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Hello,

I want to put in my voice to support those in favor of the greatest quiet possible in/over the Grand Canyon. I have been in or by the Canyon every year possible, which has been most, since 1958. It is my favorite place on earth, precisely because of its majesty and silence. My soul and those of men and women of its history and prehistory are there and cannot be found or heard with the din of aircraft.

Recent steps have brought about some improvement; I hope that in future all flights over the Canyon will be with the quietest possible aircraft. I am against a free-flight zone because of both the noise and the safety issues of such. I hope that the "techies", the helicopter jocks (I took a helicopter ride once and was shocked at the risks taken by the company and the pilot for the sake of their income.) and the quick-stop tourists will find a way to enjoy the Canyon without changing it by their noise.

The Canyon is for everyone to enjoy, but their mode of enjoyment must not destroy its value to others.

Thank you.

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