



Regional Plan for the Lake Tahoe Basin

GOALS AND POLICIES

CUMULATIVE NOISE EVENTS[§]	
Land Use Category	Average Noise Level Or CNEL range (dBA)
NUMERICAL STANDARDS: Background noise levels shall not exceed the following levels:	
High Density Residential Areas	55
Low Density Residential Areas	50
Hotel/Motel Areas	60
Commercial Areas	60
Industrial Areas	65
Urban Outdoor Recreation Areas	55
Rural Outdoor Recreation Areas	50
Wilderness and Roadless Areas	45
Critical Wildlife Habitat Areas	45
POLICY STATEMENT: It shall be a policy of the TRPA Governing Board in the development of the Regional Plan to define, locate, and establish CNEL levels for transportation corridors.	
TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS ¹	
Highway 50	65 ²
Highways 89, 207, 28, 267 and 431	55 ²
South Lake Tahoe Airport	60 ³
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recommended CNEL levels for transportation corridors. 2. This recommended threshold overrides the land use CNEL thresholds and is limited to an area within 300 feet from the edge of the road. 3. This recommended threshold applies to those areas impacted by the approved flight paths 	

GOAL #1

SINGLE EVENT NOISE STANDARDS SHALL BE ATTAINED AND MAINTAINED.

People can be annoyed by a specific noise source. Thresholds were adopted that apply to aircraft, boats, motor vehicles, off-road vehicles, and snowmobiles to reduce impacts associated with single noise events.

POLICIES

1. **AN ORDINANCE AND ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM SHALL BE DEVELOPED TO PERMIT ONLY AIRCRAFT THAT MEET THE SINGLE EVENT NOISE THRESHOLDS TO USE THE AIRPORT.**

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