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Mr. Chris Jeffers, City Manager
City of Glendora
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Dear Mr. Jeffers:

Thank you for your letter dated December 8, 2015, regarding the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed Southern California (SoCal) Metroplex Project.

The SoCal Metroplex Project will provide new efficiencies and improve safety in the southern California region. The project proposes a regional network of enhanced navigation routes and procedures that will cover most of southern California from the Mexico border to Santa Barbara and east into the deserts. There are 21 airports, including 6 major airports, included in the study.

Early notification letters about the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA's) plans to prepare an EA for the proposed SoCal Metroplex Project were mailed to key governmental agencies and elected officials, including Federal Representatives and Senators, State Senators and Assembly Members, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments, in January 2014. Additionally, legal notices were published in multiple media publications, including the Los Angeles Times. In October 2014, invitations to elected/government official briefings, held in six different locations, were sent to elected officials, including the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. The Draft EA was released and made available for public review and comment beginning on Wednesday, June 10, 2015. A public notice on the availability of the EA and the public workshops was published in major newspapers, emailed to elected/government officials (both English and Spanish) and published in Hispanic newspapers.

The SoCal Metroplex Team conducted extensive outreach efforts to include 79 governmental outreach meetings and 11 public workshops.

In response to requests for more detailed information about flight paths of the current and proposed procedures in relationship to specific streets and neighborhoods, the FAA released additional information and instructions to help individuals review the project relative to their specific location for all of the airports in the study. The FAA also released the Noise Integrated Routing System (NIRS) noise model tracks values for all

centroids analyzed. This information is available at http://metroplexenvironmental.com/socal_metroplex/socal_introduction.html.

In order to assist the public in accessing these additional resources, we posted information on the FAA website as part of an update about the second extension of the public comment period. We distributed the update through email to our news subscribers and via posting on Facebook and Twitter. We alerted a number of local media outlets by email as well.

To provide the public time to review the additional information, we extended the comment period to October 8, 2015. We do not believe that extending the comment period further would have significantly enhanced the public's ability to access the data and comment on it. All substantive comments submitted by the due date will be considered and addressed as part of the environmental process.

Thank you for the opportunity to answer your inquiry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glen A. Martin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "G".

Glen A. Martin
Regional Administrator