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# News Release

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## **Willow Run Airport Announces First Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study Public Information Meeting**

**Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, December 4, 2007**

**Holiday Inn Express, 461 N. I-94 Service Dr., Van Buren Township, MI  
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Willow Run Airport staff and the consultant team of Barnard Dunkelberg & Company will hold the first in a series of public information meetings on the Willow Run Airport Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study on Tuesday, December 4, 2007. The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Holiday Inn Express, 461 North I-94 Service Drive Van Buren Township, MI. from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The purpose of this first meeting is to provide information to the public about the Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study process and to identify specific noise concerns of the public. The open house format of this meeting will provide information stations distributed around the meeting room. There will not be a formal presentation, however, Airport staff and the consultant team will be available to listen to citizen comments and answer questions about the Study.

The federally-funded Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study, now in the initial phase, is being conducted to identify and evaluate current and future noise effects caused by aircraft operations at Willow Run Airport. The ultimate goal of the Study is to work in conjunction with surrounding communities, aviation experts and airport neighbors to establish a balanced, cost effective and comprehensive Noise Compatibility Program for the airport and surrounding communities.

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“This Public Workshop is the first of several opportunities for public involvement in the Part 150 process. The Airport Authority elected to initiate this voluntary study in an effort to be a good neighbor to communities surrounding Willow Run. Input from residents of these communities is vital to the success of the Study,” stated Lester Robinson, Wayne County Airport Authority CEO.

Throughout the Study there will be several opportunities for the public to be involved in the Part 150 process. Public Information meetings will be held at to allow people to view noise exposure maps showing the level of aircraft noise at various locations, flight tracks and other data about aircraft activity at Willow Run Airport. Alternatives and recommendations to reduce the effect of aircraft generated noise will be developed for review and comment by the public.

The Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study is expected to be completed in late 2008. Following adoption by the Wayne County Airport Authority, the Noise Compatibility Plan must be reviewed and approved by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in order to make the Plan eligible for federal funding.

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