

Witham Field Airport Noise

What You Can Do About It

The number of **aircraft flying over Palm City Road on a daily basis** has increased exponentially since January 1, 2017. Most days, **more than 100 flights** have been heard flying over our otherwise peaceful communities. Airport officials have admitted (finally) that flight restrictions due to President Trump's visits to Mar-a-Lago cause more air traffic at Witham Field, but there's more to it than that.

The Truth: When President Trump is in residence in Palm Beach County, there are more *noisy* planes over our neighborhood, but there are fewer aircraft overall. March 17, (no Temporary Flight Restrictions), we recorded 141 the entire day; March 18 (with TFR), we recorded 45 aircraft the entire day.

Why It Matters: If the noise itself doesn't bother you, consider these factors:

A study of 3.6 million people living near Heathrow Airport revealed increased risk for stroke, coronary heart disease, and cardiovascular disease.

And if that doesn't matter, then you should know that increased airport noise equates to reduced property values.

What To Do About It:

1. Submit **noise complaints** using the County's form at: <https://airportnoise.martin.fl.us/app/f?p=148:500>

Under Florida Law, all content provided via this form is subject to public disclosure as per F.S. Chapter 119, also known as the Public Records Law.

To avoid having identifying information made public:

Use your first name and last initial or first initial and last name, instead of your full name.

Use an email address you don't mind being published or click NO to being contacted.

Use your street name without house number.

2. Contact one or all of these representatives let them know that **more than 100 flights per day** over any **residential area** is **NOT acceptable**:

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3. Keep track of the number of times and dates you (a) file complaints and (b) contact your commissioner, in case you need to refer to this information at a later date.