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# News Release

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## Public Hearing will Explore Noise Abatement Recommendations for Willow Run Airport

Residents of communities near **Willow Run Airport** will have the opportunity to learn about proposed recommendations to reduce the effects of aircraft noise as well as voice their opinions on those measures at a Public Hearing.

Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) will conduct the **Public Hearing on March 29, 2011 at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel located at 46194 N. I-94 Service Drive, Belleville, MI from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** A formal presentation will be made at 6:15 p.m. with an opportunity for public comment immediately following.

Recommendations include some residential sound insulation, construction of a ground run-up enclosure and working with communities to update zoning ordinances. The recommendations were developed by a Federal Aviation Regulations Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study Advisory Committee comprised of community and airport stakeholders who have an interest in activity at Willow Run Airport. The study, which began in 2007, is voluntary on the part of the airport.

“The Committee worked hard to strike a balance between protecting the jobs and economic benefits provided by Willow Run Airport while developing meaningful measures to reduce the impact of noise on our neighbors,” said Genelle M. Allen, WCAA Interim CEO. Activity at Willow Run is responsible for an estimated 2,000 jobs in Michigan and an overall, annual economic impact of \$200 million according to a 2006 study conducted by researchers at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Airport Authority staff, study consultants and Federal Aviation Administration officials will be on hand at the Public Hearing to provide information and answer questions.

Interested citizens can visit [www.willowrunairport.com](http://www.willowrunairport.com) for more information on the study. Reasonable auxiliary aids and services and appropriate spoken language assistance will be provided upon three (3) days notice to [accessibility@wcaa.us](mailto:accessibility@wcaa.us) or the WCAA Noise Program Manager at 734-942-1503.

The Holiday Inn Express is located just west of the Belleville Road exit from I-94.