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TO: F-ARM-NPRM-COMMENTS at ARM

Subject: Grand Canyon Overflight noise

Dear People,

I am writing to you regarding the Grand Canyon overflight noise problem. The recent new regulations are far too lenient to make the slightest improvement on the severe nuisance that overflight noise causes to the non-flying Canyon visitor.

Any change in the regulations must require the following:

Tour operators should be required to convert to the quietest technology available.

We should not allow whatever gains are made by this conversion to be lost by allowing more aircraft into the airspace. The cap on the number of aircraft should be firm and permanent.

Specifications for categorizing an aircraft's noise efficiency should be more stringent than those proposed.

No aircraft - even the less noisy ones - should be granted a route through a flight free zone.

Helicopters are by far the most intrusive to a Grand Canyon experience. Please do all you can to prohibit their use.

Sincerely,

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