



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



2800 BERLIN TURNPIKE, P.O. BOX 317546  
NEWINGTON, CONNECTICUT 06131-7546

January 13, 2009

Dear Middlebury Resident:

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (Department) completed a Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 150 Noise Study for Waterbury-Oxford Airport in October 2008. In compliance with federal requirements, the Department is currently preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate and document the environmental impacts associated with the recommendations of the FAR Part 150 Noise Study.

As a component of the EA, the Department is surveying property owners and residents to gather information relevant to your relocation needs and concerns, as well as to understand your interest in participating in a noise mitigation program. The information enclosed is being sent to all owners on record that own homes in the designated program area, per the local tax records.

One of the recommended land use strategies being considered to mitigate airport noise impacts is through a voluntary program to acquire homes within the Triangle Hills neighborhood, per the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Policies Act of 1970, as amended. Relocation assistance would be provided to owners and tenants if the owners participate in the acquisition program. The implementation of the recommended strategies would be reliant on the availability of federal and state funds.

Your property has been identified as one of those parcels that may be eligible to participate in a voluntary acquisition program. Additional information about this program will be provided in the future. Providing the information requested in this survey is optional. However, your participation in this survey will greatly assist the Department to understand any needs and concerns you may have. The initial plan is being coordinated by Clough Harbour & Associates (CHA) and O. R. Colan Associates (ORC) on behalf of the Department. ORC specializes in airport acquisition programs across the country, and their staff will be available to assist you through the preliminary survey process and answer your questions related to the mitigation program. It is important to understand that implementation of the recommended noise mitigation strategies will be pursued as federally subsidized projects, and will be initiated and completed contingent upon receipt of future funding.

Included in this packet you will find a survey along with information outlining the basic benefits to property owners and tenants who participate in a Voluntary Acquisition Program. The ultimate goal will be to ensure that all eligible owners and tenants are treated fairly and consistently, per the FAA requirements. Your assistance in completing the survey is greatly

appreciated. Please return the completed survey by Friday, January 30, 2009. The completed survey may be sent to the address below in the enclosed envelope or faxed to the number below.

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Warwick, RI 02886

Fax: 401-737-5282

Additional information regarding the FAR Part 150 Noise Study and the recommended mitigation strategies may be found at ([www.oxcstudies.com](http://www.oxcstudies.com)). We appreciate your patience and would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation. Please feel free to call Mr. Derrick Roma or Mr. Micah Solomon from ORC if you have any questions or concerns regarding the survey or the program in general. They may be contacted at 1-888-737-1662.

As always if you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at 860-594-2149 or by e-mail at [david.head@po.state.ct.us](mailto:david.head@po.state.ct.us). The project team looks forward to working with you.

Very truly yours,



David M. Head  
Project Manager  
Office of Airport Planning  
Bureau of Policy and Planning

Enclosures (2)

cc: First Selectman Gormley – Middlebury  
First Selectman Drayton-Rogers - Oxford

**Waterbury – Oxford Airport FAR Part 150 Environmental Assessment  
Voluntary Land Acquisition Program Relocation Survey**

The following information is requested for use in preparing a General Relocation Plan for this study. All information is confidential and will be used solely for the purpose of determining estimated costs for relocation and to identify any special considerations that will need to be addressed. Your cooperation in providing this information is greatly appreciated and is voluntary. This program, if implemented, will be administered in compliance with the Federal Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and provides monetary, advisory, and moving assistance to displaced residents. This survey is being sent to owners of record located in the designated program area. Please return the completed survey by Friday, January 30, 2009.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) Principal Residence: Yes:  No:     2) Owner:  Tenant:     3) Date of occupancy \_\_\_\_\_  
 4) Approx. total SF(above ground) \_\_\_\_\_ Total # Rooms \_\_\_\_\_ # Bedrooms \_\_\_\_\_ # Baths \_\_\_\_\_  
 5) Lot Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown     6) Do you have a Garage? Yes:  No  #. of bays: \_\_\_\_\_  
 7) Do you have a Mortgage? Yes  No     8) Approx Balance: \_\_\_\_\_ Interest Rate \_\_\_\_\_  
 9) Monthly Housing Cost (Mortgage/Rent): \_\_\_\_\_ Est. Monthly Utility Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

10) Please complete the following to give a general make up of the household. Please identify special needs to be addressed if you were to consider relocating i.e. proximity to special schools, doctors' office or disabilities.

Age	M	F	Employers or School:	Special concerns:
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
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_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____

- 11) Would you be willing to participate in a Voluntary Acquisition Program? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 12) Is there a particular municipality or neighborhood you would be interested in relocating to? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_  
 13) Do you operate a business from this location? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 If yes, what type of business? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of employees: \_\_\_\_\_ Special relocation needs: \_\_\_\_\_  
 14) Other than those indicated above, are there any special needs that must to be addressed?  
 If yes, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

- 15) Yearly Gross Household Income from all sources (Optional information):  
 Under \$25,000     \$25,000-\$50,000     \$50,000-\$75,000     \$75,000-\$100,000  
 \$100,000-\$125,000     \$125,000-\$150,000     \$150,000-\$175,000     \$175,000 +

- 16) Do you wish to speak with a representative to discuss the program and to answer questions?  
 Yes:  No:

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One of the recommended land use strategies being considered to mitigate airport noise impacts is through a voluntary program to acquire homes within the Triangle Hills neighborhood, per the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended. A second recommended strategy includes reducing noise for affected residences through sound insulation or by implementing other soundproofing measures. A number of the homes may be offered the option to participate in either a voluntary acquisition program or soundproofing program, while the others may be given the option to participate in a voluntary acquisition program only. Relocation assistance would be provided to owners and tenants if the owners participate in the voluntary acquisition program. The implementation of both recommended strategies would be reliant on the availability of federal and state funds.

Your property has been identified as one of those parcels that may be eligible to participate in a voluntary acquisition program or sound insulation program. Because your property is not located in the Runway Protection Zone, you will have two mitigation options to consider:

- A. Remain in your home and be offered sound insulation measures that may reduce interior noise to acceptable levels. Such measures may include replacement of windows, doors, siding, roofs, air conditioning systems, etc. or
- B. Participate in a Voluntary Acquisition Program as described in the attached FAA Voluntary Land Acquisition and Relocation Assistance Program Overview.

Additional information about both programs will be provided in the future. Providing the information requested in the survey is optional. However, your participation in this survey will

greatly assist the Department to understand any needs and concerns that you may have. The initial plan is being coordinated by Clough Harbour & Associates (CHA) and O. R. Colan Associates (ORC) on behalf of the Department. ORC specializes in airport acquisition programs across the country, and their staff will be available to assist you through the preliminary survey process and answer your questions related to the mitigation program. It is important to understand that implementation of the recommended noise mitigation strategies, including the Voluntary Land Acquisition Program and Sound Insulation Program, will be pursued as federally subsidized projects, and will be initiated and completed contingent upon receipt of future funding.

Included in this packet you will find a survey along with general information outlining the basic benefits to property owners and tenants who participate in Voluntary Acquisition Programs. The ultimate goal will be to ensure that all eligible and participating owners and tenants are treated fairly and consistently, per the FAA requirements. Your assistance in completing the survey is greatly appreciated. Please return the completed survey by Friday, January 30, 2009. The completed survey may be sent to the address below in the enclosed envelope or faxed to the number below.

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**Waterbury – Oxford Airport FAR Part 150 Environmental Assessment  
Voluntary Land Acquisition Program or Insulation Program Relocation Survey**

The following information is requested for use in preparing a General Relocation Plan for this study. All information is confidential and will be used solely for the purpose of determining estimated costs for relocation and to identify any special considerations that will need to be addressed. Your cooperation in providing this information is greatly appreciated and is voluntary. This program, if implemented, will be administered in compliance with the Federal Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and provides monetary, advisory, and moving assistance to displaced residents. This survey is being sent to owners of record located in the designated program area. Please return the completed survey by Friday, January 30, 2009.

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- 11) Would you be willing to participate in a Voluntary Acquisition Program or Sound Insulation Program?  
 Acquisition Program  Sound Insulation Program  Neither   
 Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

- 12) Is there a particular municipality or neighborhood you would be interested in relocating to? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
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