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## **Executive Summary**

The California Airport Noise Regulation (California Code of Regulations, Title 21, Section 50025, County Report) requires the quarterly report include use of a standard information format provided by the California Department of Transportation "Department" (form DOA 617, dated 10/89). The information below fulfills this requirement.

#### **CALIFORNIA FORM DOA 617**

Summary of Statistical Information
For
California Department of Transportation
Oakland International Airport
Calendar Year 2021: First Quarter 2021

- 1. Size of Noise Impact Area as defined in the Noise Standards (California Code of Regulations, Title 21, Chapter 2.5, Subchapter 6): <u>0 sq. miles</u>
- 2. Estimated number of dwelling units included in the Noise Impact Area as defined by the Noise Standards: <u>O dwelling units</u>
- 3. Estimated number of people residing within the Noise Impact Area as defined by the Noise Standards: 0 people
- 4. Identification of aircraft type having highest takeoff noise level operating at this airport together with estimated number of operations by this aircraft type during the calendar quarter reporting period: Dassault Falcon 50; SEL: 101.3 dB; Estimated Operations: 34
- 5. Total number of aircraft operations during the calendar quarter: 28,351 aircraft operations
- **6.** Number of Commercial operations during the calendar quarter (not mandatory): <u>17,101 Commercial</u> Jet operations
- 7. Percentage of Air Carrier operations by aircraft certified under Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 36<sup>1</sup>, Stage III (not mandatory): 100% of air carrier/air cargo operations Stage III or quieter
- **8.** Estimated number of operations by General Aviation aircraft during the calendar quarter (not mandatory): 6,600 General Aviation aircraft operations estimated from FAA tower counts
- 9. Estimated number of operations by Military aircraft during the calendar quarter (not mandatory): <u>0</u> <u>Military aircraft operations.</u>

Per Title 21 requirements, the report must also include a map illustrating the location of the noise impact boundary, as validated by measurement, the location of the measurement points (Figure ES-1 satisfies this requirement) and the daily measured CNEL values at each of the noise monitoring sites (Tables ES-1 through ES-3 satisfy this requirement).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This designation of the regulation (FAR Part 36) has been superseded by the current designation 14 CFR Part 36. The text of form DOA 617 is retained here.



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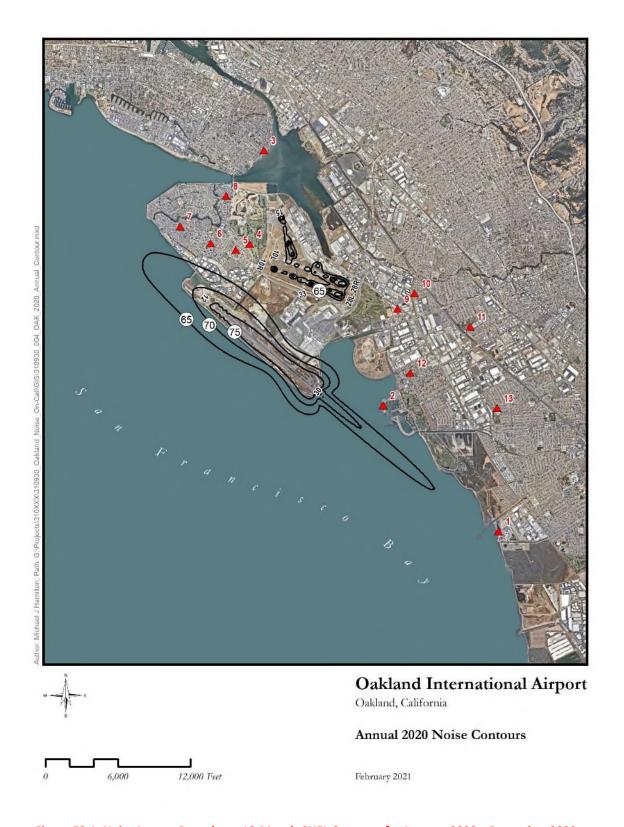


Figure ES-1. Noise Impact Boundary: 12-Month CNEL Contours for January 2020 – December 2020

Source: Port of Oakland ANOMS $^{\text{TM}}$  January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020

Table ES-1. Measured Aircraft CNEL values, January 2021

Source: ANOMS™ January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021

	RMT Location Number												
January	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	CNEL (dBA)												
1	56	53	44	52	52	52	53	45	52	43	45	41	35
2	58	55	35	59	61	59	59	50	57	45	48	40	N/A
3	58	58	29	52	55	54	55	42	56	46	48	43	25
4	61	57	37	51	56	54	55	48	57	50	51	47	41
5	62	57	47	57	60	60	59	57	56	48	48	48	29
6	62	59	40	54	58	58	61	48	56	52	47	44	27
7	62	58	50	53	58	60	59	47	54	47	46	43	29
8	62	55	45	55	59	59	59	47	57	46	49	42	22
9	57	54	49	57	59	59	58	48	55	50	45	40	N/A
10	57	52	41	52	54	55	58	50	55	45	47	38	21
11	59	52	43	54	53	51	56	57	52	43	45	42	31
12	61	55	44	54	58	59	60	51	56	48	46	42	27
13	63	56	44	52	58	58	59	53	56	42	47	42	24
14	61	58	44	55	58	56	58	48	56	47	49	49	34
15	61	60	45	55	58	56	57	47	58	45	49	41	33
16	58	56	45	54	57	58	58	45	57	47	46	43	31
17	55	55	39	47	54	53	54	46	55	44	45	39	32
18	57	53	33	49	48	45	51	39	54	39	44	44	41
19	62	60	49	55	58	55	54	48	54	49	47	59	38
20	60	55	43	51	54	55	58	45	52	47	46	41	N/A
21	61	58	50	53	57	59	59	49	56	N/A	47	39	32
22	62	60	56	60	59	61	60	50	58	N/A	49	45	36
23	57	54	47	54	57	58	58	45	53	N/A	44	39	N/A
24	58	53	44	50	55	57	58	45	56	N/A	49	39	25
25	60	55	47	48	51	51	53	44	54	N/A	46	41	32
26	59	66	42	65	65	61	61	60	59	N/A	43	56	47
27	56	62	35	59	59	54	56	48	52	N/A	45	53	44
28	63	62	38	55	59	55	58	52	57	N/A	50	52	42
29	62	61	43	54	58	59	59	49	56	N/A	48	46	24
30	57	63	45	53	57	57	59	47	54	N/A	47	39	31
31	56	53	42	53	55	55	55	44	55	N/A	46	38	39
Average	60	58	46	56	58	57	58	51	56	46	47	48	37
No. Day	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	20	31	31	27

Notes: Values reported are aircraft measured CNEL values at each monitor.

N/A represents an error or incomplete data.

$$CNEL_{avg} = 10\log\left(\frac{1}{N}\sum 10^{CNEL_i/10}\right)$$



Table ES-2. Measured Aircraft CNEL values, February 2021

Source: ANOMS™ January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021

	RMT Location Number												
February	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	CNEL (dBA)												
1	51	55	37	53	55	52	54	53	53	N/A	49	45	44
2	62	59	40	56	59	59	59	49	58	N/A	50	50	39
3	62	59	42	53	58	59	59	57	56	N/A	48	43	29
4	61	59	51	55	58	58	63	49	60	48	52	46	26
5	61	58	45	54	57	56	59	46	54	45	45	45	30
6	57	54	44	51	55	55	57	42	54	45	46	44	32
7	56	52	47	48	55	56	57	42	53	41	45	42	N/A
8	60	52	44	53	55	55	55	55	55	42	47	40	21
9	62	56	41	54	58	59	60	46	57	N/A	48	43	34
10	62	56	44	55	58	59	59	62	57	N/A	48	42	35
11	63	57	49	54	59	59	60	49	58	N/A	49	46	39
12	63	62	48	56	57	57	59	49	68	N/A	53	45	22
13	60	55	47	53	58	58	58	46	56	N/A	48	40	30
14	57	53	41	54	55	56	57	44	55	N/A	49	40	24
15	60	54	39	49	53	53	57	46	56	N/A	50	44	35
16	60	56	44	N/A	56	57	57	48	58	N/A	50	43	38
17	61	58	52	N/A	58	57	58	46	58	N/A	48	42	N/A
18	60	56	48	N/A	56	56	57	46	56	N/A	47	43	35
19	62	58	38	N/A	59	59	59	49	57	N/A	49	42	N/A
20	59	56	46	N/A	57	58	57	45	55	N/A	46	43	24
21	57	57	43	N/A	58	57	57	44	56	N/A	49	45	32
22	60	54	41	N/A	53	53	54	45	55	N/A	49	40	N/A
23	62	62	47	N/A	58	57	58	46	54	44	47	44	27
24	60	57	44	N/A	55	55	56	45	54	48	48	54	27
25	61	57	41	48	55	56	57	48	56	47	48	43	29
26	62	63	50	55	58	58	59	47	57	49	49	44	20
27	59	53	49	52	57	57	58	51	53	46	45	38	31
28	56	57	42	50	52	52	58	45	56	44	47	42	N/A
Average	60	57	46	53	57	57	58	51	58	45	49	45	34
No. Day	28	28	28	19	28	28	28	28	28	11	28	28	23

Notes: Values reported are aircraft measured CNEL values at each monitor.

N/A represents an error or incomplete data. 
$$CNEL_{avg} = 10\log\left(\frac{1}{N}\sum 10^{CNEL_i}/10\right)$$



Table ES-3. Measured Aircraft CNEL values, March 2021

Source: ANOMS™ January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021

	RMT Location Number												
March	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	CNEL (dBA)												
1	58	55	46	56	54	54	55	52	56	46	48	47	20
2	61	56	43	55	57	57	58	47	56	48	48	41	26
3	63	58	47	53	58	58	59	46	57	48	50	39	N/A
4	62	54	49	54	59	60	60	45	56	46	47	43	25
5	63	64	48	55	58	59	59	49	55	46	49	45	40
6	59	54	46	54	57	57	58	45	55	46	49	42	30
7	57	60	44	50	54	55	57	58	56	45	50	42	N/A
8	60	N/A	39	51	55	56	56	52	55	46	47	37	29
9	58	N/A	53	54	59	58	59	48	54	52	40	49	39
10	61	N/A	33	53	59	55	53	50	56	53	49	50	33
11	63	N/A	52	56	59	60	60	55	55	52	48	47	32
12	62	64	44	57	61	60	60	53	56	47	47	45	29
13	58	61	47	50	57	58	59	42	55	46	49	40	34
14	59	58	45	51	57	56	55	53	60	51	53	48	47
15	62	59	46	49	57	54	58	46	57	46	49	45	41
16	63	60	46	58	61	61	61	54	56	46	48	58	34
17	62	56	42	54	58	59	63	49	56	46	48	42	N/A
18	60	60	34	54	60	57	60	53	58	54	47	54	43
19	63	58	42	54	60	59	61	47	56	49	50	47	30
20	59	52	50	55	58	56	56	45	57	49	49	43	35
21	58	N/A	47	55	55	56	57	47	58	46	50	42	29
22	63	N/A	42	48	54	54	56	47	55	46	49	41	32
23	62	N/A	46	52	57	57	57	46	54	47	45	45	29
24	63	N/A	43	51	56	58	58	47	57	53	49	46	35
25	62	64	52	56	59	59	61	48	57	49	49	49	27
26	62	61	43	54	58	59	59	45	57	53	54	42	28
27	59	52	49	51	56	57	58	44	53	44	43	43	32
28	58	65	43	51	55	55	57	51	56	48	50	43	39
29	60	56	39	53	57	56	59	48	57	46	48	50	45
30	62	65	41	56	59	58	57	45	55	48	41	46	38
31	61	56	40	52	56	57	57	48	56	46	46	40	N/A
Average	61	59	47	54	58	58	59	50	56	49	49	48	37
No. Day	31	23	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	27

Notes: Values reported are aircraft measured CNEL values at each monitor.

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$$CNEL_{avg} = 10\log\left(\frac{1}{N}\sum 10^{CNEL_i/10}\right)$$



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### 1 Introduction

This Quarterly Noise Monitoring report for the First Quarter of 2021 (1Q2021) was prepared for the Port of Oakland by HMMH. This report provides the aircraft noise levels and airport operations at Metropolitan Oakland International Airport (OAK) for the three-month period from January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021 and satisfies the California Division of Aeronautics Noise Standards<sup>2</sup>, Section 5025 requirements.

According to the California Noise Standards, hereinafter referred to as "Title 21", a county may declare an airport within its boundaries to have a noise problem and shall enforce Title 21 requirements. Alameda County has declared OAK a "noise problem" airport. As such, the County must provide quarterly reports to the California Department of Transportation containing at least the following information:

- A map illustrating the noise impact boundary; Title 21, Section 5012, Airport Noise Standard, indicates
  that the "noise impact area" is based on the standard of 65 dB Community Noise Equivalent Level
  (CNEL); see Figure ES-1 in the Executive Summary
- The annual noise impact area and the estimated number of dwelling units and people residing with the noise impact area; see Form DOA 617 in the Executive Summary
- Daily CNEL measurements, number of aircraft operations, and estimated number of operations of the highest noise level aircraft type during the calendar quarter; see Tables ES-1 through ES-3 and Form DOA 617 in the Executive Summary
- Form DOA 617; see the Executive Summary

This report meets and exceeds Title 21's reporting requirements for 1Q2021. The following sections provide the methodology used to obtain the information reported and further details about the aircraft operations and noise exposure from those operations in the OAK environs. This report is organized as follows:

Section 2: Aircraft Noise and Operations Measurements

Section 3: Airport Operations

Section 4: Preparation of Annual CNEL Contours

Section 5: Validation of Noise Impact Area Map

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> State of California Department of Transportation Division of Aeronautics, Title 21, Subchapter 6, Noise Standards, Register 90, No. 10—3-10-90.



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### 2 Aircraft Noise and Operations Measurements

On September 14, 1990, the Port of Oakland (Port), as the airport proprietor, installed a state-of-the-art noise and operations monitoring system (NOMS)<sup>3</sup>, which automatically collects flight track and aircraft identification data for a majority of all operations at the airport and measures and reports noise levels at specific locations. In 2006 and 2011, the Port upgraded their NOMS with ANOMS8 software and Envirosuite, formerly EMS Brüel & Kjaer (B&K) 3639-E noise monitors, respectively. To maintain the most up-to-date technology, the Port upgraded to ANOMS9 software in 2016.

As shown in Figure ES-1, OAK's NOMS is currently configured with thirteen (13)<sup>4</sup> Remote Monitoring Terminals (RMTs) dispersed in the communities surrounding OAK to assist in evaluating compliance with OAK's established flight pattern and aircraft noise abatement procedures, and to assess the noise impact in residential areas from OAK aircraft operations. ANOMS™ correlates recorded noise events at each RMT with aircraft flight track records obtained from the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) System Wide Information Management (SWIM) advanced technology program.

The SWIM data is used to separate aircraft and non-aircraft noise events recorded at the RMTs. ANOMS™ also excludes noise events due to aircraft overflights from other airports (such as San Francisco International) using the aircraft identification information included in the data.

The 13 RMTs located in the community are Envirosuite Noise Monitoring Terminal 3639-E Precision Integrating Sound Level Meters fitted with B&K Type 4952 outdoor microphone assemblies. The RMTs are housed in weatherproof cabinets, and the microphones are placed on booms at least 20 feet above the ground surface or at least 10 feet above neighboring rooftops, whichever is higher, and has a clear line of sight to the path of aircraft in flight. The RMTs report the maximum A-weighted sound level (L<sub>max</sub>), the duration of a noise event at a pre-programmed threshold sound level, and the (A-weighted) Single Event Noise Exposure Level (SENEL) for single noise events. The RMT's pre-programmed parameters were determined from previous field observations of aircraft and background noise levels at each measurement site. ANOMS™ also reports the Hourly Noise Level (HNL) and CNEL based on both overall noise levels and individual noise events exceeding the selected measurement threshold levels.

The RMT's internal calibration system performs daily checks using an acoustic actuator. The RMTs are externally calibrated periodically, per manufacturer's recommendations, using an acoustical calibrator certified to be consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) reference levels. The measurement systems meet all pertinent specifications of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) for Type 1 Precision sound level meters and microphones and comply with all applicable requirements of Title 21.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> RMT 14 is inactive due to construction at site.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The OAK system utilizes ANOMS<sup>™</sup>, which is a product of Envirosuite.

# 3 Airport Operations

Title 21 requires the reporting of the total number of airport operations during the calendar quarter. Table 1 provides a summary of the monthly activity for January through March 2021 as captured in ANOMS™, along with the previous quarter totals. The table presents aircraft operations at OAK in the following eight categories: commercial jets, regional jets, corporate jets, turbo-propeller (turboprops), propeller, helicopters, military, and unknown. Commercial jets are primarily large jets consisting of both passenger carriers and freight operators as defined in FAA Order 7210.3. Regional jets are primarily small commercial jets while corporate jets have fewer seats and are typically flown as charter operations. The military category contains propeller, rotorcraft, and jet aircraft.

Table 1 indicates a decrease in commercial jets by 7.4% in the first quarter 2021. Regional jets and corporate jets increased by 7.9% and 4.6%, respectively, while turboprops, propeller and helicopter activity decreased by 3.9%, 14.2% and 100%, respectively. Military aircraft captured by ANOMS™ decreased to zero operations in the first quarter 2021. Unknown aircraft activity remained the same at zero operations in the first quarter 2021 compared to the fourth quarter 2020. Overall, OAK total aircraft operations, as captured in ANOMS™, decreased by 5.1% during the first quarter of 2021 compared to the fourth quarter of 2020.

Aircraft Catagony		Percent				
Aircraft Category	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	4Q2020	Change
Commercial Jets	5,628	4,994	6,479	17,101	18,472	-7.4%
Regional Jets	753	753	864	2,370	2,197	7.9%
Corporate Jets	1,425	1,491	1,654	4,570	4,371	4.6%
Turboprops	526	507	585	1,618	1,684	-3.9%
Propeller	807	937	948	2,692	3,137	-14.2%
Helicopters	0	0	0	0	18	-100.0%
Military	0	0	0	0	2	-100.0%
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	9,139	8,682	10,530	28,351	29,881	-5.1%

Table 1. Monthly Aircraft Operational Activity – First Quarter 2021

Aircraft operations from OAK determine CNEL in the OAK environs, which by definition is a daily noise exposure. To determine the average daily noise exposure from OAK operations, additional information is required for determining aircraft fleet mix, runway use, and time of day of the operations, since CNEL weights evening (7pm to 10pm) and night (10pm to 7am) noise levels by adding approximately 5 dB and 10 dB respectively to noise levels during evening and night periods.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ANOMS military operations unavailable due to security reasons. FAA Air Traffic Activity System (ATADS) reported 119 itinerant and 54 local military operations during 1Q2021.



### 4 Preparation of Annual CNEL Contours

CNEL can be calculated or estimated through modeling. OAK measures CNEL at each of the aforementioned RMTs, but determination of CNEL contours requires the use of a noise model such as the FAA Aviation Environmental Design Tool (AEDT). Title 21, Section 5012, Airport Noise Standard, indicates that the "noise impact area" is based on the standard of 65 dB CNEL. AEDT incorporates a comprehensive set of computer routines for calculating airport noise exposure contours. HMMH used the most current release of AEDT, namely Version 3c, to prepare the annual contours for the 12 months ending with the fourth quarter 2020.

HMMH used the Port of Oakland's flight track files and noise level measurement data collected by ANOMS™ as the basis for predicting and validating aircraft noise at OAK using AEDT. Data for aircraft activity, aircraft fleet mix including helicopters, and airport configuration used in the noise modeling process were obtained from ANOMS™ for the time period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The following sections provide a summary of the data, methods and assumptions used to prepare the Annual CNEL contours.

#### 4.1 AEDT Required Data

AEDT requires data in three principal categories: (1) aircraft noise and performance data, (2) airport layout, and (3) aircraft operational data.

#### 4.1.1 Aircraft noise and performance data

AEDT includes a database of noise and performance data for a broad range of representative aircraft types. Noise data cover a range of distances (from 200 feet to 25,000 feet) for specific thrust levels. Performance data include thrust, speed, and altitude profiles for takeoff and landing operations. The AEDT database contains standard noise and performance data for more than 250 different aircraft types. The program automatically accesses the applicable noise and performance data for departure and approach operations by those aircraft. For aircraft not included in the database, the FAA maintains a list of acceptable "substitutes".

Airfield elevation and average temperature have an effect on aircraft performance; these are accounted for in AEDT. For example, aircraft departing from a high-altitude airport and/or at high temperatures must use more thrust than at lower elevations and temperatures. The performance data used by AEDT define the length of the takeoff roll (based on aircraft takeoff weight), the climb rate, and speeds for each flight segment.



### 4.1.2 Airport layout

AEDT requires the following airfield layout related inputs:

- Runway orientations
- Runway lengths
- Runway end elevations
- Start-of-takeoff-roll points on each runway
- Landing touchdown points on each runway
- Runway threshold crossing heights
- Runway approach slopes
- Annual average temperature, pressure, relative humidity, and runway-specific headwinds

#### 4.1.3 Aircraft operational data

AEDT requires the following aircraft operational inputs:

- Number of aircraft operations
- Aircraft fleet mix
- Day-evening-night split of operations
- Runway utilization
- Flight track geometry and utilization

For accurate determination of daily noise exposure using actual aircraft operations for modeling purposes, the ANOMS<sup>™</sup> database provided complete and accurate information for approximately 132,071 operations on 366 days<sup>6</sup>.

#### 4.2 Preparation of AEDT-input Files

As directed by the Port, HMMH prepared the AEDT input files through the use of our proprietary preprocessor which takes maximum advantage of both AEDT's capabilities and the investment that the Port has made in operations monitoring with ANOMS™. Our preprocessor automates the process of preparing the AEDT inputs directly from the flight operations monitoring results, to permit airports to model the full diversity of activity as precisely as possible. Rather than modeling a single annual-average day, this allows the determination of noise exposure from actual OAK flight operations for a total of 366 days. It should be noted that AEDT is used for all noise calculations. The preprocessor provides an organizational structure to model individual flight tracks in AEDT. It does not modify AEDT standard noise, performance, or aircraft substitution data, but rather selects the best standard data or FAA approved non-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The AEDT preprocessor, successfully processed 366 days of complete and accurate flight track data to determine the average daily noise exposure. Traditional modeling techniques determine daily noise exposure from a single day of "annual-average" activity.



standard data available to AEDT for each individual flight track. The following subsections summarize the noise modeling inputs for January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 operations at OAK.

#### 4.2.1 Annual-average airport operations, aircraft fleet mix and period of day

AEDT aircraft types were assigned based on the FAA aircraft code associated with each flight, supplemented by FAA registration data. For commercial operations, selection of the specific AEDT aircraft type was accomplished by using the fleet mix of each airline. This information permits a rational and representative selection of AEDT aircraft types. In cases where multiple AEDT types are available for a single FAA code, the preprocessor chooses the AEDT type using a random process, with weightings corresponding to the number of each aircraft type operated by that particular airline.

To account for the noise level adjustments applied to evening and nighttime operations, all AEDT input must be coded as to whether it occurs in the day, evening or at night. Our preprocessor uses the time recorded in the operations data to assign each operation to the appropriate time of day based on the actual arrival or departure time at OAK. Operations between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. are unweighted. When the time of the operation is between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m., the operation is considered to occur during the evening, and a weighting factor of 3 times the noise energy (approximately 4.7 dB) is added in the computation of CNEL by AEDT. When the time of the operation is between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., the operation is considered to occur during the night and a weighting factor of 10 times (10 dB) is added in the computation of CNEL by AEDT.



### 4.2.2 Annual runway utilization

Runway use was determined from the actual flight track data acquired in ANOMS™. Table 2 summarizes the observed runway utilization rates during January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, collapsed into the following major aircraft type categories: (1) commercial jet, (2) regional jet, (3) corporate jet, (4) turbo-propeller (turboprops), (5) piston propeller aircraft (propeller), (6) military (7) helicopters and (8) other. AEDT modeled each aircraft operation on the individual runway and flight track found in the ANOMS™ sample, thus each aircraft type has unique runway utilization.

Table 2 summarizes the annual arrival and departure activity.

Table 2. Annual Aircraft Operational Activity – January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020

Source: Port of Oakland ANOMS™ January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020

		South Fi	North Field								
Aircraft Category	RWY 30	RWY 12	South Field Total	RWY 28R/L	RWY 33	RWY 10R/L	RWY 15	PAD 1	North Field Total	Grand Total	
			Aircra	ıft Landir	ngs						
Commercial Jets	37,857	598	38,455	518	0	1	0	0	519	38,974	
Regional Jets	1,942	85	2,027	2,396	0	2	0	0	2,398	4,425	
Corporate Jets	318	104	422	7,544	3	24	0	0	7,571	7,993	
Turboprops	258	3	261	3,344	12	64	54	0	3,474	3,735	
Propeller	35	2	37	4,703	271	24	143	0	5,141	5,178	
Military	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	
Helicopters	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	124	149	149	
Other	1	(7)	(6)	(24)	30	(6)	(18)	539	521	515	
Total	40,411	785	41,196	18,508	316	109	179	663	19,775	60,971	
	Aircraft Departures										
Commercial Jets	37,689	631	38,320	435	0	0	0	0	435	38,755	
Regional Jets	4,214	39	4,253	63	0	44	0	0	107	4,360	
Corporate Jets	7,035	19	7,054	692	44	139	2	0	877	7,931	
Turboprops	123	13	136	2,851	52	50	3	0	2,956	3,092	
Propeller	248	3	251	1,488	2,822	53	234	0	4,597	4,848	
Military	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Helicopters	9	0	9	1	1	0	0	98	100	109	
Other	62	(8)	54	560	(44)	(7)	151	428	1,088	1,142	
Total	49,380	697	50,077	6,090	2,875	279	390	526	10,160	60,237	
	Touch & Go / Circuit Operations										
Total	192	12	204	7,923	2406	82	228	20	10,659	10,863	
Total Operations	89,983	1,494	91,477	32,521	5,597	470	797	1,209	40,594	132,071	

Note: "Other" aircraft category implies operations with known aircraft types, but no category associations.

"(#)" denotes runways with operations that were incorrectly assigned and adjusted prior to modeling.



### 4.2.3 Flight track geometry and utilization

The preprocessor uses every available flight track in the radar sample as an input to the Aviation Environmental Design Tool (AEDT). As discussed in Section 4.1.3, the OAK ANOMS database includes flight tracks with associated flight identification data for 132,071<sup>7</sup> operations from a total of 366 days modeled. The preprocessor converts each available flight track into AEDT noise model inputs. AEDT is then invoked to model these operations and generate an annual CNEL contour.

#### 4.2.4 Annual-average weather conditions

AEDT has several settings that affect aircraft performance profiles and sound propagation based on meteorological data at the airport. Meteorological settings include average temperature, sea level pressure, standard pressure, relative humidity, dew point, and headwind speed. Weather data were obtained from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Climatic Data Center averaged over a 1-year period for OAK, and these values were used in AEDT for computing the annual noise exposure map.

Temperature: 60.6 °F

Sea Level Pressure: 1017.2 millibarsStandard Pressure: 1016.9 millibars

Relative humidity: 67.6%

Dew Point: 48.8°F

Headwind speed: 1.7 knots

### 4.3 Annual Noise Impact Area Map

AEDT was used to prepare the OAK 12-month CNEL noise impact area map shown in Figure ES-1 based on the aircraft noise levels and airport operational factors described in the previous sections. Our preprocessor developed AEDT inputs for each available flight track in the radar data spanning 366 total days. These inputs were imported into and run through AEDT to produce the CNEL contour results.

AEDT predicted slightly higher CNEL than measured during the same period to the south of Runway 12/30 centerline. In compliance with the California Airport Noise Regulation, the AEDT modeled contour was adjusted to the 2020 annual-average measured results. Title 21 specifies that the measured results come from monitors near the closure point of the 65 dB CNEL contour, thus for OAK, the measured results from RMT1 were used. The measured and modeled CNEL at RMT1 was 61 dB and 62 dB, respectively. Thus, by applying a -1-dB correction to the contour, the modeled results match the measured data. This 1-dB adjustment was applied equally to the AEDT produced contours. The AEDT-produced 66 dB CNEL contour was used to represent the 65 dB CNEL contour shown in Figure ES-1, the AEDT-produced 71 dB CNEL contour represents the 70 dB CNEL contour shown in Figure ES-1 and the AEDT-produced 76 dB CNEL contour represents the 75 dB CNEL contour shown in Figure ES-1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> There are 1,120 operations from ANOMs that could not be modeled due to irregular track geometry.



The resulting 65, 70 and 75 dB CNEL contours were plotted on an ArcView map of the area surrounding the airport, as shown by Figure ES-1. The CNEL contours prepared for current annual average daily operations at OAK describe the airport noise environment within the requirements of the California Airport Noise Regulations.

The contour map was used to determine the number of dwelling units included within the Noise Impact Boundary defined by the California Airport Noise Regulations. For this analysis, it was assumed that a parcel was affected if it included an incompatible land use, and if any portion of the parcel was included in the 65 dB CNEL contour. Land use was determined from the AutoCAD parcel map prepared by the Port of Oakland, which was imported into ArcView. Based upon these data and in congruence with the previous reports, no incompatible residences exist within the current Noise Impact Boundary.



# Validation of Noise Impact Area Map

AEDT modeled the 2020 CNEL values at each of the current noise monitoring sites as described in the section above. Table 3 compares the measured CNEL values for the 12 months ending March 31, 2021 to the modeled CNEL values at each RMT location for calendar year 2020.

RMT 1 is the only monitoring terminal nearest to the 65 CNEL contour. Therefore, the results at RMT 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 were reviewed to assist with the assessment of the noise impact boundary as modeled using AEDT. As discussed in Section 4.3, the AEDT-modeled CNEL values were adjusted to the 2020 annualaverage RMT results. The first quarter 2021, 12 month rolling-average CNEL at RMT1 was 0.5 dB above the modeled CNEL.

**Table 3. Measured and Predicted Aircraft Annual CNEL Values** 

Source: Port of Oakland ANOMS™ April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021

RMT No.	RMT Name	Measured <sup>1</sup> CNEL (column A)	Modeled <sup>2</sup> CNEL (column B)	Difference (dB) (column B minus column A)				
1	Oro Loma San. Dist.	61	61	0.5				
2	San Leandro Marina	57	53	-4.5				
3	Fernside	46	47	0.5				
4	Godfrey Park	54	57	3.3				
5	Garden Isle	57	59	1.8				
6	Wake Lane	57	59	1.7				
7	Fire Station	58	59	1.5				
8	Earhart School	49	51	1.8				
9	Doolittle Drive	56	55	-0.6				
10	Tudor Court	48	48	0.3				
11	John Muir School	45	48	2.5				
12	Garfield School	45	49	4.4				
13	SLUSD Admin Office	36 42		6.8				
Notes:	Notes: <sup>1</sup> Average, April 2020 – March 2021							

<sup>2</sup> Modeled using AEDT 3c for 4Q2020 Model.



#### 5.1 South Field Contour Validation

RMT 1 measured an annual CNEL 0.5 dB below the modeled CNEL, after adjustment applied, at that location. Therefore, the lobe extending to the east southeast (predominant south runway arrival lobe) is accurate compared to the measured value.

Since no RMTs exist within the 65 dB CNEL contour on the opposite side of the airport (the predominant departure end of the south runway), the 60 dB contour was used to compare to measured levels at RMT 5, 6 and 7 to validate the shape and size of the predominant departure lobe. As shown in Table 3, the measured noise levels were as much 1.8 dB, 1.7 dB, and 1.5 dB less than modeled at RMT 5, 6, and 7, respectively. OAK elects to adopt the contour as presented despite the larger values to the North of South Field since the results produce zero persons within the contour. Therefore, the size and shape of the 65 dB CNEL is validated for South Field.

#### 5.2 North Field Contour Validation

Due to the relatively small noise impact boundary associated with North Field operations, RMT locations 4 and 9 were used to validate the 65 dB contour for North Field. RMT 4 is to the west of North Field and had a measured annual noise level of 54 dB, 3.3 dB less than modeled. RMT 9 is to the east of North Field and had measured annual noise level of 56 dB, 0.6 dB below the modeled levels. Therefore, the size and shape of the 65 dB CNEL is acceptable to report for North Field.

### 5.3 Single-Event Aircraft Noise Levels

ANOMS™ enables the airport to monitor the highest measured single-event noise levels for aircraft operations at all permanent noise monitors. As shown in Table 4, the highest measured A-weighted single-event aircraft noise level, i.e., SEL, during the calendar quarter from January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021 from OAK was 101.3 dB SEL produced by a Dassault Falcon 50 at RMT number 4.

Table 4. Highest Takeoff Noise Levels by Aircraft Type

Source: Port of Oakland ANOMS $^{\text{\tiny{M}}}$  January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021.

Aircraft Type	Total Operations <sup>1</sup>	Highest Measured SEL (dB)	Correlated RMT No.				
FA50	34	101.3	4				
WW24	10	99.0	5				
LJ35	95	97.5	5				
Note: Information is based on 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2021 ANOMS data.							

