet Committee in 2015. He has a background in environmental law.

Former Norridge Clerk Judith Dunne Bernardi was elected treasurer, a position she has held since 2009. She has represented her village since 1999. She serves as the vice-chair of the ONCC Residential Sound Insulation Committee and has chaired the Ad Hoc Budget Committee for several years.

Mayor Juracek appointed Catherine Dunlap as Technical Committee chair in June 2015. Dunlap represents Chicago Ward 41, a position she has held since five Chicago wards were added as members of the Commission in 2011. She actively began volunteering her services as a community representative by attending ONCC meetings and reporting to her Norwood Park neighbors.

Frank Damato continues his role as Residential Sound Insulation Committee chair, a position he has held since 1999. He has a long and respected political career, including former chair of the Chicago City Council Aviation Committee.

Charter member Dr. Raymond Kuper continues to chair the School Sound Insulation Committee, which recently completed sound insulating the last qualified school under the OMP full build-out noise contour model.

ONCC members and guests toured the airfield.



Citizens attended FAA workshops.



## Residential Sound Insulation Continues

ONCC and CDA continue to encourage eligible homeowners to take advantage of the Residential Sound Insulation Program. Since O'Hare's modernization began, more than 6,000 homes have been deemed suitable for sound insulation. The CDA conducts field and GIS-aided surveys in order to locate additional qualified homes.



Many homeowners still have not signed up for sound insulation for various reasons. Perhaps their property may have been sold during the program's existence or they were uninformed that their home qualified for sound insulation.

Last fall, ONCC approved a resolution for Phase 18, which will benefit qualified homeowners who have not requested sound insulation. There are more than 500 homes still eligible to participate in the program.

The CDA sound insulated over 1,000 homes in 2015, including four historical residences in a pilot program. Historic homes received windows, doors and air conditioning without compromising the architectural integrity of the property. After the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency reviews the results of the historic home pilot, the CDA will notify historic homeowners on the next phase.

The next group of qualified homeowners has received information regarding sound insulation; close to 1,000 homes were identified for that phase. Currently 609 homeowners are enrolled and work began in early 2016. More information on the Residential Sound Insulation Program can be found on the ONCC web site, [www.oharenoise.org](http://www.oharenoise.org).

Last fall, Sound Insulation Program Director Arlene Williams retired. Approximately 19,460 homes were sound insulated during her 20-year career. ONCC thanks her for her dedication and a job well done.



## Founding Leader Steps Down

The first ONCC chair, former Arlington Heights mayor, Arlene J. Mulder, announced in late 2014 that she would not seek another term on the noise commission. She had held the position since 1997 when the city of Chicago invited suburban mayors and school districts to work together to mitigate aircraft noise at O'Hare.

Mulder, a leading advocate for noise relief, collaborated with major airlines, aviation stakeholders, the CDA, and the FAA to find ways to reduce O'Hare noise, particularly late at night over residential areas.

Under her leadership, ONCC became one of the most respected noise mitigation commissions and a model for other such groups worldwide. She received the Jay Hollingsworth Speas Airport Award for outstanding contribution to achieving compatible relations between airports and adjacent environments.

She stepped down from the noise commission to spend more time with her family. She admitted that finding a solution to the jet noise problem was difficult, but urged fellow members to continue seeking noise relief.

## Versatile New Website Offers In-depth Information

In May of 2015, ONCC launched a newly designed website. The new site features a new look and is re-organized to simplify navigation and make it easier for users to find information.

It had been over 10 years since the organization's website was last done. New technological advances resulted in new functionality and increased efficiency in maintenance and updates.

New features such as a search function, active calendar, newsroom, and meeting agendas and

minutes complement the monthly CDA Airport Noise Management System and quarterly Fly Quiet Program reports which are also available on the site.

### WEB TRAK

The ONCC website includes a link to Web Trak, a new tool from CDA that was made available in 2015. This tool allows residents to identify and obtain information on specific aircraft. They can identify individual locations of interest, such as



one's home or school, on a map that features O'Hare flights. Aircraft data includes flight number and current altitude.

Fly Quiet Committee reached consensus.

Aviation experts addressed O'Hare nighttime noise.

Noise monitor expert attended Technical Committee meeting.



O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission will assist in developing meaningful methods to reduce aircraft noise in neighborhoods surrounding O'Hare International Airport through home and school sound insulation and to reduce, wherever possible, aircraft noise at its source.

Today ONCC includes 41 communities and 16 school districts committed to mitigate aircraft noise from O'Hare International Airport.

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