



**O'HARE NOISE  
COMPATIBILITY  
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### **3 Airlines, FAA Receive Fly Quiet Awards from O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission**

Des Plaines, Ill., December 22, 2008—Three airlines and the Federal Aviation Administration received Fly Quiet awards this month from the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC) for outstanding efforts to further reduce the impact of aircraft noise.

Award recipients, based at O'Hare International Airport, are Northwest Airlines, large carrier; Mexicana Airlines, small carrier; and FedEx Express, cargo carrier. Amy Hanson, environmental program specialist in the FAA's Chicago Airports District Office, Des Plaines, received an "Above and Beyond" award for outstanding commitment and responsiveness to ONCC and its members.

Fly Quiet program initiatives, developed in 1997 by the Chicago Department of Aviation in cooperation with ONCC, the airlines and air traffic controllers, include special departure procedures and preferential runway use between the hours of 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.; use of the Ground Run-Up Enclosure to reduce engine run-up noise during maintenance; and participation in ONCC meetings and the O'Hare Maintenance Managers special forums.





ONCC, composed of 27 Cook and DuPage communities, Cook County and 15 school districts, strives to reduce the impact of aircraft noise on surrounding neighborhoods through home and school sound insulation, and to reduce, wherever possible, aircraft noise at its source. For more information about ONCC, contact Brian Gilligan, 773-686-3198 or visit [www.oharenoise.org](http://www.oharenoise.org).

ONCC member communities: Arlington Heights, Bartlett, Bellwood, Chicago, Des Plaines, Elmwood Park, Franklin Park, Harwood Heights, Hoffman Estates, Itasca, Maywood, Melrose Park, Mount Prospect, Niles, Norridge, Northlake, Oak Park, Palatine, Park Ridge, River Forest, River Grove, Rolling Meadows, Rosemont, Schaumburg, Schiller Park, Stone Park, Wood Dale and Cook County.

ONCC member school districts: 59; 63; 80; 81; 84; 84.5; 85.5; 86; 87; 88; 89; 214; 234; 299; and 401.

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