

Aircraft Noise Monitoring Study Pre Kick-off Meeting Notes

DATE: 22 April 2020
TIME: 1300 – 1415
LOCATION: Teleconference

ATTENDEES:

(b) (6), OPNAV N453
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(b) (6), NAVFAC HQ
(b) (6), NAVFAC LANT
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(b) (6), Blue Ridge Consulting
(b) (6), Blue Ridge Consulting
(b) (6), Leidos Project Manager
(b) (6), Leidos

Roles and Responsibilities

- (b) (6) is with ASN and will coordinate at the secretariat level, especially on any political issues.
- (b) (6) is the OPNAV N453 Branch Head and will be the project lead at the HQ level; will manage stakeholder engagement; and will also coordinate between ASN and the Regions/NAVFAC. (b) (6) supports (b) (6).
- (b) (6) is with NAVFAC HQ, working with AICUZ and other noise programs.
- (b) (6) is the NAVFAC task order manager/Contracting Officer Representative (COR). (b) (6) is her deputy.
- (b) (6) is the Leidos task order manager, and (b) (6) is a Leidos noise specialist who will be helping with operational data.
- (b) (6), and the Blue Ridge team will be conducting the noise monitoring study.

Task Order Overview

- The scope of work includes the following tasks and notional schedule:
 1. Kickoff meeting, workplan, and draft schedule (3 weeks after award)
 2. Detailed Monitoring plan (7 weeks after award)
 3. Pre-data collection/logistics site visits to NAS Whidbey Island and NAS Lemoore (12 weeks after award)
 4. Four data collection site visits at each installation (spaced over 12 months)
 5. Data analysis and noise monitoring study (about 58 weeks after award)
 6. Miscellaneous meetings and administrative functions

Data Collection/Early Coordination Efforts

- Pre-data/logistics site visits will include meetings with the Navy and other stakeholders (i.e., NPS, USFS, community leaders) to reach consensus on Sound Level Meter (SLM) locations; this may entail 2-3 days of meetings. Blue Ridge/Leidos also need to coordinate with pilots and ATC during this visit, and finalize logistics for SLM installations.
- The notional milestones in the Report to Congress show the pre-data collection/logistics site visits starting as early as May 2020; on-site visits this early will not be feasible given COVID-19 travel restrictions.
- Current goal is to maximize what can be done ahead of site visits.
- **Action:** Blue Ridge will prepare a list of data needs/suggestions. (b) (5)

Potential Measurement Sites

- Critical for project success is identifying the SLM locations, which will need to take into consideration operational perspectives (DNL, FLCP, flight paths), stratified spatial sampling (avoid clustering SLMs too close together), logistics (security, accessibility), and stakeholder opinions.
- (b) (6) suggests developing (b) (5)
- **Action:** (b) (6) will send input from NAS Whidbey Island to the team, and Blue Ridge will do a virtual review via Google Earth to identify logistical challenges. Blue Ridge will also help ensure potential locations capture the various operational perspectives and avoid clustering.
- If final locations include non-Navy land like Wilderness Areas, there will need to be additional administrative coordination between federal/local agencies prior to installation of equipment.

Kick-Off Meeting

- The formal kickoff meeting is tentatively set (b) (5)
- This meeting will also include representative from NAVFAC NW, NAVFAC SW, and the installations.
- **Action:** (b) (6)/Leidos/Blue Ridge will coordinate on the best platform to use for the meeting (e.g., Go To Meeting, WebX).
- **Action:** (b) (6)/Leidos/Blue Ridge will work on an agenda, PowerPoint presentation, data needs, and notional project schedule.
- **Action:** (b) (6) will check with Navy lawyers on what (b) (5)