

## **Communities for a Responsible Mather Airport (CRMA)**

*Your source for credible, timely and historical information concerning the impact of the Mather Airport Cargo Operation on the surrounding communities' of Sacramento and El Dorado Counties.*

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Dear El Dorado County Board of Supervisors:

I would like to introduce you to the **Communities for a Responsible Mather Airport (CRMA)**. We are comprised of residents from the surrounding communities in El Dorado and Sacramento Counties whose Quality-of-Life has been personally impacted by low aircraft flyovers from the Mather Airport Cargo Operation. Many of the members of CRMA have been intimately involved with the Mather Airport Master Plan for over 18 years. Some of us were appointed by El Dorado County Board of Supervisors to serve on committees such as the El Dorado Hills Area Planning Advisory Committee (APAC)/Community Council (EDHCC) Sub Committee Mather Airport Master Plan Review Committee and the Sacramento County Airport System Mather Airport Aircraft Overflight Noise Group (MAAONG). Our only special interest is the preservation of the surrounding communities' Quality-of-Life.

### **Our single Goal:**

**To preserve the surrounding communities' Quality-of-Life by returning the Mather Airport Cargo Operations back to its origin, the Sacramento International Airport.**

As you know, the CRMA has been instrumental in encouraging the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors to retain legal counsel (Michael V. Brady of Brady and Vinding) and file a law suit on behalf of El Dorado County residents. (El Dorado County v. Sacramento County and Sacramento County Airport System;

Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2014-80001947). We greatly thank you for your support. However, we would recommend that the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors file an injunction to stop the implementation of the Mather Airport Master Plan, more specifically all the improvements of the Mather Airport Cargo Operation until the law suit has been settled.

Going forward, we would like to be your credible, timely and historical source of information concerning the Mather Airport Master Plan. We are in the process of developing our new web site Mather Airport Watch [www.MatherAirportWatch.org](http://www.MatherAirportWatch.org) . When the web site is available we would encourage you to sign up to receive breaking news events. We anticipate the site to be up and running within 20 days. In the interim, please contact Larry Brilliant, Chair, of the El Dorado Hills APAC/CC Sub-Committee - Mather Airport Master Plan Review Committee and Co-Chair of CRMA. Additionally, we would encourage you to join the National Organization to Insure A Sound Controlled Environment, N.O.I.S.E., <http://www.aviation-noise.org/> . This organization's membership is comprised of locally elected officials, leading researchers, policy makers, and industry stakeholders. This organization is an excellent resource to obtain information from experts about current aviation noise issues, pending public policy issues, and to be aware of successful strategies.

The following is a brief overview of what CRMA is FOR and AGAINST:

**We are FOR:**

1. Returning the Mather Airport Cargo Operations back to its origin, the Sacramento International Airport.
2. Preservation of our Communities' Quality-of-Life by:
  - Eliminating the environmental pollutions, caused by the Airport Cargo Operations and low altitude Cargo Air Craft Flyovers, such as noise, odors, vibration, light, and air quality impacts on our communities' environments.NOTE: These environmental impacts will impact our health and daily life activities.
3. Preserving residential and commercial property values
4. Insuring the safety of our communities
5. Credible and transparent flow of information between local governmental agencies and the surrounding impacted communities' residents.
6. Promoting viable economic growth within the region by:
  - Converting the current Mather Airport Master plan land use to a more vigorous, comprehensive, viable economic land use, e.g. combination Business Park, residential housing, and recreation use which will enhance the surrounding communities' economy and Quality-of-Life.

**We are AGAINST:**

1. The current Mather Airport Master Plan specifically the Cargo Operations.
2. Loss of surrounding communities' resident's Quality-of-Life
3. Expansion of the current Mather Airport Cargo Operation to a "Regional Cargo Hub" by the:
  - Installation of a CAT III Instrument Landing System (ultimate projected cost of approximately 25 million dollars)

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- Lengthening aircraft landing runway and taxi ways
- General changes to airport cargo operations facilities

NOTE: The above expansions would allow cargo aircraft to land in all weather conditions resulting in increased low altitude aircraft flyovers of our communities.

4. The loss of residential and commercial property values.
5. Increased environmental pollution on the surrounding communities' environments

At any time should anyone have any questions or need additional information please contact Larry Brilliant or Bill Bryant.

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