

New health concerns over noisy FAA flight paths



PHOENIX -- Another formal complaint has been filed against the FAA over the recent flight path changes out of Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport, which many people claim are extremely noisy.

The latest complaint focuses on the environmental impact of the new flight paths, as well as alleged health and safety risks to the public.

A Phoenix-based environmental group, Earth Month Network, authored the complaint. They claim the FAA did not do its due diligence before implementing the flight path changes.

"They were in a rush to get this off the ground, Congress didn't think that they could do it in a timely manner or efficiently and they got caught, they

wanted to bypass some of the procedures," Brad Follett, Earth Month Network President and CEO, said.

Follett claimed the increased noise levels from the new flight paths are not just disruptive to residents, he believes they are dangerous.

"There are scientific studies over in Europe that suggest that the stress alone causes heart attacks, it causes strokes, birth defects in women," Follett said. Humans are not the only ones being affected by the noise levels according to Follett.

"There's many species here that would be endangered, we have two preserves in Phoenix that are in the flight paths," he said.

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