

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 03, 2017 12:44 PM  
**To:** Riley, Rick G (FAA)  
**Cc:** 9-AWA-NoiseOmbudsman (FAA)  
**Subject:** Chicago OHare noise complaint

Hello,

I live in Geneva, IL (60134) which is about 40 miles Southwest of Ohare airport. For the past 5-6 months the noise levels generated by inbound and outbound air traffic to/from Ohare has been unacceptable in level, frequency and time of day/night.

For example on 1/2/2017, Ohare put our town in direct line with inbound traffic that started around 3am CST and lasted until 12:30am (and probably later) CST on 1/3/2017. The planes were at an altitude of 4000-5500 feet as they flew over our community. Today (1/3/2017), westward flights out of Ohare are on a direct path over our community at a frequency of every 2-4 minutes. The altitude has ranged from 7000 to 16000 feet. Although higher altitude, the noise pollution is still very bad and is unacceptable and detrimental to our quality of life.

Ever since phases of the Ohare expansion project has opened the new East/West runways, our quality of life, physical/mental health and sleep has been severely impacted by Ohare's noise pollution. I have lived in Geneva, IL for 14 years and never have experienced any noise pollution from airplanes until the Ohare expansion project. It seems clear that the project moved forward without any regard to the impact to the surrounding communities.

Is there anything the FAA can do to hold Ohare accountable to the noise pollution it is generating? Can the FAA regulate the frequency, altitudes of flights and operation of flights during unreasonable times?

Thanks,

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 20, 2017 9:45 AM  
**To:** Riley, Rick G (FAA)  
**Cc:** 9-AWA-NoiseOmbudsman (FAA)  
**Subject:** Chicago OHare noise complaint

Hello Rick,

Please take a look at the arrival patterns as they cross over my neighborhood (60134) last night and today (1/19,20) when you get a chance. The flights coming in from the south and southwest are making their approach in an "S" curve. They head east then S curve back west directly over my neighborhood before completing the S curve north and then east. This exponentially increases the amount of noise pollution we are exposed to.

I have seen instances such as yesterday morning/afternoon where they approached O'Hare's center runway directly from the west, not making this S curve approach. In addition, planes approaching from the east are flying far west as 50+ miles before making their final approach east. We live about 40-45 miles southwest of O'Hare and never experienced any noise pollution in the 13 years we have lived here prior to the expansion project.

Is there somebody at the FAA we can contact to discuss these issues with? The noise pollution is taking a sever toll on our lives.

Thanks,

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Monday, February 06, 2017 11:47 AM

**To:** 9-AWA-NoiseOmbudsman (FAA)

**Subject:** RE: Flight Track Information

Hello Rick,

If you want to look at current flight data, take a look at what's going on with arrivals into Ohare today (February 6th). The arrivals are coming in at 4000-500ft every 30 seconds or so and happens when there are winds from the East. This has been a huge problem since the Ohare expansion project went live and is only getting worse. I live 40+ miles southwest of Ohare. I have lived here for 14 years and never had any noise pollution issues until the Ohare East/West runway expansion project.

Is there anything the FAA can do to put a stop to this? Can pressure be put on Ohare to utilize the original diagonal runways on a mandatory basis?

Thanks,

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