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Suzanne	Gutierrez-Hedges	III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD	<p>My name is Suzanne Gutierrez-Hedges. I live just one block west of the Van Nuys Airport (VNY) on Covello St. (in a great neighborhood knows as "The Pocket"). I have lived here since 2005. I live with my husband, two minor children ages 16 and 7 and two German Shepherds.</p> <p>Over the past few years, the exponential increase of air traffic at VNY (both planes and helicopters) is daunting. Daily, we are blasted with airplanes taking off at all hours of the day and night. And, helicopters are completely ignoring the designated flight paths. They fly right over our neighborhood. It is completely irresponsible and reckless. I have many videos showing these violations.</p> <p>One of the biggest issues affecting our neighborhood is the toxic jet exhaust fumes from these airplanes. Often, these planes idle and rev their engines right next to Hayvenhurst Avenue and the fumes flow down into our neighborhood. It literally takes your breath away. Many of us have been filing complaints with the AQMD in hopes of getting an air quality study down. There hasn't been one done since 2005. VNY has grown tremendously since then. However, we are getting push back. AQMD says this is an FAA issue. But, FAA says they are only in charge of airplanes that are wheels up. So, who is responsible? Needless to say, this situation is very frustrating and dangerous to our health.</p> <p>These changes are criminal. I fear for the health of myself and my family. I can only imagine how many toxins we are inhaling on a daily basis. I invite all of you to spend a day here and you will understand what I am talking about.</p>	1/4/2021	01/02/22 11:23 PM
Monica	Jara-Aguirre	IV. A. Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 – Presentation by Environmental Science Associates	<p>I have lived across the street from Van Nuys airport for the past 15 years. Although I've heard the traffic of planes for more than a decade, I have noticed that the noise and gas smell have increased in the past two years. As a homeowners and member of the neighborhood we have the right to enjoy and use our premises. However, the airport is making an unreasonable interference of such use. In addition, the fumes and gas smell is affecting dramatically the quality of the air, I have asthma and have two children with medical conditions. I barely can enjoy my backyard because of the air afraid of getting my condition worse. It looks like the airport increased its plane traffic and is affecting us. Please, take the proper measures in order to protect our community since it qualifies as public nuisance.</p>	1/4/2021	01/03/22 6:48 AM
jacqueline	miller	III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD	<p>I am very concerned about the toxic jet exhaust fumes coming from the airplanes that travel in and out of the Van Nuys Airport. During the time that I have lived here, the increase in traffic and size of planes have increased substantially which is alarming, as this is a concern for my health and that of my family and friends.</p> <p>It doesn't matter that helicopters are not to travel on the path of my street, they do. It doesn't matter that there should be a limit to what hours planes can fly in and out, they do. It doesn't matter the increase in traffic, they keep flying over our neighborhood. There is such risk on a daily basis, and on so many levels from idle and rev engines just a block from my home. We can smell these fumes as we take a walk or sit in our back yards. We need someone to listen and then take action on these issues. Some humanity is needed, we are talking about our health, our livelihood. Jacqueline.</p>	1/4/2021	01/03/22 8:48 AM
CYNTHIA	GALSOR	III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD	<p>As a resident of Sherman Oaks, the news that VNY is one of the top facilities in State of CA and one of the top airports in the nation for lead emissions is of grave concern. We need to protect the health of our community by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Immediate air quality testing for Lake Balboa residents west of VNY who are being inundated by jet and plane exhaust from increased activity at VNY. 2. Cessation of use of leaded fuel at VNY except for emergency air transport. 3. Require Prop 65 signage about VNY lead emissions around the perimeter of the airport. 4. Reduce, not expand, the VNY footprint by instituting a mechanism for more transparency about FBOs, proposed lessees, and proposed activity at the airport, starting with, if needed, ceasing to accept federal funds that come with strings attached that do not permit, for example, restricting expansion and limiting the scope of operations at VNY. 	1/4/2021	01/03/22 6:02 PM
Ed	Stryker	III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD	<p>Please conduct an air quality study. The fumes created by the airport are becoming increasingly hazardous and hard to deal with. Please, either order the study or explain to the public why you refuse too.</p>	1/4/2021	01/03/22 6:53 PM

Qianliu	Chen	IV. A. Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 – Presentation by Environmental Science Associates	<p>Hi, my name is Qianliu Chen, I live with my husband Jeremy Fenske and our 1 year old son on Covello street, just half of the block from the VNY airport. We moved here half year ago and love this neighborhood very much. What we didn't realized until we moved here, is that how bad the airport would affect our new life.</p> <p>As we were doing research before buying the house, the VNY airport should have curfew after 11pm, yet we can hear jet taking off through out the night, sometimes 3 in the morning. Not to mention the black dust and fume smell. It's really frustrating that we have to keep all the windows shut all the time. Some days, the air in our backyard just smell like a parking garage. It's depressing that we have to worried about my boy's health even when he is just simply playing outside in our own backyard.</p> <p>As a new parent, nothing hurts more than knowing that the place we chose to live, could potentially harm our kids health. With many babies born in this neighborhood, we demand a better, cleaner, quiet environment for our kids to grow up with.</p> <p>Please help us make the change: fewer or no flights after 11pm; reduce the fume exhaust, no jet engine should be blowing directly towards the neighborhood. We deserve cleaner air in the neighborhood, our kids depend on that.</p>	1/4/2021	01/03/22 9:45 PM
Sue	Steinberg	III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD	<p>I have lived here, adjacent to VNY since 1986, and what has happened to our beloved airport is criminal. For several months now we have been imploring the AQMD, LAWA, BOAC and the FAA to do AIR QUALITY testing, as we've been plagued by toxic fumes coming from the idling jets all along Hayvenhurst, as well as from the dramatic increase of (LOUD) jet traffic going all hours night and day, 24/7. Too often there are times you can't breathe when outside due to the foul air from the jet fumes.</p> <p>Many of us have been filing complaints with the AQMD in hopes of getting an air quality study down. There hasn't been one done since 2005. VNY has grown tremendously since then. However, we are getting push back. AQMD says this is an FAA issue. But, FAA says they are only in charge of airplanes that are wheels up. So, who is responsible? Needless to say, this situation is very frustrating and dangerous to our health.</p> <p>Please put on the AGENDA a motion to have an EPA study done ASAP. AQMD and LAWA need to work together to make this happen. VNY has become a COMMERCIAL airport right under our fume-filled noses. I implore our CAC representative WENDY SAUNDERS to please put forward a motion to have a study done ASAP.</p> <p>ALSO the helicopters are completely ignoring the designated flight paths. We know LAPD and LAFD are exempt, but several others continually fly right over our neighborhood. It is completely irresponsible & reckless. The problem has been called in, but of course NOTHING has happened to improve this dangerous situation.</p> <p>Several of us have filed complaints with AQMD, along with filing numerous Noise Complaints. No one will take responsibility, and nothing is being done to address the growing problems as a result of overgrowth and commercialization at VNY. Why should THOUSANDS of us suffer, so a few can treat VNY as their own private airport?</p>	1/4/2021	01/03/22 11:03 PM
Jeremy	Fenske	IV. A. Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 – Presentation by Environmental Science Associates	<p>To whom it may concern,</p> <p>I am a Lake Balboa resident, I live 300ft away from the airport (very close). when we bought the house we were told that the airplanes taking off from Van Nuys were small private planes and they stop taking off at night (NOT TRUE, I regularly see full sized jets taking off and sometimes late at night 2 or 3am and all hours at night). The thing that worries me the most is the plane exhaust, the planes sit idle and blast jet fumes down my street and the smell is unbearable. We have a small child who likes to play outside but sometimes it's so bad I cannot let him out. In the summer I can't keep my windows open without inhaling jet fumes. It is known that jet exhaust is incredibly toxic when inhaled. It has been found to increase blood pressure, increase risk of lung related diseases and also cancer. This is the #1 worst part about living in this great neighborhood. I'm close to selling my house and moving, people live here. shame on you!</p>	1/4/2021	01/04/22 12:09 AM

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Jay	Vee	IV. A. Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 – Presentation by Environmental Science Associates	<p>Beyond ANCA, LAWVA should also be exploring the following actions that are within their immediate control relative to making VNY operations more neighborly and compatible with nearby communities - 1) Re institute weight-based landing fees as were charged in the past, 2) Close the Customs Office within 120 days as permitted by the Agreement, 3) Include all non-emergency aircraft in the Quieter Nights Programs, 4) Deploy noise and air quality measurement tools at sites both around and beyond the field, and 5) Stop taking Federal Grant money so that the airport can eventually be fully controlled by the City instead of having to defer to the FAA as is often done now.</p>	1/4/2021	01/04/22 7:37 AM
LORIL	HIRSCH	IV. A. Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 – Presentation by Environmental Science Associates	<p>My name is Loril Hirsch; I live two blocks west of the Van Nuys airport, on Ruffner Avenue; between Sherman Way and Saticoy; I've lived here since 1992. My son grew up in this home and he's now in the US Navy and I live alone; .</p> <p>The increase of air traffic, noise and bad fumes are overwhelming and have continue to increase as the years pass. This is for both Helicopters and Planes flying overhead all hours of the day and night! Helicopters have completely ignored rules and flight paths and have irresponsibly ignored the fact that people live under their reckless behavior! .</p> <p>One of the main and biggest issues affecting all of us living near the airport are the toxic jet exhaust fumes from plains taking off, landing and just left idling right off Hayvenhurst Avenue and the fumes flow down and into our neighborhood. It's literally difficult to breathe! Many of us have been filing complaints with the AQMD in hopes of initiating an air quality study. This measurement of fumes hasn't been addressed since 2005 and Van Nuys Airport and traffic has grown since then.</p> <p>Then we're left with the aggravation that no one is in charge of this? How can that be? AQMD says this is an FAA issue. But, FAA says they are only in charge of airplanes that are wheels up. So, who is responsible? Needless to say, this situation is very frustrating and dangerous to our health.</p> <p>I fear for the health of myself and my neighbors! I can't imagine what these dangerous toxins are doing to our lungs. I understand that the airport was here long before I moved into the neighborhood, however there is no good excuse for ignoring the results of growth and expansion and addressing the bad air quality that we are forced to endure.</p>	1/4/2021	01/04/22 9:13 AM
Karen	Fritschi	IV. A. Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 – Presentation by Environmental Science Associates	<p>Airport traffic is continuing to increase, bringing with it more noise (jets regularly break the curfew, and we complain, to no avail). There is also a disturbing increase in aircraft idling close to Hayvenhurst Ave, bringing toxic fumes into our neighborhood. They are so bad that, at times, we cannot go outside. We truly fear for our health. At the very least, crack down on curfew breakers and do an air quality check to ascertain the level of pollution and begin to work on a solution.</p>	1/4/2021	01/04/22 10:57 AM
Daria	Fomchenkova	IV. A. Airport Noise and Capacity Act of 1990 – Presentation by Environmental Science Associates	<p>Air pollution in our area adjacent to VNY is horrible!! It is only getting worse! Air is filled with smoke all day every day. And after the rain, when air is humid it traps these poisonous fumes, and it chokes us! There is no oxygen to breathe! We are thinking to sell our house because air quality is taking negative toll on our health.</p>	1/4/2021	01/04/22 11:55 AM