

Report on October 21, 2021 Meeting of KHHR Communities Network Committee (CNC)

The quarterly meeting of the KHHR CNC was held on October 21, 2021. There was not a quorum. However, a presentation was made by the Southern CA Airspace Users Working Group (SCAUWG or Committee). Here are the highlights of that presentation:

SCAUWG is dedicated to making the Los Angeles airspace the safest airspace possible. The Committee is made up of pilots, FAA experts, captains of airlines, and aviation branches of the military. They seek to have the agencies interact to resolve airspace-related problems and improve airspace safety. Their goals are:

1. to maintain a forum to provide input to the FAA
2. to educate and inform the public, and
3. to develop airspace design

The Committee believes that operation of an airport is a community effort, involving police in crime-fighting efforts, medical emergencies, and pipeline and utility patrols. These operations require community support and participation.

There was discussion about SPACEX 2, the new standard instrument departure (SID) implemented by the FAA. Pat Carey stated that if the pilots implement it correctly, the aircraft can reach the height of 3000 feet in less than 1 minute. The rationale is that the higher the aircraft can go as soon as possible, the less noise impact there is on the surrounding communities. KHHR Managers work to keep the aircraft over the safest areas, with as little noise as possible. Pat said he has done more than 500 safety briefings.

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