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Michael J. Cooper
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Dear Mr. Cooper:

Thank you for your letter dated January 19, 2018, requesting participation from the Town of Herndon in establishing a local jurisdictional stakeholder working group to assist with your efforts regarding the IAD noise contour map update. The town is pleased to participate in this process and has designated **Mr. Dana Heiberg, Senior Planner with the Department of Community Development**, as our technical representative for this effort. Mr. Heiberg can be reached at dana.heiberg@herndon-va.gov or at 703-787-7380.

We understand there will be regular meetings as determined by the working group and the noise contour map update process is expected to last 9-16 months, beginning in February 2018.

Thank you for your efforts in establishing this group. The town looks forward to collaborating with you and others on this effort. Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this designation.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Ashton". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Bill Ashton
Town Manager

- c. Elizabeth M. Gilleran, Director of Community Development
Dana Heiberg, Senior Planner



January 19, 2018

Mr. William H. Ashton, III
Herndon Town Manager
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Re: Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) Noise Contour Map Update
Local Jurisdictional Stakeholder Working Group

Dear Mr. Ashton:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (Airports Authority) would like to establish a local jurisdictional stakeholder working group for the IAD noise contour map update. This effort will update the noise contour maps for the Airport and, we hope, will help local governments to guide land use for Airport-compatibility planning and zoning in the region. Participation is requested from the local jurisdictions including the Town of Herndon. The noise contour map update process is expected to last approximately 9 – 16 months, beginning February 2018, and will involve regular meetings as needed and designated by the working group. Please inform us of your staff's willingness to participate in this effort and kindly forward to the Airports Authority the name(s) of your jurisdictions' designated technical representative(s) from County staff by or before January 31, 2018.

There are several reasons the Airports Authority decided to embark on this effort at this time. First, there have been recent changes in the aviation environment since the early 1990's when the Airport Overlay Districts were first established and the future vision should reflect these changes. Flight tracks and overall utility of the airfield has evolved and will continue to evolve with implementation of the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) NextGen modernization program. In addition, the FAA is modifying flight procedures to allow for the triple simultaneous runway operations during low visibility conditions or Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) which will likely increase utility and capacity at IAD.



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Several stakeholder working group meetings are anticipated throughout the process. It is requested that you please designate members of your technical staff such as local government transportation planners/engineers, urban planners, or zoning officials to the working group. The number of professional staff you wish to participate is up to you; however, we currently anticipate anywhere from 1-3 staff from your jurisdiction.

Regardless of the number of staff you designate, participation will be essential to the success of the noise contour map update. The Airports Authority recognizes how the foresight of the Airport Impact Overlay District has served IAD and local jurisdictions very well, as it was the direct result of careful planning and participation by local government staff. We look forward to collaborating with you on updating this effort.

Please contact me if you have any questions at (571) 239-0721, or via email at michael.cooper@mwa.com. Thank you for your consideration of this matter and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Cooper
State & Local Government Affairs Manager
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cc: The Honorable Lisa Merkle, Mayor, Town of Herndon
Mr. Gregg Wollard, Manager, Department of Planning, MWAA