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**From:** Sara Tripalin <Stripalin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 03, 2019 10:06 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:  
Please vote against the addition of the F-35s to Truax field. The F-16s are already enough at times. With the addition of the F-35 it will be a noise pollution and detrimental to our peaceful living. The East and North East side of Madison are already in great need of a vision and oversight on other concerning areas of living/wellbeing. Please don't add insult to injury.

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Katherine van Wormer <katherine.vanwormer@uni.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 06, 2019 9:49 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 fighter jet

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Please Say No to the F-35 Nuclear Fighter Jets

In 2016, President Obama visited Hiroshima and called “for a world without nuclear weapons.” We can contemplate this calling during the August anniversary of the horrendous bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and of the suffering of the Japanese people there.

Even now the town of Madison, Wisconsin considers making this one of the cities to house the controversial F-35A fighter jets. Not only are children on the East side of town at risk from dangerous noise levels, but these planes that cost 100 million each, are designed to carry the most destructive nuclear weapons in U.S. history. Consequently, as one of the homes of the F-35, Madison will be placed at high risk for enemy targeting. The noise blast during the required regular training exercises will raise the stress levels throughout the community. In addition, there is the risk of crashes as these jets, with a poor safety record, are coated with a highly toxic material so that they can’t be detected by radar. I trust that the leaders of Madison will, when they research the facts, organize speak out to oppose plans for Madison to become involved in preparation for nuclear warfare.

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All Alders

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**From:** John Newman <reporting@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2019 3:01 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** STOP the F-35s

General Information

Name: John Newman  
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City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53704  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email:  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Dear Madison Alders,

Please do everything in your power to STOP the F-35s from being based at Truax.

Thank you,

John Newman

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Benjamin Redding <redding.benjamin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2019 10:10 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35As at Truax

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Madison Alders

I wanted to share with you comments I recently submitted to the Air Force regarding the potential changes at Truax. Despite my Monona address, I hope that this will help persuade you to oppose the changes. I have also shared these with Mayor Rhodes-Conway.

Thank you and please feel free to contact me.

My comments:

I am writing to share my concerns regarding the noise impacts of the proposed US Air Force USAF F-35A operational beddown at the 115th Fighter Wing's location at Truax Field. As the father of a child with autism spectrum disorder ASD and sensory processing disorder SPD who would be negatively impacted by the increased noise the change would bring, I would like to share a perspective that seems to be missed by the Draft Environmental Impact Statement EIS. Additionally, I would like to point out what I consider to be a significant omission in the final June 2019 noise analysis study referenced by the Draft EIS.

Regarding the noise study's omission: the analysis is missing a critical point of interest within the study area. Isthmus Montessori Academy Public IMAP is a public charter school at 1802 Pankratz Street, and potentially has part of its property falling within the 65dB contour line shown in the noise study's Figure 4-2 "DNL Contours for... Proposed Action versus Current." This school has been at this location for over a year and its omission challenges the credibility of this study, which is heavily referenced within the Draft EIS.

Regarding my perspective as a parent of a child with ASD and SPD: my child attends IMAP and his ability to maintain emotional stability during the school day risks being substantially impacted by both the increase in noise and the increase in proposed noise events 47% per the Draft EIS. IMAP staff there work hard to minimize surprises as best they can to help him maintain control of his emotions and subsequently his body throughout the day. Children with SPD can be substantially impacted by loud noise events. In my child, these impacts can lead to emotional dysregulation that can be harmful to himself and others around him, and are detrimental to his learning.

I question whether the noise thresholds used in the study consider impacts to individuals with SPD, as I can share anecdotally that as recently as last night while driving with the windows down on Fair Oaks Avenue south of the railroad tracks, an overhead F-16 flight caused substantial disruption and ultimately dysregulation in my son. Given that this location is outside of the proposed impact zone, I can't imagine how disruptive to him an even louder jet could

be.

At a minimum, impacts to individuals with SPD deserve consideration as the Richardson School point of interest 14 states on its website that it “serves children with autism spectrum disorders...” and several other “developmental/neurological disabilities and behavioral and emotional issues.” Studies suggest that as much as 88% of individuals with ASD have a comorbid diagnosis of SPD. It is my opinion that this deserves special consideration beyond simply a “windows open” vs. “windows closed” set of noise level conclusions.

These statements are mine alone and are made without input or awareness from staff of IMAP or the Richardson School.

Ben Redding

Recipient:  
All Alders

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**From:** Beth Newman <bethnewman108@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2019 2:08 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F35s at Truax Field

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Please do NOT approve the location of the F35s at Truax Field. The airport is in an urban setting. Many, many people live close to the airport. There is a growing college right there too. Even neighborhoods not directly adjacent to the airport - particularly the near East side - will be adversely affected by increased jet traffic. The airforce does not need to place the jets here they have other potential locations that will not affect a large resident population. Please work against this potential degradation to our environment.

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All Alders

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**From:** Full Moon Adventures  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2019 6:16 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Truax

General Information

Name: Steve Hauge  
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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I live on the east side near the airport and the military planes have been flying over our house forever. Same house since 1955. I have no problem whatsoever with the F-35 planes and am looking forward to seeing them flying here soon. It is not necessary to contact me. But if questions feel free.  
Thank-you

Recipient:  
All Alders

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**From:** Kat Ruth-Leigh <Kruthleigh@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:10 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Need help understanding and investigating F135 impacts

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Dear common council,

I am a homeowner of one the ~1000 homes that will be negatively impacted if the F135 jet expansion at Truax field goes through. I am deeply disturbed by the possibility and opposed to the expansion, and would like your help with the following:

- Which alder people can I work with while my alder is absent on paternity leave? I live in the Eken Park neighborhood on commercial avenue?
- Who in the city should I contact to get additional information about the noise zoning and land use recommendations that are mentioned in the report? There is a complete lack of information in the report and local journalism about what displacement will look like, what the laws mean, and specifically what this means for the people affected.
- There are no neighborhood meetings planned to help residents understand how the noise will affect them or what it will mean if their our houses become legally unlivable. The open house put on by the Air Force is far away from the affected neighborhoods and is likely to be filled with pro-jet propaganda. Please tell me how you can help address this specific egregious wrong by hosting neighborhood meetings and open house meetings to educate the 2000+ people who are at risk of being displaced or negatively impacted by this issue.
- Ultimately, who can say the final no to the Truax expansion and what would it take at this point?

I haven't seen any information about how any of you or the common council as a whole are working to stop the expansion of Truax field. IF you have been working towards this, please send me information so I can get involved. If you haven't, please begin and let me know how you plan to start.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible on this very consequential and time sensitive matter.

Kat

Recipient:  
All Alders



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**From:** Philosophy Walker <philosophyw@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 16, 2019 1:54 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 Jets at Truax

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

My name is Philosophy Walker, and I live on the West Side of Madison. Recently I became aware of the new noise contour that is expected to result on the East Side due to the flying of F-35 jets out of Truax Air Force Base.

While my home is not within the area expected to be a "contour where housing is incompatible absent an exception" EIS utive summary, pg ES-16, I'm still deeply concerned about the effects of these jets on our local community and alarmed that the city and state governments don't seem to be mobilizing against these effects. Thousands of residents either losing their homes or losing whatever value their homes possess would have a widely negative economic impact on Madison, regardless of where citizens live. And it's rare for noise pollution to stay nicely bounded within one small area as I mentioned previously, I live on the West Side and I have frequently found the current jets disruptive to my family. The roughly 60 jobs expected to result from these new jets are certainly not worth the disruption to the East Side communities and the economic and environmental impact the jets will have on the city at large.

I haven't yet seen a statement from your office on this issue, but I'd love to know more about what steps citizens can take to prevent these jets from being stationed at Truax. Please let me know if and how I can be involved in any such efforts. Thanks for your time!

Best,  
Philosophy Walker

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Terry Cohn <Terrycohn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2019 9:06 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35s concern

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

The operation of F 35s does NOT belong in a metropolitan area. Some of the other sites are not located within a city. There are reports that water and soil contamination is a problem already from the F16s. I find fault with this environmental impact study. ES-2 page 13 and 14 claims no significant impacts to soil and water during installation, but does not address the actual impact of washing and runoff once the planes are in use. It is important to look at the DAILY impacts of contamination and the social justice impacts on pages 11 and 12. This is the daily exposure to noise and Madison ranks the worst. Florida appears the best alternative. I urge you to represent the safety and health regards of the city of Madison. In addition I urge you, as elected officials of the City of Madison, to call Tammy Baldwin who sits on the Health Education and Labor Committee 608-264-5338, 202-224-5653, [www.baldwin.senate.gov](http://www.baldwin.senate.gov) Mark Pocan 202-225-2906, 608-258-9800, [www.pocan.house.gov/contact/offices](http://www.pocan.house.gov/contact/offices) AND attend the September 12 meeting 5-6:30 at the Alliant Energy Center.

Thank you!

A concerned Madisonian,  
Terry Cohn

Recipient:  
All Alders

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**From:** Michael Kindschi <kindschim@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 03, 2019 11:36 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I am contacting you to tell you that not only do I live on the east side of Madison, and I support the F-35 mission.

It is important for two reasons our local economy and our national security.

I know many people are concerned about noise, but, at worst, that is a minor inconvenience.

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Doreen Giles <dvgiles@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 07, 2019 1:27 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35s adverse affect on local businesses

General Information

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State: wi  
ZIP: 53704  
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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Dear Alders: A lot of articles we've seen that are opposed to the F-35s coming to Truax talk about the many people who live in the area that will be negatively affected. We haven't seen anything written pointing out the negative impacts on the many businesses in the area and the hundreds perhaps thousands of people who own them, work there and come for services provided there. There are a lot of jobs in the area already that are at stake - a lot more than the 60-some jobs that are said will come with the F-35s.

In June 2019, the three of us sending this message moved our shared health care office - offering acupuncture, chiropractic and massage - to 2702 International Lane, Suite 208, near the airport. We were at 2037 Winnebago Street for over 20 years. When our previous landlord gave us notice last January so he can expand his business into our space, we couldn't find a suitable spot in our neighborhood. Affordability was the main issue - our beloved Schenk-Atwood neighborhood is becoming gentrified. We also needed parking, accessible entrances and bathrooms, and access to a bus line.

A friend suggested looking on International, and we found several spaces that were affordable. We are very pleased with the one we landed in - it's in a beautiful woodsy setting, is spacious, quiet, and is well-kept by attentive landlords. Once in a while - and not every day, not even every week - a military jet goes by and we have to stop any conversation with clients or on the phone, and it's over in about 30-45 seconds. We signed a 5-year lease.

There are many multi-floor, multi-office buildings on and near International Lane, and there must be many hundreds or even thousands of employees, clients and patients coming for the services offered. There are several integrative health care practitioners like us providing clients in a small business setting with acupuncture, massage, cranio-sacral therapy, etc., as well as dentists, psychotherapists, psychiatrists, accountants, financial planners, and more. The Richardson school is next door to us with teachers and young students. Great Lakes higher education and TASC are big employers. We like it here and being near the airport is feasible because the noise and vibration of military jets disrupt our services only briefly and not even daily. We don't have any noise from commercial jets.

It's alarming to read about the F-35s increased flight frequency and more intensely loud, more strongly vibrating disruptions that we small business owners, large business owners, employees, clients and patients will be subjected to, perhaps multiple times a day, perhaps daily. Can you imagine being a person - perhaps a veteran with PTSD - working through a traumatic history with a psychotherapist on International Lane when these intense noise and vibration episodes keep interrupting your therapy session? Or a frightened dental patient steeling their nerves for a root canal, or worse, being drilled on when these F35s fly over? In our own office, our patients are coming for a peaceful respite, a place where they can let down their guard and let healing progress. Again, at the current frequency and loudness, there isn't a problem. But if it increases in volume, vibration and frequency, it will be very disruptive to our patients and

businesses.

It makes sense for the F-35s to be located in one of the other cities where they will be far from people's homes and far from people's businesses.

Thank you for your attention. Please do not let the F-35s come to Truax, where they will displace and disrupt hundreds, perhaps even thousands, of people's lives, homes and businesses.

Sincerely,  
Doreen Giles, L.Ac.  
Cynthia Rose, D.C.  
Joanne Schilling, LMT

Recipient:  
All Alders



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**From:** Brian Benford <brianbenford00@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 08, 2019 12:40 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35  
**Attachments:** nojet.docx

Please see attached note.

Thank you

Brian Benford





Dear Alders

I am writing today because I am deeply opposed to stationing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base in Madison, Wisconsin. The tremendous detriments to our community offered by placing these jets here far outweigh any perceived economic benefits. Already we must endure unacceptable noise levels from the current fleet of jets stationed at Truax. Neighborhoods close to the air field include many low-income, marginalized children and families that will be negatively impacted. To turn a blind eye to them is reckless. I am tremendously disappointed that more of our elected officials have not spoken out against this potential assault on our community. I am asking you today to take an active and moral stance against allowing these jets to be stationed here in Madison.

Respectfully submitted

Brian Benford

2273 East Washington Ave. #1

Madison WI 53704



**From:** Paul Nelson <pmn\_wis@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2019 3:48 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** OPPOSED TO F35-A AIRCRAFT IN MADISON

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Dear Council Members:

I AM OPPOSED TO LOCATING THE F35-A FIGHTER AT DANE COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT

I was initially supportive of basing this aircraft in Madison. I believe Senator Baldwin and other elected officials also supported it.

But then I read the draft EIS and it is clear to me that the increased noise impacts of this aircraft are incompatible with operation over residential areas.

The draft EIS demonstrates that Dane County Regional Airport FAILS TO MEET the Environmental Constraints specified in the draft EIS: "The alternative location should be able to . . . have an absence or limited amount of noise-sensitive development located in areas near the airport/installation that are exposed to Day-Night Average Sound Levels DNL at and above 65 decibels dB and considered by the Federal Aviation Administration FAA and DoD as incompatible land uses USAF 199914 CFR Part 150."

The Dane County Regional Airport DOES NOT HAVE "an absence or limited amount of noise-sensitive development located in areas near the airport/installation that are exposed to Day-Night Average Sound Levels DNL at and above 65 decibels dB."

In fact, as the draft EIS notes, SIGNIFICANT numbers of households and people will be affected by the increased noise levels, including 132 households and 292 persons located in the 70-75DNL contour "where housing is incompatible" with the current FAA noise standards.

In addition, the noise impacts will disproportionately affect minority populations and children.

Supporters of this proposal have argued that basing the fighter in Madison will have a positive impact on the local economy. I wish someone would put a price tag on the negative effects this aircraft will cause to hundreds of households, children, and minorities.

I'm not opposed to our nation's military modernizing its weapons systems I'm just saying the basing of this aircraft over residential areas is not appropriate. The Air Force should send these planes to an air base out west somewhere.

Recipient:  
All Alders

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**From:** Bob Carpenter <carpenterr@firstweber.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2019 7:42 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Support the F-35

I want you to seriously consider supporting the F-35 project! It is important and vital to the economy of our City.  
Thank you  
Bob carpenter

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** bjkastorff@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2019 9:08 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** 115 th fighter wing

Dear North and Eastside Alder persons I'm writing to you because I won't be able to attend any of the meetings this week. I have lived by the airport for 58 years and I never had a problem with the air traffic whether it be commercial or military. It's my opinion that we should support the 115th Fighter wing and the F35's coming in to Truax. The small select group who are opposing this haven't done their research on the impact the air base has on the the city of Madison as well as the state of Wisconsin. For the most part, people who have bought and moved into the area knowing that the airport is here don't want to realize that the airport is going to grow as the city does also. As far as the noise level goes it won't be constant. There are commercial planes that are very loud at times now and you haven't heard any complaints about them, yet when the military is involved these small groups start popping up and start complaining. I'm asking you to join me and support the 115th and the F35's coming to Madison.

Sincerely Robert Kastorff

**From:** kathleen Hanson <kathie171@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 09, 2019 8:00 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 jets

General Information

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Email: kathie171@sbcglobal.net  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Please support locating these planes here at Truax Field.

Recipient:

All Alders





**From:** Chuck Litweiler <litweilerc@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 1:21 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** B-35's at Truax

General Information

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State: WI  
ZIP: 53704  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email: litweilerc@hotmail.com  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Somehow people in the affected noise area must be able to hear the noise of the planes-either by such a method as a flyover or by simulation. Then they should be able to know approximately how often the planes would be routinely flying.

Given this information there must be some way to poll people living in the noise impacted area. Ideally they should have the final say on whether the planes are stationed here.

Both in terms of 'representative' government and the fact that the flight path affects only parts of 3 or 4 Aldermanic Districts that can't be done. Still there should at least be a highly publicized opportunity for residents in the affected areas to register a Yes or No opinion on one day at definite locations-for example, Lakeview School, Neighborhood Center near Truax, Hawthorne School. Given such an effort I think that Alders should abide by the outcome expressed.

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Kaitlin Gibbs <kaitcgibbs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 9:23 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Support of the F-35S

Good Morning,

I wanted to reach out to voice my support for the 115th Fighter Wing to have the F-35S here in Madison.

I am an Air Force wife, my husband is currently in Afghanistan doing his part to keep our country safe. I know him and his fellow Airmen would love your support in housing the F-35S here in Madison so they can continue to do their part in protecting our country.

Thank you for your time and consideration in reading this.

Sincerely,  
Kait Gibbs

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**From:** Dale Poweleit <uafitter@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 11:38 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** 115th fighter wing

I ask you to support the 115th fighter wing for the safety of our nation and the economic impact that it has for the state of Wisconsin and Dane county. Thank you

Sincerely

Dale Poweleit



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**From:** Randi Matthews <ramatt117@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 3:08 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F 35

I am in favor of bringing the planes to Truax and I AM a Northside resident. Randi Matthews



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**From:** Dean Hackl <dean@union464.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 8:21 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I am in support of the F-35 jets, it is a great oppertunity for Madison to be the chosen city for Military to expand. This is the next generation of militarty defence to protect our great country. I understand there will be obsticals to work through but I believe it's a very possitive oppertunity for the city, state and country.

Thank You  
Dean Hackl

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All Alders

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**From:** Charles Schuett <charlie@union464.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 9:17 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35A Community Meeting

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I support the 115th Fighter Wing Project. I feel it would be an asset to the community and an honor to support our military. We have an opportunity to help our country and show our patriotism in supporting this project.

Recipient:  
All Alders



**From:** frank nechvatal <fdsilver321@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 12:43 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** 115th Fighter Wing

I support the 115th Fighter Wing staying in Madison WI. It is a comfort knowing we have a great fighter unit close in case we would ever be attacked by foreign powers. A little noise discomfort once in a while is nothing to worry about knowing we have defenders here to fight for us. This unit in Madison also provides a job for a lot of people. My name is Frank Nechvatal from Waunakee WI.

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**From:** John Newman <newman@ncf.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 3:11 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** NO F35s

General Information

Name: John Newman  
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ZIP: 53704  
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Work Phone:  
Email: newman@ncf.edu  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

See the utive Summary of the EIS pp. 28-29: "disproportionate impact on minority children." And more than a hundred low-income homes uninhabitable? In Madison, Wisconsin? Why aren't you fighting against this?!

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Jessica Pernsteiner <jess.pernsteiner@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 3:21 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Opposing F-35 fighter jets at Truax

General Information

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City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53704  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email: jess.pernsteiner@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

My name is Jess Pernsteiner and I am opposed to the placement of F-35s at Truax Air National Guard Base for multiple reasons. I live in the Atwood neighborhood, 3.7 miles from the Dane County Regional Airport, in the flight path, and I have already noticed a negative impact by the increased noise caused by the presence of the F-16s at my home. I strongly believe the potential 64 new jobs is not worth the air, noise and water pollution, along with the economic cost, and negative impact to the "60,000 people living within three miles of the airport who will receive no remediation funds" and forcing at least 292 people to move from their homes.

For 4 years, I worked as a Community Resource Specialist at Access Community Health Centers on East Washington Avenue, and I know many families that I assisted with live in the neighborhoods that will be most impacted. As noted in a Wisconsin State Journal article from August 3, "minorities, children and lower-income communities on Madison's East Side would be disproportionately affected." This is an instance of environmental racism, by forcing out communities who are already struggling within a City that is becoming increasingly unaffordable for further coverage on this, see Isthmus cover story published Aug. 22-28. The EIS states that "132 households and 292 persons would be located in the 70-75 dB DNL noise contour where housing is incompatible," however there has not been a solution provided to help those directly affected.

Of the 5 potential locations being considered, Alabama and Wisconsin are the "only ones that showed the potential to disproportionately impact marginalized populations" as stated in the Wisconsin State Journal article. Additionally, Madison has at least 292 people who will be forced to relocate—the highest of all 5 potential locations. Table ES-1 on page ES-9 of the EIS indicates that the bases in Alabama and Wisconsin have the least amount of proposed new jobs—27 and 64 respectively, while hosting F-35s in any of the other 3 locations in Idaho, Florida, or Michigan would lead to a proposed personnel change of 85 positions.

From an environmental perspective, allowing F-35s in Madison will also lead to significant air and water pollution. An article in the Wisconsin State Journal from March 5 of this year stated that Well 15, located on East Washington Avenue, was being shut down as a precaution, due to contamination by PFAs. NBC15 recently reported on August 27 that "officials from Madison Water Utility said Well 15 will remain out of service for the foreseeable future." PFAs have not only been found in the drinking water of Well 15, but according to NBC15, "Madison Water Utility said the compounds are extremely difficult to break down and are now showing up in dust, air, groundwater, lakes, rivers and streams." This contamination will only continue to spread—and it is unacceptable that the City of Madison and State of Wisconsin are considering F-35s, when the water contamination caused by the Truax Air National Guard Base has yet to be cleaned up.

Furthermore, it is important to note the potential negative impact on Madison's economic growth. As the City continues

to grow and expand, an increasing number of young people are looking to purchase homes on the north and east sides, in the areas most impacted. Kim Hart, author of weekly newsletter, Axios Cities, states in a recent online article from Sept. 4 that "college towns are emerging as economic powerhouses, thanks to their outsized share of the young, highly educated workers who are in such high demand. And as more students stay put after graduation, college towns' potential is only growing." However, with the F-35s in Madison, it will drastically decrease the appeal to young families to purchase homes and stay in the community, which could adversely impact the future development of the City's economy.

Recipient:  
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** anewalker@homelandgarden.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 1:59 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** No F35A-s in Madison  
**Attachments:** Mail message body.PM\$

Every now and again, I will read an advice column about someone's office mate and some habit they have that is creating a challenge..... A challenge which makes it hard for them to be able to concentrate and do their job.

For every person like myself, who works outside in the flight path, our office mate becomes the F-35. I would like to consider jobs in this equation, including my own. I need to be able to concentrate, be safe, and be able to do my job.

**I do not support the F-35 in Madison, WI**

Respectfully,

Anne Walker

I am very concerned about the proposal to have F-35 A's in Madison. I live in the neighborhood and have noisy Air Force planes flying overhead. Sometimes I need to go inside because the noise is too loud for me to concentrate. I can hear the jets when they fly at night and I have double pane windows that are closed. However, the environmental impact statement prepared by the Air Force only includes a small area closer to the airport. So they believe there is no impact on us.

I received a copy of the Executive Summary of the August, 2019 report which states that 1,019 households will be impacted. I had difficulty reading the report on the disc provided by the Air Force. I was shocked that 2,215 people will be impacted in the small area around the airport.. There will be classroom speech interference, probability of awakening during the night and a potential for hearing loss. For all of that, we will get less than 70 jobs.

The Air Force has not been a responsible neighbor. This proposal would make things worse.

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Mary Ann

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Posted by: Mary Ann McBride <maryann.mcbride@gmail.com>

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Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Diana Kirkpatrick <dianakirkpatrick@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 2:50 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** 115th Fighter Wing's pursuit of the F-35 Mission

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Please vote register my vote in support of the 115th Fighter Wing's pursuit of the F-35 Mission

Recipient:

All Alders



**From:** Bernice Armould <barmould@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 2:53 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** OPPOSE F-35s

I am writing to ask you to raise your voice in opposition to the F-35s being placed at Traux Field. I live near the airport and I am deeply concerned about the negative impacts so well laid out by the EIS, and our City Staff.

Both innumerate substantial environmental detriments in the form of noise, water pollution, flood management, and quality of life losses. The relatively meager 64 jobs that are proposed must be contrasted with the number of jobs potentially lost if employees and business owners elect to leave due to lousy working conditions. As noted in the reports, people of color, and the poor will be disproportionately effected, not to mention the many children, whose threshold for damage is much lower.

As a public servant I hope you will listen to the constituents who are most directly effected by the extreme negative impacts F-35s will create, and speak out on their behalf.

Bernice Armould  
622 North St.  
Madison, WI  
53704

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Bethany Radloff <radloff.bethany@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 3:54 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F - 35 Fighter Jets in Madison Resolution

I'm writing to ask that you support the proposed resolution being discussed regarding the placement of the F-35 fighter jets in Madison at next weeks common council meeting.

Thank you,  
Bethany Radloff  
28 N. Baldwin St.  
Madison, WI 53703

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Bethany Radloff

**From:** Heather Butler <heathervbutler@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 6:42 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Oppose F-35 warplanes in Madison

General Information

Name: Heather Butler  
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ZIP: 53704  
Phone: 608-301-0306  
Work Phone:  
Email: heathervbutler@earthlink.net  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

I am writing because I adamantly oppose the placement of F-35 fighter jets in Madison. Please oppose this any way you can, given the harm it will cause our city from the destruction of our air, water, and wildlife, and the grievous harm it will cause to children who live and attend school and daycare in the areas that will be made uninhabitable on the north and east sides. I already feel physical pain when the F-16s fly directly over my house. I cannot imagine the unendurable noise of F-35s, which are much louder, flying over with much greater frequency. This placement would disproportionately impact the most vulnerable citizens in our city, who are low income, disabled, and minorities, who must live near the airport due to having no other affordable choices in this city. The excessive noise will harm wildlife in Cherokee Marsh and Governor Nelson State Park. The jet exhaust will add excessive pollution to our air and to our lakes and groundwater. The construction will add to the flood risk in our city by adding acres of impermeable surface to an already marshy area of our city. Many businesses will have to close in the impacted area. Has anyone at all given any thought to the harm that will be done to our local businesses and city tax base, while only adding 62 permanent jobs for the horrible price the residents of this city will endure with pain, suffering, and loss of quality of life? Please fight this destruction of my neighborhood, and all the surrounding neighborhoods in Madison. Bringing these warplanes to such a densely populated area is a horrible mistake. Thank you for your attention.

Heather Butler

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** John Roussos <bettah@tds.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 8:21 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** No F-35's in Madison

Dear Alders:

I live on Lakeview hill, 38 years. Airport noise has always been a nuisance. The military aircraft shook my windows and woke my children up.

F-35's would be worse and more frequent. The F-15's and helicopters are bad enough, we don't need more noise and less safety.

There has been more than one military aircraft crash at Truax Field.

I hope that you will consider this issue as if you lived here. And please, stop dumping on the East side. We are, tired of it.

Thank you for your consideration,

John Roussos

**From:** Raechel Pundsack <raechelschmaechel@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 8:39 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 Program Opposition

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I would like to respectfully register my opposition to the F-35s being bedded at Truax, and encourage you to do the same. Many of us are concerned about the negative effects this program will have on health, the environment, and property on the North and Eastside, particularly to children and low income communities. My Alder, Rebecca Kemble, has co-authored a resolution against this program. Please join us. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Raechel Pundsack



**From:** Jennifer Parker <jennifer.womensvoices@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 9:51 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Safe Skies

I live and own property in an area near the airport and am very concerned about how we will be affected by the increased noise and pollution if the new jets are based in Madison. I object to this happening in a city. It affects our quality of life as well as our property values. The promised jobs are not worth damaging Madison's reputation as a wonderful place to live. This is a chance for our values to be placed above financial gain, which I believe actually adds to our lives more than fear-based decisions.

I urge you to oppose the F-35's at Truax.

Jennifer Parker  
1425 Wheeler Ct. #B  
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Leslee Nelson <lesleeathome@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 9:56 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** I support Madison City Council resolution opposing F-35s Truax File # 57364v2.

I support Madison City Council resolution opposing F-35s Truax File # 57364v2.

F35s do not belong within a residential area.

Damaging levels of decibels and chemical contaminants in the land and water will make more of Madison unlivable than the narrow area marked on the EIS map.

PFAS will contaminate Madison's drinking water.

<https://madison.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4133444&GUID=A0312E0F-DC9F-418E-AFB1-5538B3B90D6A&Options=ID%7CText%7C&Search=57364>

Leslee Nelson

614 Welch Ave

Madison WI 53704



**From:** punky@punkybakes.com  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 11:05 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 jets

I am opposed to housing the F-35s at Truax. I live on the northside in Cherokee Park just outside the supposed zone of noise. That's a joke because they basically said they would use the same flight patterns as the current F-16s and they do go over my neighborhood and they are extremely loud. So loud that conversation has to be stopped. An airport in the middle of a city is no place for military jets. That's what Volk field is for. I am in support of your resolution to NOT have the F-35s here. Did anyone bring up the revenue from property taxes that the city will lose when ALL our property values on the northside go down. And the lost revenue from taking out 199 acres that could be used for housing or commercial development? 64 jobs or disrupting 1000+ people's lives. Not even close. How many "Best Place to Live" awards do you think Madison will win with proposed noise pollution like this?

Thank you for your support in this issue.

Punky Egan  
1321 Burning Wood Way  
Madison

**From:** Jason Tish <jason.tish@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 11:21 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35A beddown at Truax

I live near Goodman Community Center, under the flight path of aircraft taking off from and landing at DCRA. I am opposed to the proposed beddown of Air Force F-35A aircraft at Truax Field, and I am asking that Alders and Mayor Rhodes-Conway support the resolution authored by Alders Foster and Kemble regarding the proposal.

I recognize that the city has no role in the decision-making process, but I'd still rather the city, collectively, suggest to the Air Force and Congressional representatives, that the trade-off we have to make for the gains in jobs and income for DCRA is too high, and would be paid by some of Madison's most vulnerable neighborhoods, and some of the city's most stable and growing neighborhoods.

Noise: East-side neighborhoods already deal with inordinate levels of noise from railroad crossings and aircraft (military and commercial). The EIS relating to the proposal manages to make it unclear how much louder F-35A aircraft would be than the current F-16 aircraft that stop conversations and rattle our windows. The reliance of the EIS on "average daily noise levels" strikes me as an obfuscation - a way of minimizing the actual spike in decibels when the planes fly, which is the real issue.

Mitigation: The idea that noise would be mitigated by providing funding for sound-insulating homes in our neighborhoods is absurd. The noise of aircraft is most disruptive when people are outside having conversations with neighbors, using parks, enjoying backyards. When we are in our homes, the noise is relatively ignorable. Installing noise insulation inside our homes is like handing us an umbrella in our living rooms for the rain.

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- Jason Tish  
Lafollette Ave., Madison

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 11:31 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** 9/11/19 Letter - F35A - Support  
**Attachments:** 091119 F35A Letter\_Support\_Oak Park Seniors.pdf

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Please find attached a letter received in the Council office from The Oak Park Seniors, in support of the F35A aircraft.

**Lisa Veldran, Legislative Services & Council Office Manager**

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Dear Council Members!

I Live in Oak Park trailer Park.

I have talked to a Lot of my Neighbors and we would like to see the 735A aircraft at Truax Field.

We feel if Mr Trump remains our President, We are going to need all the protection we can get.

We have lived here so Long that the Noise does Not bother us.

Sincerely  
The Oak Park Seniors



**From:** Rebecca Leidner <rw11951@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 11:52 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F35's at Truax

General Information

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State: WI  
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Phone: 608-320-4144  
Work Phone:  
Email: rw11951@yahoo.com  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I strongly support the Council resolution asking the ANG to reconsider siting the F35's at Truax. I oppose their presence on environmental, political, economic, and social-justice grounds. These aircraft are deafeningly loud, dangerous, unproven, and likely toxic to the environment. They should not be flying over our homes nor the homes of the wildlife in Cherokee Marsh. Jobs and patriotism do not tip the scales sufficiently in favor of their presence. There was a time when military aircraft were smaller, quieter, and compatible with a smaller Madison. That time is now past. Please vote in favor of this resolution.

Thank you.

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Jennie Capellaro <jcapellaro@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 2:11 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** oppose the F-35s

Dear Alders,

I hope you'll support the upcoming resolution opposing the F-35s in Madison. Our neighborhood suffers enough from the current F-16 noise pollution. The EIS findings that the noise levels from F-35s will be louder and flights more frequent should make this a clear choice. The net gain of 64 jobs while rendering hundreds of east side households "uninhabitable" is bad enough. But the low income neighborhoods such as mine and schools and children this will affect should not only get you to vote yes on the resolution but to do whatever else you can do as individuals and as an elected body to stop this. Please send a message to the decision makers that this is not appropriate for our community. Please vote for the resolution and oppose the F-35s.

Thank you,

Jennie Capellaro  
521 Christianson Ave  
Madison, WI 53714



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Bethke, Karl J <KBethke@madisoncollege.edu>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 3:01 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Support for F-35s

I wish to register my support for the stationing of the F-35 jets at Truax airport, and my opposition to the proposed resolution to come before the city council on Tuesday evening.

Karl Bethke  
Mandrake Rd, Madison

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Rita Baldacchino <bilena\_baldacchino@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 3:04 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35

I support the city council resolution which opposes siting the F-35 in Madison.

Thank YOU.

Rita Cairns  
1622 Lake View Avenue  
Madison, WI 53704

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Kathy R <wwomen86@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 4:43 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Please Support City Council Resolution to Oppose F-35s

I live very close to Truax in the Cherokee Condominiums and oppose locating the F-35s in Madison. Locating the 35s at Truax will reduce our property value, harm our health and effect our quality of life.

Kathy Rutlin  
1438 Wheeler Ct.  
Madison, WI 53704

**From:** Lorna Knapp and Brian Moushey <kato705@charter.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 5:27 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** No F35's at Truax - ENOUGH!

General Information

Name: Lorna Knapp and Brian Moushey  
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State: WI  
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Phone: 608-577-6701  
Work Phone:  
Email: kato705@charter.net  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

As long time Northside residents and home owners, we oppose the noise of not only the F35's, but also the F16's. The noise level in this quiet area has increased with the F16's at all times of day. The F35's AND F16's should be based in a nonresidential, sparsely populated area. Thank you.

Recipient:  
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Thistle <thistle@riseup.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 6:47 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Support the resolution against the F-35s in Madison

Dear Alders,

I am writing to ask you to support the City of Madison resolution you find here <https://madison.legistar.com/ViewReport.ashx?M=R&N=Text&GID=205&ID=3662840&GUID=7F0B6260-72A5-46A3-823A-19BD9AF83024&Title=Legislation+Text> .

We need fewer war planes and bases, not more. We need less noise in our skies, not more.

I work with children and am always so disturbed by the military jets flying over the playground that are loud and intrusive. I don't know what to say to them when they look to the sky and cover their ears. Children should not grow up with this kind of noise being normalized. We are not at war and should not force our kids to get used to the sounds of war.

Please support the resolution.

Thank you,  
Thistle Pettersen  
City of Madison resident

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"I...I sang," she whispered, "if that matters," and Karou felt her heart pulled to pieces. This Misbegotten warrior, fiercest of them all, had crouched in an icy stream bed to sing a chimera soul into her canteen, because she hadn't known what else to do.

The singing wouldn't have mattered, but she wasn't going to tell Liraz that. If Ziri's soul was in that canteen, Karou would happily learn whatever song Liraz had sung and make it part of her resurrection ritual forever, just so that the angel would never feel that she'd been foolish."

— Laini Taylor, *Dreams of Gods & Monsters*

[www.ThistlePettersen.com](http://www.ThistlePettersen.com)

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Lynette Jandl <lynettejandl@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 7:08 PM  
**To:** All Alders; Mayor; board@madison.k12.wi.us; county\_board\_recipients@countyofdane.com  
**Subject:** Thank you for the resolution opposing the F15s in Madison

I feel so concerned and really believe the Northside would suffer significantly from the F15 jets if they got located here.

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**Lynette**

Lynette Jandl

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**From:** Barbara Wolfe <drloboe@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 7:10 PM  
**To:** All Alders

To Whom it May Concern: As a resident of the northeast side I am adamantly opposed to the addition of F35's at Truax. The noise of the current F16's is deafening in my neighborhood on almost a daily basis. The F35's will be much worse. A city is no place for these aircraft in my opinion. Sixty plus jobs is not worth the daily disruption of life for so many. I strongly support the City Council Resolution to Oppose the F-35's that is being presented on Tuesday. Thank you for listening. Dr. Barbara Wolfe

**From:** Roberta and Donald Thornton <dani166@charter.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 7:29 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35's - we support

General Information

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State: WI  
ZIP: 53704  
Phone: 608-249-1853  
Work Phone:  
Email: dani166@charter.net  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

My husband and I attended the F-35 informational session at the Alliant Energy Center on 9/12. We attended to show our support for the F-35's coming to Madison. In our eyes, it looked a bit like there were more supporting it than those in opposition but it was fairly even. We are contacting the Council because we support bringing the F-35's to the 115th Fighter Wing here.

Recipient:  
All Alders



**From:** Joan A Bell-Kaul <joan.bellkaul@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 8:28 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Supporting Rebecca Kemble's Opposition to the Siting of F-35 in Madison

9/13/19

Dear Alders,

I am writing to register my support, and that of many of my northside neighbors, of Alder Rebecca Kemble's opposition of the siting of F-35's in our city of Madison.

We oppose this plan because of many reasons: additional water pollution (PFA's, fuel spills, etc., construction materials), additional noise pollution over our homes and our valued Cherokee Marsh Conservancy, and additional air pollution from the exhaust fumes produced when these planes are flown. The pollution factors far outweigh the negligible economic gains that this siting would produce.

Thank you for hearing our concerns regarding this proposed siting project in our city.

Respectfully,

Joan Bell-Kaul, Ph.D., UW-Madison  
Residence: 4225 Esch Lane  
Madison, WI 53704

**From:** charles Clarke <ClarkeFamily3102@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 8:30 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35

General Information

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Work Phone:  
Email: ClarkeFamily3102@yahoo.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Please turn down the proposal that discourages the Air Force from stationing F-35's @ the Dane County Airport. Any sound issues are small in comparison to the value they bring, both economically and security wise. Madison is a town that has seen growth in the area Epic for example as a result of having an airport that is growing in destinations. The Air Force's contributions to the Airport are a major factor in this grow. I don't want to see another major contributor to the community OM for example leave our city.

Charles

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Petzold, Sarah  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 12:34 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F 35's

Good day, I am writing to support your resolution AGAINST the F35's at Truax Field. I oppose the F 35's for the following reasons in no particular order:

1. The noise. The F-19's are already way too loud and have been flown with increasing regularity this past year. The F 35's are even louder by most reports, The noise profoundly affects my north side neighborhood and will disproportionately affect low income citizens in the area.
2. The danger in terms of making Dane County a target of terrorism and the possibility of a military aircraft crash in our county. There were at least 12 military aircraft crashes in the US in 2018 and several already this year. Although the pilots can often safely eject, that leaves a crashing aircraft falling from the sky and in highly populated Dane County, this would be disastrous.
3. The additional pollution. We have no quantification or fix on the problem of PFAS in our drinking water. Without clear testing to assure that Truax is not continuing to contaminate our groundwater and even the ground itself for eons to come, it is unsafe environmentally to enhance the use of Truax. And we do not know what other pollutants will be detected in the area in the future
4. There is apparently negligible monetary impact from not having the F 35's here. Even if there were, why would we want these over-priced and untested war machines in our city?

Thank you for your consideration,

Respectfully,

Sara Petzold  
1513 Longview ST  
Madison WI

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Larry Mandt <lmandt@tds.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 1:58 PM  
**To:** Stouder, Heather  
**Cc:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Please vote YES on #56981

To the Plan Commission:

We urge you to vote YES on #56981 (amending Madison General Ordinances to require conditional use approval) to correct the oversight in the CI zoning code.

Larry Mandt  
Catya Mandt

2254 Monroe Street

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Laura Chern <laurchern@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 3:51 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Madison City Council resolution #57364 opposing F-35s at Truax

I support the resolution opposing F-35 jets at Truax.

Sincerely,  
Laura Chern  
2814 Oakridge Ave  
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Ron Schutz <schutrc@me.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 4:02 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F35

i oppose this military buildup for war profiteering and nuclear smokescreeng  
best wishes from Ron

**From:** Satiya Buell <satiyabuell@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 5:01 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Basing F-35s at Truax

Hello, my name is Satiya Buell and I am writing to you in support of Madison City Council resolution #57364 which opposes basing the F-35s at Truax. I am a retired MMSD elementary school teacher who currently works with preschoolers with Autism. I feel I must speak up for the children since they will not be contacting you themselves.

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** DJH Photo <djhphoto@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 5:58 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** No F-35 Fighter Jets in Madison

**Dear City Council members,**

**I am writing you to beg you to support the current resolution before you about the F-35 basing at Truax Air Base. Please vote in favor of the resolution and against the F-35s. Our community is at extreme risk and loosing that many homes will be disastrous. On Tuesday... please support the people of this city and vote for the resolution.**

**Sincerely,**

**DJ Huagen  
111 W Wilson St #204  
Madison, WI 53703**



**From:** Norm Littlejohn <norm.littlejohn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 7:09 PM  
**To:** Mayor; All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 resolution

Hello, Mayor Rhodes-Conway and all Alders -- I'm writing to urge you to pass and sign the anti-F-35 resolution. There are many reasons we should not have these jets flying over our city; the fact that they're *extremely* loud, louder than the military and proponents are admitting, is enough by itself.

Thanks!

Norm Littlejohn  
2209 Cypress Way #16, Madison  
Alder District 14

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Cherie Richter <cherissar@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 7:24 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Opposition to beddown of F35 jets in Madison

General Information

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ZIP: 53704  
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Work Phone:  
Email: cherissar@yahoo.com  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I would like to register my strong opposition to the beddown of the F35 jets in Madison. While I recognize the important of military services, I think there are detrimental effects of this proposal that far outweigh the benefits that have been presented. The increased noise pollution that will come with the F35 program will create an inhospitable and incompatible environment for current residents and future development/growth on the north side. As a resident of the city and the north side of town, this is of personal concern to me as I don't believe the program plan adequately addresses the breadth and width of resulting hardship and loss. I know this decision is not in your hands, but whatever you can do to address this concern would be greatly appreciated

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Darci Stark-Prohaska <darciprohaska@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 7:27 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 Opposition

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Supporters of stationing the jets in Madison point out the “substantial benefit to the local economy” from the jobs that go with having the planes here. One of the rumors repeatedly heard is that not being selected as an F-35 site jeopardizes the future of the current Truax F-16 program. This is false, jobs will not be lost.

The economic impact of the F-35s would be marginal, bringing just 64 long-term jobs.

So my question is how is it a 'substantial benefit' if:

A. Even the people holding these jobs will not want to reside in the surrounding neighborhoods due to the negative environmental impacts.

B. Hardships will be created for the people who already reside here. As they will be displaced from their now affordable housing which is in proximity to their lives / family / transportation.

There are areas “just outside” the noise contour areas that will be affected but they would not qualify for any sound proofing measures. And they are low income concentrated areas. Examples MATC housing, Dryden apartments and the corner of Northport and Packers Ave.

I own a house 1.7 miles from the airport terminal and just a few blocks 0.2 miles from the 65 decibels line. It seems likely that noise will not just END at the line which has been drawn down Packers Avenue. It will bleed out incrementally.

There are neighborhoods including my own, that are literally just on the other side of the contour line and they will still be impacted. A lot has changed since the last census 10 years ago. If anything they should expand the zone to help these concentrated residential areas.

As is, many people will get no funded noise mitigation measures. Yet their lives will be greatly impacted.

When we support having the new jets in Madison because of “all the money and jobs they bring”, what we're really saying is, that's more important than the people's homes and quality of life for those that ALREADY live here. Please care about the people that will lose their homes and the areas of the city that will deteriorate because not even businesses will want to develop here.

The northside is in the planning stages for new developments, affordable housing units and building up the loss of the

Oscar Mayer plant.

I believe that Truax is not the best choice for the F-35s, the adverse affects to our city will damage a chance for grows in prosperity.

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Catherine Couture <mcsee@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 8:48 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35s at Truax

General Information

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State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone: 608-445-8668  
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Email: mcsee@aol.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Dear Common Council member,

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

I live in the Hawthorne neighborhood and while you may not be my alder person, your constituents will be effected by this decision. For example, I was car shopping today and realized that I should not make a large purchase right now due to the potential loss of my home's value and potential inability to sell my home or continue to reside in it. This salesperson will not get a commission and his income will be affected.

While I am a direct example of collateral damage due to economic friendly fire, this is an issue that will impact all of us.

I attended the meeting on Thursday night to share my views on the draft of the Environmental Impact Study. It is a very large and technically written document and I read the short version and "cheat sheet" provided at the event. I looked at the displays and spoke with the officials present. I have some observations:

1. I was concerned that all of that information is only available in English, as are the meeting announcements. Our local school sends out all of their announcements in English, Spanish, and Hmong. There is an accessibility issue that is limiting feedback on this issue.
2. Most of the people I saw Thursday night speaking in support of the F-35s being placed at Truax were retired white men and few if any were living in the two neighborhoods most effected by this decision. This raises significant concern for me about who is making the decision.
3. There was a noticeable lack of people of color attending the meeting. One of my neighbors declined to attend the meeting as he is Hispanic and felt it would not be safe for him. This raises concerns about representation and the ability to provide feedback. The process seems sanitized, designed to provide the feedback that is desired and not what is real.

Regarding the EIS, my home is not currently in a decibel zone of any concern, yet when 2 F-16s flew over today as I was outside pulling weeds, I had to stop and cover my ears as first one sound quickly became unbearable, sustained and then continued as the second jet took off and flew over my home. They were not flying any lower than normal. my current average decibel rating, per the presentation Thursday night is less than 65 and I'm not even near a 65 decibel line. This current level of noise makes speech impossible, I cannot hear my own voice or phone conversations. Again, this is while living in an area where noise levels are not currently considered a concern!

If the F-35s are sited at Truax, my home will then be within a line that denotes an average of 65 - 85 decibels of noise. I've been told that when they fly over you can feel the noise in your body.

I keep my windows shut and I use AC in the summer to avoid the noise of the F-16s. I'm not sure how to accommodate the F-35s.

Obviously, I am concerned about the increased noise level and the projected increased number of flights. I've seen research cited that shows health risks due to the effects of this level of noise on children. Both Hawthorne and Lakeside elementary schools as well as the daycares in the area and students walking to Madison College, waiting for busses, playing outside, etc will be exposed to this health risk. We get little to no warning before the noise is upon us.

Finally, the economic benefit that will come to the Madison area with this change. Will the 60-70 jobs and temporary boom in construction be worth the possible costs of relocating two elementary schools, modifying public buildings including bus shelters in the area and dealing with complaints about hearing loss and health effects be worth that?

Ok, one last thing. I'm scared. My house was my retirement plan. I'm a social worker, I'm 57 and I'm tired. I don't know if I can start over again. Nobody gave me this house or helped me make it a home. I did it on my own. I did have some help with the garden - an organic garden that feeds 3- 4 families every year. The feds have no plan to help me recoup the loss of home value if they site here, nor does the state. The city of Madison, which will benefit the most financially from this decision should bear the burden of figuring how to make this right for the 132 homes and over 2000 people that will be negatively impacted by this decision should the F-35s be sited here.

If you have read this far, thank you and I appreciate your dedication to your community.

I hope to hear from you, preferable via email.

Respectfully,  
Cathy Couture

Recipient:  
All Alders

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**From:** Fred-Lynda Paasch <paasch1114@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 9:20 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35s

Dear Madison Alders,

I urge you to vote for the resolution #57364 opposing F-35s at Truax.

Our wonderful city will not benefit from the noise and other hazards from these jets. The populations most affected are low income and minority.

There is more work that needs to EIS. It should be revised to list the five sites in order of environmental impact and to include people within the 60 and 55dB DNL. The EIS should be updated to identify the specific chemicals released by these jets and compare these emissions with the limitations and standards under NR 445.

These are just a few of the reasons why we need to work hard to oppose Truax Field as a location for these new jets.

Thank you for your support,

Lynda Paasch

**From:** Ken Sabroff <thebopdrones@att.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 11:24 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Madison City Council resolution #57364

I'm writing to register my opposition to the possibility of allowing F-35 jets to be stationed at Truax Field. As residents of the north side, my family is directly impacted by the extreme noise and disruption caused by the jets. Considering how much the current F-16s shake our entire house, rattle the windows to the point I think they'll break, I shudder to think of the increased noise level the F-35s will bring. And the increase in number of flights is also alarming. Please consider the adverse impact these jets will have on the quality of life on the North-side and take a public stand against the F-35s. Thank you, Eileen Sabroff



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**From:** Ken Sabroff <thebopdrones@att.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 11:28 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Madison City Council resolution #57364

I wish to strongly support council resolution #57364, opposing F-35s at Truax Field in Madison. I've been a (mostly north side) resident all of my life. I'm 70 years old. If I may suggest: F-35 Fighter Jet/Bombers, and Madison, are a terrible fit!

We don't need these things here.

Please support this resolution.

Thank You Very Much,

Kenneth Sabroff

North Sherman Avenue

Madison, Wisconsin



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**From:** Bob Entwistle <baentwistle@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 12:32 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35s

I oppose the location of the new planes to Madison.

I feel that if the number of flights stayed the same, the new noise level might be tolerable. But with a significant increase in number of flights, we should be pushing to have some less urbanized area take these planes.

Thanks!  
Bob Entwistle  
2709 Center Avenue  
Madison

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**From:** Donna Nest <danest2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 6:21 AM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F35s in Madison

We urge you to consider opposing the proposed placement of F35's at Truax Field.

The area affected is one of the last pockets of affordable housing in Madison. After 40 years in our home, we value our neighbors, schools and businesses.

Admitting homes in the affected area will be uninhabitable will force homeowners in the surrounding areas to move, as well, due to loss of quality of life, uncertainty regarding future plans for the area, and loss of vitality in the community.

Most of the affected homeowners will be unable to find affordable housing at comparable prices, especially since values will fall precipitously, forcing us to relocate in suburban or even outlying areas.

This will endanger already at-risk schools, decrease the Madison tax base, increase exurban sprawl, increase traffic and drive times, and cause blight in a formerly thriving area.

Please help us fight the military plan for the sake of a few dollars and a limited number of jobs.

Donna Nest  
513 Stang Street  
608-244-2460  
danest2@gmail.com  
Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:29 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F 35s

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**From:** WILLIAM HEIBL <wfh04@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 15:32  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F 35s

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Hi Alder Foster: I wanted to thank you for your position on the F35 issue. I live at 4208 Drexel Avenue and while that's not next to the airport we are impacted in our yard when the F16s are overhead. It's not bad in the house but outside it borders on being painful. I'm a vet and I support the military but I wish there was a way to mitigate the noise. I've been told by a neighbor that 1200 jobs will be lost if the F35s do not come here. Is that true? Thanks for your efforts and I look forward to hearing from you.

Bill Heibl

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:30 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F35

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**From:** Brian Ramsey <bepwramsz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 9:17  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F35

General Information  
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State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email: bepwramsz@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Sir,  
We needs the F35 jets, Bring them to Madison. Protect our country. I lived on the Pensacola NAS.  
The noise is only temporary, no more than the Commercial Jet that just flew over my house.  
I also understand the concern, of those living closer.  
Thanks

Brian Ramsey

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:30 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35's

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**From:** Jonathon Resheske <jresheske@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 8:00  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35's

General Information

Name: Jonathon Resheske  
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State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email: jresheske@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:  
Alder Foster,

As a member of your district that is within the impact area of the additional F-35's they want to bring to Madison, I would like to express my concern with you. We already have enough noise from the commercial airlines that use the airport as well as the fighter jets that are already stationed here. There are times they fly over and we can feel/hear the house and windows rattle. I can't imagine the kids at the elementary school in our neighborhood trying to learn with all this additional racket throughout the day. Will my home value drop from this? Most likely. Will the Air Force compensate me for this loss? Most likely not. I do know that there may be some federal funding for noise insulation but I'm not going to get my hopes up for qualifying. And even so, I can totally see this not being sufficient to do it properly. I would just like to know that you are doing all that you can for fighting for us.

Thank you.

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:30 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: [Alder Foster, District 15] F-35A Update - 9/12/19

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**From:** Dan Young <day6553@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 13, 2019 7:02  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Fw: [Alder Foster, District 15] F-35A Update - 9/12/19

THANK YOU! I let my alder, Syed, know that I am glad he is supporting the resolution.

Daniel Young  
3322 Quincy Ave

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**From:** noreply@cityofmadison.com <noreply@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 2:00 PM  
**To:** day6553@hotmail.com <day6553@hotmail.com>  
**Subject:** [Alder Foster, District 15] F-35A Update - 9/12/19



Last night approximately 300 residents attended the community meeting held at Sherman MS and expressed overwhelming opposition to the proposal to bring a new squadron of F-35A jets to Truax Field in Madison. You can read more about the details of that proposal and the expected impact to north ...

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:31 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F35s

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**From:** moon pep <moonpep@webtv.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 14:03  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F35s

Alderman Foster,

I would like to express my dismay that F35s with their increased noise and activity virtually making established neighborhoods uninhabitable is being considered. The soundproofing program sounds sketchy at best and totally ignores mobile homes, which will be more severely affected. I live about a mile from the "black line" and expect this will have a negative impact on my quality of life or even the length of my life as having these nuclear armed jets makes Madison a target.

These planes should be in an area that will not cause harm to established neighborhoods and if that is not possible, EVERYONE negatively affected should be compensated in such a way that they can move to equitable homes or apartments in a livable area.

Please use your influence to stop this horrible plan.

Thanks,  
Peppi Elder  
12 Dempsey Road #109  
Madison WI 53714

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:31 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35 fighter jet issues

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**From:** Jim <jim-carlson@excite.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 13:44  
**To:** Abbas, Syed; Foster, Grant; jim-carlson@excite.com  
**Subject:** F-35 fighter jet issues

Greetings Syed and Grant,

I knew I would not make it back to Madison in time to attend the Wednesday evening meeting at the school regarding the F-34 US Air Force fighter jet issues, but did see the story on the local newscast at ten last night which featured yourself.

I wish that I could attend and the one tonight but we got work up in Portage right now that prevents me from attending, but at least I got tv news and hopefully two well-informed alders to answer citizen email!!!

But I have yet to hear.....if some have such worries about the sounds of the jets, why not (if it has not been done already) just have a test run of them.

Send an alert especially to all whose most biggest concern is the sound of jets, all meet on the grounds of the Woodman's East parking lot or at the vacant Oscar Mayer plant, and then have two or four just do test runs as how they would normally do their duties so that they and others can hear how it will be....with one at a time or two at a time. Makes sense to me.....has this not been done before.....set a side a day and time for this and do it?

One or both of you new alders can answer, and sorry this all came to you both as new alders.

Jim Carlson

PS--The newscast told of how this would bring jobs and better economy to the area.

I can understand a few more new jobs, but how many-----but to make it better for the economy? I don't see how that would be, other than the typical two or ten newer employees shopping and doing normal daily business in the city....all that just for fighter jets in the city? Where do the local city Chamber of Commerce get the idea this all will help the Madison economy?? How so and how much? And where?



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:32 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: From Gregg Shimanski

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**From:** Gregg Shimanski <gregg@madrent.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 13:36  
**To:** Abbas, Syed; Foster, Grant; Rummel, Marsha  
**Cc:** Gregg Shimanski  
**Subject:** From Gregg Shimanski

Syed, Marsha and Grant:

I was unable to make the meeting last night, but would like to weigh in on the F-35 discussion.

I own approximately 90 multi family rental units in the flight path of the airport (Commercial Avenue/Aberg Avenue) that are covered in the EIS produced by the National Guard.

While I am a strong supporter of expanded opportunity for our citizens and expanded commerce, I am opposed to this expansion.

I have thought long and hard about this, and my conclusion after reading a great deal on this topic, is that it will diminish substantially the quality of life for those who are affected by this noise.

Thank you  
gs

**Gregg Shimanski**  
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- Thomas Jefferson



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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:32 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35A Operation Beddown

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**From:** Kim Knorr <knorrk4@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 11:54  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35A Operation Beddown

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Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email: knorrk4@sbcglobal.net  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I am a city of Madison homeowner concerned about the detrimental impact F-35A Operation Beddown will have on our community. The Federal report I just read specifically cites that a major part of our minority population will be affected in thriving, established neighborhoods. This is unacceptable for a city who already lacks affordable housing. The economic advantages of Operation Beddown are significantly lacking against the environmental distress the F-35 jets will have on a significant number of households, employees, and businesses that are in the impact zone.

I DO NOT WANT the F-35A Operation Beddown to be part of Truax field.

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:32 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: No F-35 in Madison

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**From:** Chris Chris <greynikocody@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 10:09  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** No F-35 in Madison

Hi Grant,

I live in district 15. My life will be disrupted by the F-35 jets.

Many living in affordable housing will have to move.

I don't want jets that can carry nuclear weapons in Madison.

The economic impact says that most of the 115th live in Wisconsin, not Dane County. The economic impact is spread out across the state. That means it doesn't matter where in the state they house the F-35s doesn't it? I can't see how Madison or Dane County's rather large economies would be impacted very much.

Please help us keep the F-35s out of Madison.

Thank you,  
Chris Taylor



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:32 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Fighter jets

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**From:** Seta Rusinak <Sdrusina@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 22:38  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Fighter jets

General Information

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State: WI  
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Work Phone:  
Email: Sdrusina@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Hi Mr. Foster,

I am contacting you since I read an article tonight about your opposition to the F35 jets being stationed in Madison. This issue is very concerning to me as I live and work near the airport. As a psychologist and mother I know there will be negative impacts of extreme noise pollution for the entire Madison area, for both my clients and my child. I'm also concerned about my property values. The current jets are already too loud. I've written representatives, the mayor, county people, etc etc and commented on the official f35 public comment board, but I am feeling hopeless about how else to get involved. I have a young child and likely cannot attend the Thursday meeting.

Please let me know if there are groups I can connect with or how else I could help fight against this plan which I believe is SO bad for this city.

Thank you!!

Seta

Recipient:  
Grant Foster



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:32 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35s at Truax

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**From:** Peter Anderson <peter.anderson@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 21:25  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35s at Truax

General Information

Name: Peter Anderson  
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City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53716  
Phone: 608-334-1210  
Work Phone:  
Email: peter.anderson@wisc.edu  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Grant,

I support basing the F-35s at Truax. The F-16s are obsolete and are going to be replaced regardless. There's no reason Madison can't step up and shoulder the burden as well as anyone. Comments that they should be based in a rural area only show disregard for rural people. Besides, it's not that much of a burden. I'm right under the flight path of the F-16s, and it's not that often or that loud. It's just not a big deal. Thanks, Pete

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:32 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35s

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**From:** Rita Benesh <ritastarus@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 18:41  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35s

General Information

Name: Rita Benesh  
Address: 121 Leon St  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email: ritastarus@yahoo.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Hi Grant,

Thank you for being concerned and active about the f-35s. I think they are a bad idea for any populated area. I don't trust the reasoning behind what a great economic impact it would have on Madison, when the price would be quality of life here. Also they could benefit other parts of the country where the economy isn't so great. I would have liked to attend the meeting at Sherman Middle School this evening, but when I got there, I was having a hard time finding a place to park and was concerned about the possibility of a rainstorm if I parked too far away. Please keep us posted on the Eastmorland facebook page about what action we should take to oppose the F-35s. You may contact me.

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:33 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Comments on the F-35 jets

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**From:** Wendy Hecht <wendylovesgreyhounds@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 16:20  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Comments on the F-35 jets

Hi Grant—

My husband, Garland Zibrowski, and I live in your district at 822 Gannon Ave. We are not able to attend the two meetings this week where there are public comment opportunities to speak out about allowing the F-35 jets to be housed at Truax. We are in the “uninhabitable” zone. This is concerning to us for the following reasons:

1. I run a social service business out of our home and with the current F-16 jet traffic, I often have to ask phone callers to wait until the multiple jets have passed over due to the deafening noise of the F-16’s. I cannot imagine how much louder the F-35 jets will sound and how that will affect my ability to work.
2. In the course of my work, I have people in my home office at times when the F-16 jets fly over. We have to stop our meeting until the noise has passed.
3. We have dogs that are freaked out by the current jet noise when we are out walking or in the yard. I have had to stop and cover my ears when outside and the F-16’s are flying over.
4. We are concerned that our address is now labelled in the “uninhabitable” zone of the city. How will this affect our property values? If we choose to sell our property, how will this label affect the interest in and salability of our home?

To us, this seems like a public health issue, loud noise is a factor that can cause anxiety, discomfort, hearing loss, etc, etc. We are not in favor of having even louder airplanes fly over our property.

Thank you for allowing us this input, Grant.

Wendy Hecht  
Garland Zibrowski  
822 Gannon Ave.  
Madison, WI 53714

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:33 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Hoping to attend tonight's F-35 mtg. to voice my opposition; I've commented to Air Nat'l Guard

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**From:** Margaret McEntire <memcentire@uwalumni.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 11:47  
**To:** Kemble, Rebecca; Foster, Grant; Rummel, Marsha; Abbas, Syed  
**Cc:** Margaret McEntire  
**Subject:** Hoping to attend tonight's F-35 mtg. to voice my opposition; I've commented to Air Nat'l Guard

Greetings, hard-working Alders.

I hope to be able to attend tonight's listening session at Sherman Middle School, I have voiced my opposition to this F-35 initiative via the Air National Guard's online comment form, I hope to attend tomorrow's meeting at the Alliant Center to voice my opposition in person but *if* I'm unable to join you all this evening or attend tomorrow evening's meeting, please note that losing already-scarce moderate and/or low income housing because of these F-35 airplanes is a deal breaker: no. Absolutely not.

Yes, I've read that this F-35 initiative promises "dozens of jobs." Still, no, absolutely not. As all four of you well know, our urban area -- unlike some jobs-starved parts of Wisconsin -- has enough of a healthy economy to afford Madison the luxury of declining "the honor and the privilege" of accepting this Foxconn-sounding initiative. (And yes, we can argue all day long about whether or not our local economy offers sufficient family-supporting jobs.)

I live near enough to the airport that I already hear plenty of excessive noise whenever Air National Guard pilots zip around the skies in their fighter jets. I don't welcome more.

Best regards,

Margaret McEntire / 570 Troy Dr., Madison 53704

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:33 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35A

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**From:** Hattie Chamberlin <hattie@thorps.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 10:41  
**To:** Abbas, Syed; Foster, Grant; Rummel, Marsha  
**Subject:** F-35A

Hello Alder folk,

I'm writing to state that I oppose the addition of the F-35A jets to Truax field. As a Northside resident for the past several years, I am saddened to hear about the dramatic negative effect these planes would have on our communities well being, property values, and environment. I believe Madison will not be able to continue to grow as it plans to and thrive as a community if it neglects the north side. Where I live will be directly impacted, and I will have to consider moving even farther outside of Madison for affordable housing prices and an acceptable standard of living if this goes through. Please protect our community.

Kind Regards,  
Hattie Chamberlin

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:34 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Can't make F-35 meeting tonight

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**From:** Amy Wencel <[wencel@panaesthetic.org](mailto:wencel@panaesthetic.org)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 7:59  
**To:** Foster, Grant; Abbas, Syed; Rummel, Marsha  
**Subject:** Can't make F-35 meeting tonight

Thank you for holding tonight's meeting. I would like to add my opposition to this proposal, but have a work conflict tonight. I will see you at the AEC tomorrow.

Amy Wencel  
1710 Rutledge

Sent from my microscomputer shoe phone

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:34 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35A

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**From:** Dale Mckee <packchamps67@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 5:52  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35A

Alder Foster,

I'm unable to attend the meeting this evening. I just have one suggestion to bring up. I retired from the WIANG and live directly under the current F16 Southeast take off route. I'm quite used to the noise. However, I understand the F35 is much louder. Would flight take offs to the North toward more rural areas adversely affect missions?

Thank you for your consideration. I may be contacted at 608 235 9335 or email [packchamps67@gmail.com](mailto:packchamps67@gmail.com).

Dale A. McKee



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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:35 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35s at Truax airport - neighborhood impact  
**Attachments:** FAQ v 2a.pdf

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**From:** MadTown Moebius <rjmille@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 10:06  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35s at Truax airport - neighborhood impact

Hi Grant,

I am concerned about the addition of F35 jets and their potential nuclear weapons to our airport. I am already disturbed by the increased noise of the recently added jets. My working at home (recording music and other audio) has been impacted as Burke Heights is on the flight path. I am alarmed at the environmental and safety implications and opposed to the whole idea. I plan to attend the public hearing on Sept 12th and hope to see you there, too.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter,

Richard Miller  
713 Redland Drive, Madison

***Stand Up & Be Counted !***  
**We urge you to come to the Sept 12 Public Hearing at 5:00**

*Supporters of the F-35s have gotten a lot of media coverage, and it's really important for us to show that there is significant opposition (and there is)!*

## **Public Hearing on Environmental Impact Statement**

**September 12, 5:00-8:00 pm**

Alliant Energy Center Exhibition Hall

**!!! Please plan on coming to offer your own testimony or support those who do.**

**5:00 Press Conference headlined by Rep Chris Taylor**

featuring a doctor from Physicians for Social Responsibility, a clinical psychologist who specializes in autism, a



veteran teacher at Hawthorne Elementary, and Madison residents affected by the F-35s.

5:00 - 8:00 pm Air Force open house, Presentation and public comments.

**\*We'll have signs for everyone to identify us as opposed to the F-35s.**

### PLEASE SHARE THIS WIDELY!

If people need rides, please leave a message for Jackson at 405-973-4117.

Also important: **Submit your comments on the Environmental Impact Statement by September 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**Online:** <http://www.angf35eis.com/Comments.aspx>(Note there is a character limit for each online comment)

**Mail:** Mr. Ramon Ortiz, NGB/A4AM, 3501 Fetchet Avenue, Joint Base Andrews MD 20762-5157 (you can use the attached form)

**Email:** [usaf.jbanafw.ngb-a4.mbx.a4a-nepa-comments@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.jbanafw.ngb-a4.mbx.a4a-nepa-comments@mail.mil)

Helpful information can be found at <https://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org>

PLEASE SEND US A COPY OF YOUR COMMENTS: <https://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org/eiscomments/>

**Thank you all!**

Vicki Berenson for  
**Safe Skies Clean Water Coalition**  
[www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org](http://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org)

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From: Janet Parker <[janetparker8@gmail.com](mailto:janetparker8@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sat, Sep 7, 2019 at 12:16 AM  
Subject: Please contact public officials soon re F-35s!  
To: Walt Novash <[walt.novash@gmail.com](mailto:walt.novash@gmail.com)>

Hello friend in Madison -

Have you contacted your elected officials about F-35s yet? This is a crucial time. I believe we can prevent the siting of these planes here but we need to show that there is major public opposition. We need to convince our elected officials to speak out too. Please consider taking a few minutes to write emails. All the details are below from Vicki (scroll down).

This coming week, on Weds and Thurs, there are public meetings where we can make our voices heard. I hope you to see you at them. The meeting details for Thurs at the Alliant Energy Center are posted here. <https://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org/>

Weds meeting location and time TBA, so stay tuned please.

Madison Quakers, my faith community, has just released a public statement of opposition. You can read it here. <https://www.fgcquaker.org/cloud/madison-friends-meeting/minutes/minute-opposing-f-35-fighter-jets-truax-air-national-guard>

Please forward this and ask your friends to contact their elected officials and come to the meetings.

Thank you and happy September to you,  
Janet

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From: Vicki Berenson <[vicki.berenson@gmail.com](mailto:vicki.berenson@gmail.com)>

Date: Wed, Sep 4, 2019 at 7:18 PM

Subject: [No F35s-ANNOUNCEMENTS] IMPORTANT! Contact public officials re F-35s!

To: Safe Skies Announcements <[safeskies-announce@googlegroups.com](mailto:safeskies-announce@googlegroups.com)>

**Some of our public officials don't know there is opposition to the F-35's.** They have heard from few of their constituents, and because of this some don't even have it on their radar. Even if you know they oppose the F-35's, they need to hear from you.

#### What you can do:

- **Contact** local representatives on City Council, Dane County Board, State Senate and Assembly, and US Senate and Legislature – especially Tammy Baldwin, Mark Pocan, Joe Parisi, and Satya Rhodes-Conway.
- **Show up Sept 12** at our 5:00 press conference just before the Public Hearing on the Environmental Impact Statement. We will provide matching signs to hold and stickers or buttons to wear, to make it clear that we have a sizeable opposition.

\*Please contact your alder and county supervisor NOW.

**It can be simple**, just that you oppose having the F-35's stationed at Truax due to environmental and safety concerns. Ask them if they'll be attending the Sept 12th public comment session at Alliant Energy Center that the Air National Guard is holding to express their constituents' reservations about the F-35 project.

If you want to provide more reasons go ahead. You can find lots of information attached and at [safeskiescleanwaterwi.org](http://safeskiescleanwaterwi.org)

- **Madison Alders** - see the attached list, or find your alder on this map: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/Council/councilMembers/map.cfm>
- **Dane County Supervisors:** Get contact information here: <https://board.countyofdane.com/Supervisors> OR Enter your address to find your supervisor: <https://dcimapapps.countyofdane.com/supervisors/>
- **Rep. Mark Pocan:** <https://pocan.house.gov/contact>
- **Sen. Tammy Baldwin:** <https://www.baldwin.senate.gov/feedback>
- **Dane County Exec Joe Parisi:** [parisi@countyofdane.com](mailto:parisi@countyofdane.com)
- **Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway:** <https://www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/contact>

If you are interested in setting up a meeting with your alder or County supervisor, please contact Tom Boswell at [tomboswell2002@yahoo.com](mailto:tomboswell2002@yahoo.com) or 608/718-7312.



Please forward to others!

Thank you, you make a difference.

Vicki

Vicki Berenson  
for Safe Skies Clean Water Wisconsin  
[www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org](http://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org)

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Join the discussion at:

<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/no-f-35s-in-madison>

[www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org](http://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org)[www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org](http://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org)

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:35 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F35A aircraft

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**From:** Jocelyn Vertz <jrvertz322@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 9:20  
**To:** Abbas, Syed  
**Cc:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F35A aircraft

To all this may concern,

I hope this email finds the right people as I am unable to make the in house meetings do to work. Also the last time I expressed my concern about this aircraft via a news stations comment section, I was severely bullied and harrassed by the public that is all for this aircraft.

I expected living near the airport and truax field would be a little on the noisy side but for a great deal on rent (especially for madison) I couldn't pass it up, and I was pregnant so we were looking for a bigger and more family friendly apartment which we found in the Ridgeway area. The airplanes can be loud but nothing intimidating. The jets on the other hand were intense. We did not realize how close to the truax field we truly were once we moved and everytime they passed by, our apartment would shake. But it didn't really bother me or my husband too much especially as we were so busy working out of the home getting ready for our new addition. Once my son turned 2 (in january of 2019) he started developing sensitive hearing and the jets that once didn't bother us too much was now upsetting my son and it also seemed that the jets were flying more often and lower than expected. Also trying to get a kid to sleep when they are doing night time flying is a struggle, we just wait until its over or shut the windows though sometimes its not always so easy(same with nap time in afternoon). And its always met with my son covering his ears and yelling. We have tried many times to talk him through it or help ease it but he just hates them and I have come to as well. I have nothing but the utmost respect for our military and I know my son will get over it eventually. If I could move I would, but this is one of the few areas we can afford and I am about to have hip surgery in a few months so my options are limited. I write to you to express my concerns about bringing in new aircraft that are even louder and could be more detrimental to people like my son who have a hard time with the loud jets already. I ask that you please take my story into consideration and hopefully find a different field outside of Madison to select for the use of the F35A aircraft.

Thank you for your time and allowing me to be heard.

Jocelyn Plaza

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:35 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Opposition to F35A jets

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**From:** Pamela Stangl <pamela.stangl@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 9:33  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Opposition to F35A jets

Dear Alder Foster,

I'd like to express my opinion on the proposed beddown of the F-35A jets at Truax Field. As I write this the current jets are practicing over my house. The noise from the current jets are disturbing and disruptive. I can't imagine the further disruption to my quality of life if louder jets are introduced to the neighborhood with the promise of even more flights than are currently taking place.

I strongly object to the proposed beddown. I am deeply concerned about the noise pollution, the effects on the health of people and animals in the area, the level of the noise, and the effects on the value of my and my neighborhood's properties which in turn would decrease the standard of living in our district. These jets should locate and practice in a non-residential area. I see nothing but negative impacts to our community from this proposal and I strongly oppose it.

I am unable to attend the upcoming meetings but wish to express my concerns. Please forward my comments to any appropriate bodies.

Thank you for taking the time to listen and for your opposition to the beddown.

Pamela Stangl  
3813 Margaret St  
Madison, WI 53714

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:35 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Truax F-35's

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**From:** Laura Levenhagen <lauralevenhagen@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 9, 2019 21:33  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Truax F-35's

General Information

Name: Laura Levenhagen  
Address: 104 Davidson St., #3  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53716  
Phone: 262-719-7779  
Work Phone:  
Email: lauralevenhagen@yahoo.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Hello Alder Foster

I am writing to express my opposition to having F-35's stationed at Truax Air National Guard Base. I am opposed to nuclear weapons, dangerous noise levels, increased air pollution, water contamination, and the impact this change will have on the low income neighborhoods and schools in the area....and everyone in the surrounding area. Will you be attending the September 12th meeting at the Alliant Energy Center to voice concerns for our District?

Thank you,  
Laura Levenhagen

Recipient:  
Grant Foster



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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:36 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35s

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**From:** Larissa Stoller <reporting@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 9, 2019 17:33  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35s

General Information

Name: Larissa Stoller  
Address: 705 Pinchot ave  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53716  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email:  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Hello,

I live on the east of Madison. As you are aware the final decision is currently being made in regards to stationing F-35s here at Truex Field. I'm writing in strong opposition to this plan. We already have to deal with the noise from the F16s, when they fly over our house we have to stop speaking because it's so loud. The F-35s will only make this worse.

Stationing war planes in a densely populated residential area is just a terrible idea. Though we love living in Madison and certainly enjoy the convenience of having such a nice airport close by we have noticed a significant increase in airplane noise. It truly has a negative effect on the city's livability and will eventually have a negative effect on the East Side's housing market.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Larissa Stoller  
Lake Edge Neighborhood

Sent from my iPhone

Recipient:  
Grant Foster



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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:36 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35A Aircraft

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**From:** Dave Nielsen <davenielsentattoo@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 9, 2019 17:13  
**To:** Abbas, Syed; Foster, Grant; Rummel, Marsha  
**Subject:** F-35A Aircraft

Dear Alders,

As much as I would like to attend the meeting regarding the F-35A aircraft on Thursday, September 12th, I will not be able to due to having to work.

I live directly under the flight path of those aircraft. The F-15s that we already have are extremely loud and disruptive to my life. I do not like them what-so-ever. They are so loud that they sometimes shake the walls in my house. As a home owner, I am very concerned about the F-35As. I am opposed to their coming here in every way. From what I understand, they will be significantly louder than the jets we already have. I am also concerned about so many people being displaced from their homes in the Truax area. These jets will also be a major source of polution and the Starweather Creek runs right through Truax and feeds into lake Monona. The creek and lake are poluted enough as it is. Imagine the impact the F-35s will have on that. I am also deeply concerned that the noise from the F-35s is going to lower my property value and impact my ability to sell my home in the future if I so choose. Nobody wants to live under the flight path of those jets. Had I realized the F-15s fly over this house I likely would not have bought it to begin with.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email. I do hope you take everything I have said here into consideration.

Sincerely,

Dave Nielsen

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:36 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35 Fighter Jets

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**From:** Anna Ironside <annaironside@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 9, 2019 16:20  
**To:** Abbas, Syed; Foster, Grant; Rummel, Marsha  
**Subject:** F-35 Fighter Jets

Hello all,

I will not be available to attend either of the meetings in this coming week regarding the possibility of F-35 Fighter Jets coming to Truax Field, and I wanted to put forth my opinion on the matter.

I am STRONGLY against these aircraft in Truax Field. As a long-time resident of the Hawthorne neighborhood (14 years and counting), with two children who attend Hawthorne School in said neighborhood, I feel it will be an incredibly loud intrusion to all the neighborhoods surrounding Truax Field. The F-16 aircraft that currently take off and land from the airport are already deafeningly loud. The sound would routinely rattle my hardwood front door any time they passed overhead (in groups of 2 or 4, of course, as they never traveled singly). It used to wake my kids from their naps. I can only imagine the more powerful F-35s will be even louder and more of a nuisance.

I'm also confident nobody in charge of this project would do anything to remediate the sound problem (soundproofing of homes or businesses), and I can't imagine my property value would do anything but go down if this is allowed to happen.

Thanks for reading.

Anna Ironside  
Resident of the Hawthorne Neighborhood

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:36 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F35s: Against

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**From:** Jennifer Smith <jenovate@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 9, 2019 11:59  
**To:** Abbas, Syed; Foster, Grant; Tierney, Michael  
**Subject:** F35s: Against

I can't make the public meetings but would like to register my comments AGAINST the proposal to house the new F35A fighter jets here in Madison (at Truax). I am deeply concerned about the anticipated displacement of over 100 low income housing units, and the impact on hundreds of other homes and apartments in terms of massively increase and often unlivable noise levels and the associated lowered value of those properties - not to mention the environmental impacts, and the safety issues still at play with the new jets. It's also a chance for the community and city leaders to do the right thing when it comes to an issue that would disproportionately impact low income residents (and people of color in particular).

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Jennifer Smith  
[Jenovate@gmail.com](mailto:jenovate@gmail.com)  
4906 Violet Ln, Madison, WI 53714

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:37 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Open letter to Air National Guard  
**Attachments:** ANG PFAS Letter.docx

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**From:** Leslee Nelson <lesleeathome@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 8, 2019 14:39  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Fwd: Open letter to Air National Guard

Dear Alder Foster,  
Here is the letter I am sending about the F35s.  
Many people are concerned about the issue of noise,  
I feel the toxins are much more damaging to all the citizens of Madison.

Thank you for your support for protecting all the people in Madison.

Leslee Nelson



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:37 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: opposition to F-35's at Truax

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**From:** Lissa Mclaughlin <mclaughlimage@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 4, 2019 20:57  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** opposition to F-35's at Truax

General Information

Name: Lissa Mclaughlin  
Address: 3453 Hargrove St  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone: 608-246-0106  
Work Phone:  
Email: mclaughlimage@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Dear Grant,

I am entirely opposed to F-35 jets being based at Truax Field.

Operations supporting this aircraft will only accelerate the degradation of the natural environment, including the water table, proximate to Truax. Its noisy take-offs and landings will disturb local wildlife, including migratory birds, let alone the thousands of residents in its proposed flight path. Current National Guard practice runs are already unnerving and offensive to locals like me.

Madison's security needs are met by present NG capabilities. The F-35 is ridiculously over-scaled for Truax and will drain tax dollars we need desperately for education, addiction treatment, justice equity and other pressing local needs.

As my alder, I hope you will reject installation of this jet at Truax.

Sincerely,

Lissa McLaughlin

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:38 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: opposition to F-35's at Truax

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**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
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**From:** Margaret Bowman <bowmama2@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2019 8:32  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35s

General Information

Name: Margaret Bowman  
Address: 802 N Fair Oaks  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone: 608-456-8442  
Work Phone:  
Email: bowmama2@aol.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

I'm very worried about the F-35 proposal. My neighborhood will be severely affected and frankly, I'll consider my home to be unlivable. My husband telecommutes for his work and already he has to mute his phone when the trio of F-16s do their fly-overs. I can't imagine twice the noise and more often! Hawthorne school is 1 block away - those kids' learning will be very frequently interrupted. As you know, our neighborhood is one of the few affordable places to live in Madison and we have been here for 28 years. The addition of these jets will severely affect our lives. I'm planning on contacting Tammy Baldwin who I know is for this plan and am going to go to the meeting in Sept. I hope that you are working for nixing this proposal.

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:38 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35 Impact

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**From:** Randolph Hill <randemoz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2019 13:27  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35 Impact

General Information

Name: Randolph Hill  
Address: 137 Lansing St  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email: randemoz@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

In your update, you said you "shared concern" with 3 other public officials who apparently have voiced them publicly. I appreciate that, but why weren't you among them? This is 'huge' for so many reasons. Why in 'progressive' Madison are so few leaders taking a public stand? Should this not also be deliberated and a position taken at least a resolution by the entire council? Appreciate your response.

Rand Hill

Recipient:  
Grant Foster



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:39 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Message from a homeowner who could be displaced or economically devastated by the F-35 jets

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**From:** Kat Ruth-Leigh <kruthleigh@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 14:48  
**To:** Rhodes-Conway, Satya V.; Rummel, Marsha; SUSAN PASTOR; Bottari, Mary; Bidar, Shiva; Baldeh, Samba; Foster, Grant; Abbas, Syed; johnroschr@hotmail.com; brickljan@gmail.com; McAuliffe, Daniel  
**Subject:** Re: Message from a homeowner who could be displaced or economically devastated by the F-35 jets

Hello all -

Including Dan McAuliffe who is listed on the news release about the equitable development report ([here](#)). I notice that the report doesn't use the words "airport" or "jet" even one time, and the goal of the report is to examine factors leading to displacement. I would like to know from your office why you didn't include airport displacement in the report, and whether your subsequent committee about the airport displacement will be addressing this egregious oversight. I look forward to attending as many of the listed meetings as I can to seek further information and make comments about this issue.

Additionally, I am working on greater raising awareness of this issue overall with both local and national media. I would certainly prefer to speak to someone from the Mayor's office, development office, or zoning office to get additional information for myself about my property before I speak to media representatives.

Please be in touch as soon as you can.

All best,

Kat  
608-215-2384

On Thu, Aug 15, 2019 at 10:46 AM Kat Ruth-Leigh <[kruthleigh@gmail.com](mailto:kruthleigh@gmail.com)> wrote:  
Dear Mayor Rhodes-Conway, Alders, and others:

Sue Pastor gave me your contact information after she and I connected at the Airport Committee meeting last night, where we both gave public comments in opposition to the possible addition of F-35 fighter jets at Truax.

I am a homeowner on the east side of Madison, and my house is one of the 1019 that falls in the possible new noise contour that will consistently have noise of 65 decibels or greater. Research I've been doing since the weekend of the EIS and FAA noise regulations has shown me that all 1019 homes cited by the report will be deemed unsuitable for residential use per FAA noise regulations, with the 292 in a 70+ decibel range considered formally uninhabitable.

This means that **all the residents of all the homes cited in the report should be considered at risk of displacement, economic devastation, or experiencing long term negative health effects.** There is a range of what that means and for whom, from those forced to leave because their home is uninhabitable, or those, like me, who could very likely end up with a home value that is a liability instead of any kind of asset. Living in a home that is deemed unsuitable for residential use that I cannot sell or recover the cost of will financially devastate me and my family - I have a 15 month old child - for our whole lives. The worst case scenario for these 2000 residents - as it appears right now - is dire: If we don't lose our homes outright, we might lose our hearing, we might lose our assets, we might be forced to stomach a large financial loss to leave a neighborhood and community we love.

Below, I've included an email I sent to the zoning office with questions about the possible impact to my property value. In that message you can find links to EIS and FAA documents (page numbers referenced) that can give you additional information about what this whole issue means. Their office has told me that the zoning administrator is looking into this based on my message.

Please let me know when you have formed the committee at the Mayor's office to look into this issue overall, and if there is any way to connect with them about my continuing research into this issue. Aside from that, I will continue to seek further clarification from various departments in the City of Madison and Dane County about your plans to remediate the damages that the air force's decision will cause but that the air force will not ultimately - legally - be responsible for.

I look forward to hearing from you on this issue,

Kat  
[kruthleigh@gmail.com](mailto:kruthleigh@gmail.com)  
608-215-2384

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Hello -

I'm a homeowner on the east side of Madison at 3015 Commercial Ave. Recently the air force released its draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) about the possible expansion of Truax airfield, which includes the addition of F-35 fighter jets. These jets are much louder than the military jets that are currently used at Truax.

The summary of impact on the surrounding neighborhoods from the report is this: " Based on context and intensity, the change in the noise environment associated with the Proposed Action would be considered significant in the area surrounding the airfield. Changes in DNL results in an additional 1,320 acres within the 65 dB noise contour where **compatible land use recommendations are triggered.** As a result, the number of households located within the 65 dB DNL contour would increase by 1,019 and the number of people exposed would increase by 2,215. One hundred thirty-two of the households and 292 persons would be located in the 70-75 DNL contour where housing is incompatible absent an exception. "(From the [EIS executive summary](#), page ES-16).



You can see detailed maps of the areas of Madison that will be affected in the Madison portion of the longer document, which [is here](#). The visual maps of the new noise contours are on pages 36 and 37. For comparison, the old (current) noise contour maps are on page 29 of that document. The detailed Madison section overall begins on page 5 of that document.

My house is one of the 1019 that falls in the noise contour where compatible land use recommendations are triggered. Per [this document](#) that explains land use recommendations and FAA regulations about airports and noise, my house and property will be considered incompatible with residential use. See page 52 of that linked document for a grid, and pages 8-9 of that document for a summary of remedial or mitigation measures that are often taken by airports when there is a compatible land use issue. This document makes it seem like Dane county and the airport itself are somehow involved in this and have responsibility too - per the FAA, it's the airport's responsibility to mitigate or remediate noise, and Dane county owns the airport.

(Here is a [local news article](#) that is only moderately helpful, but might give you the bigger picture context of this whole thing).

Why I'm writing to you personally:

I'm trying to figure out what all of this might possibly mean for my property value, ability to sell my house in the future (seems unlikely given that no one should realistically be living there if the jets come to town), whether it will change how the land/area that my house is on is zoned. Can you please contact me by email or phone at 608-215-2384 to discuss, once you have additional information?

On a very slightly less personal note, there are also those 292 properties that will be deemed formally uninhabitable due to noise. Your office might want to look into that as well.

I have spoken to the airport commission about my concerns, have left messages for Dane county executive Parisi and the Mayor, have begun calling other homeowners and landlords in my neighborhood. I do hope you will be able to help me figure out very specifically what this means for my property and what my next steps should be to prepare for my house becoming insuitable for residential use.

Kat

[kruthleigh@gmail.com](mailto:kruthleigh@gmail.com)

608-215-2384

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:39 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Priorities

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**From:** Sharyl Kato <sjkatopurpl@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 18, 2019 10:30  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Priorities

General Information

Name: Sharyl Kato  
Address: 206 E WINNEQUAH RD  
City: MADISON  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53716-1668  
Phone: 608-213-1749  
Work Phone:  
Email: sjkatopurpl@hotmail.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

YES strong support for ACE affordable housing apartments proposal ABSOLUTELY NO to F 35 jets YES to preserve Monona Golf course YES to delay liquor license for Visions until violations resolved YES to Early Childhood Mental Health Trauma services YES to support quality affordable accessible childcare to be a given when working on economic growth especially for families of color YES to support more services for trauma impacted Spanish speaking children & families

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:39 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35s

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**From:** AnnMarie Liesch <Am.m.liesch@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 18, 2019 13:47  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35s

General Information

Name: AnnMarie Liesch  
Address: 918 N Fair Oaks Ave  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone: 262-758-2677  
Work Phone:  
Email: Am.m.liesch@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Hi Alder Foster,

Thank you for continuing to speak out about the proposed F-35 expansion at Truax. Like many other residents here, I have grave concerns about the F-35s. Top among these are noise pollution, PFAS contamination, overall safety of our city, and loss of property value. These are all major impacts for this area's lower-income residents, and unless the military will be providing soundproofing funds and actually following through with a plan to clean up their PFAS, I can only imagine that this section of town will stagnate as residents either move away or refuse to move here. These F-35s will make Madison a less safe and pleasant place to live.

I strongly believe that the EIS is downplaying the negative sound affects we would see in the affected areas, and the fact that the Air National Guard has done almost nothing to address their PFAS contamination so far gives me very little optimism that our groundwater will be safe.

I'm also guessing that, should these planes be brought to Truax, Madison residents would not be provided any sort soundproofing funding from the military nor compensation for loss of property value? Money may not be the absolute top concern on this issue I would personally say noise and water contamination are, but many of us in this

less-affluent area cannot afford to pay for soundproofing or have our property values plummet.

I look forward to reading your response, as well as other Madison leaders', to the EIS.

Thank you,  
AnnMarie Liesch

Recipient:  
Grant Foster



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:39 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35 Jets at Truax

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**From:** Philosophy Walker <philosophyw@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 16, 2019 13:53  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 Jets at Truax

General Information

Name: Philosophy Walker  
Address: 6925 Chester Dr., Unit F  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53719  
Phone: 330-503-3606  
Work Phone: 608-777-9646  
Email: philosophyw@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

My name is Philosophy Walker, and I live on the West Side of Madison. Recently I became aware of the new noise contour that is expected to result on the East Side due to the flying of F-35 jets out of Truax Air Force Base.

While my home is not within the area expected to be a "contour where housing is incompatible absent an exception" EIS utive summary, pg ES-16, I'm still deeply concerned about the effects of these jets on our local community and alarmed that the city and state governments don't seem to be mobilizing against these effects. Thousands of residents either losing their homes or losing whatever value their homes possess would have a widely negative economic impact on Madison, regardless of where citizens live. And it's rare for noise pollution to stay nicely bounded within one small area as I mentioned previously, I live on the West Side and I have frequently found the current jets disruptive to my family. The roughly 60 jobs expected to result from these new jets are certainly not worth the disruption to the East Side communities and the economic and environmental impact the jets will have on the city at large.

I haven't yet seen a statement from your office on this issue, but I'd love to know more about what steps citizens can take to prevent these jets from being stationed at Truax. Please let me know if and how I can be involved in any such efforts. Thanks for your time!

Best,  
Philosophy Walker

Recipient:  
All Alders



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:39 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Truax

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**From:** Full Moon Adventures  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2019 18:16  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Truax

General Information

Name: Steve Hauge  
Address: 3813 Sycamore Ave  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53714  
Phone: 608-513-1007  
Work Phone:  
Email: CHAMP150@AOL.COM  
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I live on the east side near the airport and the military planes have been flying over our house forever. Same house since 1955. I have no problem whatsoever with the F-35 planes and am looking forward to seeing them flying here soon.

It is not necessary to contact me. But if questions feel free.

Thank-you

Recipient:  
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:40 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: F-35 Fighters

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**From:** Gregory Ullstrom <madtowngreg1@att.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 4, 2019 10:48  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** F-35 Fighters

General Information

Name: Gregory Ullstrom  
Address: 933 Rockefeller Lane  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53704-7860  
Phone: 608-520-3817  
Work Phone:  
Email: madtowngreg1@att.net  
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

I read yesterday in the WSJ, about the status of receiving the F-35 fighter planes to Madison. To paraphrase the article: The addition of these plans will have no economic impact on our economy and the effect on pollution is insignificant. I have a problem with the definition of pollution. Noise pollution is real. I recently moved to this side of Madison, in part, to get further away from the flight path of the current National Guard planes. Despite this, the noise level is still unacceptable during their training times. The addition of more of these planes will further affect the quality of life of all the people of Madison. I can see no benefit to an addition of these planes. I urge you to lobby against this harmful addition of fighter planes.

Recipient:  
Grant Foster

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Foster, Grant  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 7:50 AM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fw: Resolution on F-35A reconsideration

Grant Foster  
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**From:** Jonathan Bloy <jonathan.bloy@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 14, 2019 11:24  
**To:** Foster, Grant  
**Subject:** Resolution on F-35A reconsideration

Alder Foster,

As one of your constituents, I want to thank you for submitting and supporting the resolution that the Air National Guard reconsider Truax Field as their preferred location to base the new F-35A fighter jets.

I too am deeply concerned about about the environmental impacts locating those jets would have on our area, especially the impact it would have on lower income areas on the north side. I do not believe the economic benefit of the base would outweigh those negative impacts.

Jonathan Bloy  
3642 Sussex Lane  
Madison WI 53714



**From:** Cathy Douglas <almostcathy@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 12:40 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F-35 resolution

I am 100% in favor of this resolution. Please do all you can to support basing F-35s in a less populated area than Madison's near east side. Those of us on the flight path of the current fighter jets have enough problems already. This is a low- to low-moderate-income area, yet we have to deal with their extremely loud noise interrupting our educations, our jobs and our lives. No possible "mitigation" will help pedestrian and bike commuters, or schools, apartments and day-care centers that need to keep their windows open because they can't afford air conditioning. I personally don't intend to spend my life shut up indoors with the windows shut. There are four other possible bases under consideration, all with less impact on people, especially low-income people. Please base the F-35s at one of these less-populous locations. Thank you.

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Pat Malcolm <pmalcpoet@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 12:51 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Reject F-35A jets

Please oppose the locating of F-35A jets in Madison, for environmental reasons, and especially for noise levels which will adversely impact the lives of those living in the flyover zone. While studies have indicated an expanded uninhabitable zone, we know as a practicality that many of those homes will nonetheless remain inhabited, mostly by the poor and persons of color. It is unclear that noise abatement would be undertaken, some of the homes are not suitable for noise abatement, and it's unclear that it would even work. As long as the truly affordable housing stock is so low and there are impoverished citizens unable to afford anything else those homes will be inhabited. Reject the cynical arguments of those who would say, If they don't like it they should just move, as there may very likely be nowhere else for them to go! I've also heard, If they don't want the noise, they shouldn't have moved there. That argument ignores the fact that the adverse conditions did not exist when they did move there. Please support Alder Foster's proposal to decline the new jets.

Respectfully,

A. Pat Malcolm  
Madison

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Maria Powell (MEJO) <mariapowell@mejo.us>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 12:52 PM  
**To:** All Alders; Mayor  
**Cc:** 'jimpowell@mejo.us'; Maria Powell (MEJO); idajammeh@mejo.us; touyengxiong@mejo.us; Tom Moen  
**Subject:** Truax residents on F-16s, F-35s

Hello Alders and Mayor:

I have heard F-35 proponents and others claim that low income residents near the base are "used to" the jet noise, implying that it doesn't bother them. So yesterday I spent a few hours walking around in the Truax Apartment area talking with people about the F-16 jet noise and how they feel about the F-35s.

One woman I talked to really wanted to share her thoughts about the F-16s and F-35s with public officials, and was upset that she wasn't aware of public meetings last week. So I video-taped her (at her request). See the video here (a little over 1 minute):

[Truax Apartment residents on F-35s](#)



Thanks for listening to her input on this. Almost all of the other residents I spoke with expressed similar concerns.

Maria

Maria Powell, PhD  
Executive Director, Midwest Environmental Justice Organization  
Madison, WI 53704

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Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Sonja Penner <sonjapenner@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:02 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F35s

Dear Alders,

I write today to strongly encourage the passing of the Resolution put forth by Alders Foster, Kemble and that is co-sponsored by Alders Abbas, Rummel, Heck, and Evers.

I have lived at my current residence for 28 years. We have tolerated the F16s but absolutely find the F35s unacceptable: 47% increase in activity, 4 times louder as stated in the EIS. The EIS provided by the Air National Guard does not fully address the many ramifications to the city and its residents and should in no way be endorsed by the city. Other substantial considerations include: environmental racism and the displacement of residents and who will pay for this, property taxes/property values of those of us in the affected area, environment impact to our our air and water (PFBs and flame retardants such as these have already closed one of our wells), the implications for future transportation infrastructure and business development on the east side, etc.

There is no evidence that suggests Truax will close if we do not accept the F35s. It would be inadvisable to support the F35s at Truax if you truly represent the people of Madison.

Please support the Foster Resolution and all member of our community in this situation.

Sincerely,

Sonja Penner  
3641 Dennett Drive  
Madison, WI 53714

Sent from my iPad



**From:** Kelly Kearns <kearns@uwalumni.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:03 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Resolution #57364 - please support

Please support Resolution #57364 to oppose the F35s coming to the 115 Fighter Wing base at Truax. This potential placement is bad in so many ways. The emissions from the planes, the potential groundwater impacts and making Madison a target for bombing are all reasons to oppose this alternative. However, from the perspective of local economics and equity, Madison is a bad choice for these planes. Under the proposed action, 132 households would be located in the 70-75 DNL contour where housing is incompatible. An additional 1,019 households will fall within the 65-70 dB DNL contour, considered potentially incompatible with residential use and (in theory) eligible for noise mitigation. Who will compensate these homeowners who either can not live in their homes, or at minimum will see a drastic decrease in the resale value of their homes? And then there are many thousands of homes, mine included, that are outside of these zones but still are within the area where we are already negatively affected by the F16 noise. The potential costs to the city will be huge. The economic benefit of having the F35s is an increase of 60 permanently employed people and a few temporary construction jobs. A very poor trade-off for the city and for the tens of thousands of people who will be affected.

Please listen to the affected residents and support this resolution and ask your staff to provide detailed substantive comments and questions on the draft EIS.  
Thank you.

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Pam Moran <pamscooter@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:12 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Strongly support the resolution to oppose F35's at Truax

Hello,

Although I live outside of Madison, I feel the need to express my strong support for this resolution. I appreciate the well developed analysis and concern for the well-being of the citizens impacted.

Pamela Moran  
371 Woodland Cir  
Maple Bluff WI 53704

**From:** Jennifer Gaber <jlgaber@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:46 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Greetings from Quincy & Carpenter

#### General Information

Name: Jennifer Gaber  
Address: 3210 Quincy Ave  
City: Madison  
State: WI  
ZIP: 53704  
Phone: 608-622-5148  
Work Phone:  
Email: jlgaber@gmail.com  
Should we contact you?: Yes

#### Message:

Thank you for taking the time to read feedback regarding the F-35s being placed at Truax.

My husband, pets, & myself and sometimes returning kids or visiting family reside near the corner of Quincy & Carpenter, the 16th "Point of Interest" in the environmental study.

We had been renters more most of our adult lives, but three years ago the annual rent increases had grown untenable and we made the big financial leap of mortgage ownership in order that we could stay living in Madison. While we made offers at asking price for many small Madison homes on the Eastside we were repeatedly outbid by people going over asking price with cash. We were happy and relieved to find the Carpenter Ridgeway neighborhood where our bid was accepted on half of a duplex that had more square footage than we required but was lovely and within our reach financially. We have strived in the past three years to improve our home, making repairs on the second story deck, replacing central air, refrigeration, and furnaces with more energy-efficient newer models. We've planted trees and worked on landscaping. And, this summer, my uncle made us a beautiful arbor bench in his woodworking shop so we could sit outside and enjoy the garden scape we've worked to create and the birds that come to the yard. It's beautiful, and more than we'd hoped for.

Currently, when the military jets fly, they shut down the conversation, scare the pets, and mildly disrupt that moment in time, but this has not wholly disrupted our lives. We've read the environmental study that shows our home may become unfit to live in. We're aware that the chances of mitigating the noise they create is slim as nobody is truly being accountable for financial assistance with sound insulation for homes. Even if sound insulation were a given, it sounds a lot like house-arrest to me - a gardener who walks her dog on the Starkweather path, bicycles around the neighborhood, and enjoys our backyard.

We have also read about the massive failure of the F-35 program which has failed to meet its own design requirements, has been the most expensive defensive program in world history, and is on track to expend 1.5 Trillion before it is phased out. Pilots in tests between the F-16 and F-35 have confirmed that the F-16 is simply a better fighter jet.

According to the 2012 environmental report produced for the Boise area, F-35s can annually release these additional pollutants into the Ada County air:

#### F-35 emissions

- 1.63 tons of Volatile Organic Compounds
- 161.82 tons of Carbon Monoxide
- 129.50 tons of Nitrous Oxide
- 13.26 tons of Sulfur Dioxide

- 3.26 tons of large particulates
- 3.16 tons of small particulates
- 48,725 tons of carbon dioxide

Finally, my husband's dad was a test pilot for military helicopters. He died when one failed and crashed when Bart was an infant. He was the only casualty in the huge, empty expanse of land where these were tested. Bart's pointed out that had it been an urban landscape, that would have been a very different crash report.

It isn't just a NIMBY issue for us. It's a failed program and a huge, national money-suck that is wasteful. It's been deemed "Too Big to Fail" which should be a red flag to us. It will further pollute our air and leave our North and Eastside homes, business places, and schools less livable. On a personal level, it will make my family's investment in owning a mortgage and efforts to improve our home useless. And, I don't think we'll be able to afford to make a move when that happens. We can't just take that massive loss, so this is a frightening prospect.

If the program does come here, Madison loses on so many levels. The F-16 program is good. It's a better jet, we are in a strategic location, it won't go away - those jobs won't go away if the F-35 program doesn't come here.

I ask you to stand strong against bringing the F-35 program to Madison. It's a poor fit and bad for Madison.

Jen Gaber

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Kathleen Behrens <breathenout@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:47 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** F35s at Truax

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

I am very much in favor of the passage of Grant Foster's resolution concerning F35 jets being brought to Madison. Although I don't live in an area that will be strongly impacted, I believe that we ought to be looking out for all of the folks who will.

Recipient:  
All Alders

**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:48 PM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: resolution

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**To:** [district6@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district6@cityofmadison.com)  
**Subject:** resolution

Dear Alderperson Rummel

I strongly urge you to support the Common Council resolution opposing F35s to Truax. There are too many inadequacies in the Air Force EIS to list here but noise and chemical contamination impacts and low income and minority discrimination are the most egregious.

I live under the landing approach for the F16s. Based on my observations, decibel levels, as presented in the plan are underestimated. Approaches are sometimes single plane, sometimes in a line with a short time interval between and sometimes in tandem. Landing approach altitudes vary considerably. Decibel levels vary considerably as a result. Obviously tandem approaches result in twice the sound energy. A simple law of physics states that if the approach altitude is halved, the decibel level increases by a factor of four. There is no question decibel levels will fluctuate widely with the F35s just as they do now with the F16s.

Thorough analysis of present and future ground water contamination is conspicuous by its absence in the EIS. Serious soil and ground water contamination already exist around Truax. This is likely to be exacerbated with the F35s. Specifics on firefighting chemicals and hazardous substances that make up parts of the aircraft are missing. How Truax plans to comply with state, county and city environmental laws is unclear. Where the liability for cleanup lies is unclear.

Of the five proposed F35 sites, Truax impacts minority and low income families the most. Considering all the money and effort the city has directed into mitigating discrimination for these people the F35 proposal is a slap in the face. The Air Force has no responsibility to re-house or re-fit noise impacted dwellings. Mitigation defaults to the FAA, an agency already over committed and under funded.

Finally, Madison is a nuclear free city. F35s are offensive weapons designed to carry nuclear weapons. The Air Force does not have to disclose whether or not these weapons are stored at Truax. Nuclear weapons and their delivery systems in and around Madison is morally reprehensible.

There is no question Madison's quality of life will decline if these aircraft are stationed here.

I strongly urge you to support the Common Council resolution.

Steve Abitz

[sjabitz@gmail.com](mailto:sjabitz@gmail.com)

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
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**Subject:** Fwd: F35s

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**Subject:** F35s

Hi, Marsha,

Thank you for your support for "people over planes" in the F35 jet situation. Today's WSJ has a letter to the editor in which the writer, as several others have done, says these incredibly loud planes are the "sound of freedom"...protecting us from attack from north and south. This jingoistic BS is no reason at all for putting the F35s in an urban area where they will do immense harm to people living nearby and to a fairly wide area that's not right next door to Truax Field.

And promises of "dozens of jobs" is no reason to put these planes at Truax, either.

I've let the USAF know my position and I hope they will use some common sense and have these planes based somewhere else...away from urban populations.

Thanks for listening...

Steve Rudolph  
East Main Street



**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:52 PM  
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**To:** [mayor@cityofmadison.com](mailto:mayor@cityofmadison.com)  
**Subject:** Resolution Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

Dear Mayor,

I am counting on you supporting this resolution. I heard during your campaign that your priorities would be racial equity, low income housing and rapid transit in the city.

All of these are compromised if the F-35s were to be located in the city of Madison.

The EIS draft is both misleading and lacking data.

While many tout economic growth as the primary reason to support the F-35s, that is not enumerated into real money over the years. The cost of doing an environmental study for polluted soil and water is \$120 million and we know it is contaminated. There is no cost for clean up. There are not dollars listed for the cost to mitigate the houses, mobile homes, apartment buildings, schools, childcare centers and businesses that would be affected. This does not happen proactively and may never be funded by the government and would fall upon the tax payers unless we consider these homes and those that live in it not worthy of living in Madison.

In this crucial time of trying to save our planet, it is time to say NO to what is clearly an added burden on the environment, let alone those of us who live here. We can not afford to allow polluting planes carrying weapons and tons of fuel to fly over our city.

I am counting on you supporting this. If you do not, I challenge you to explain to those who believed your position as a progressive when you campaigned, why you do not care about those people directly affected by the addition of F-35 noise, pollution, and inability to develop a rapid transit system.

Terry Cohn  
6th district resident just outside the black line of "65" decibels.

**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:58 PM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: your column on the F-35 issue (Sep 10, The Cap Times)

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**Subject:** your column on the F-35 issue (Sep 10, The Cap Times)  
**Reply-To:** Zane Williams <[zane@zanewilliamsphotography.com](mailto:zane@zanewilliamsphotography.com)>

Dear Jessie:

I was dismayed to read your piece from Sep 10, suggesting that Madison citizenry ("we") actually have much real power in "doing it right" with regard to the F-35 issue (Jessie Sapoiien: "The Air Forces's F-35s will be a boon to Madison and Wisconsin, but we have to do it right"). I attended the neighborhood meeting last night at Sherman School. The gymnasium was packed. Speaker after speaker from the affected areas provided personal testimony of how the *current* noise levels from F-16's already shake their homes and halt their normal daily activities. They do not see the prospective impact of basing F-35's here as an "asset" that protects them and their families or delivers any economic or community benefit. Close to 100% of those speaking last night felt quite the opposite. Further, to suggest that the Guard's goal of "integrating as seamlessly as possible" with the community is being made "more difficult" by pushback from residents in the city's affected areas belittles the latter.

Your column seems to suggest Madison can have its cake and eat it too. That we can have this no small increase in noise and frequency of flights, affecting nearby neighborhoods and communities, yet be able to somehow remedy this with "quiet zones" and sound barriers. This is not reality. Madison will not be "better" by having a Guard unit equipped with next-generation jets. Low income populations, communities of color, and young children will be disproportionately affected. Suggesting otherwise ignores the federal environmental impact draft. Noise mitigation has been offered as a primary solution. If you study how federal "mitigation" works, and how it would work here at Truax, you'll see that for the people affected, this is the stuff of fantasy. Quality of life as affected by abnormal sound/noise levels will suffer for substantial numbers of residents (more than the "affected" maps suggest). Businesses sensitive to excessive noise/sound in the affected areas may have to leave. Property values will suffer, many think substantially. Schools and day care centers will be affected. This is not some minor "noise pollution" situation being considered, nor a runway expansion project such as that of 1998 where there was success in abating noise from the newer, longer runways and the aircraft they could accommodate. Runways don't fly.

You quote Zack Brandon ("Noise gets mitigated"). Not noise like this. Some small proportion of lucky building owners in the most affected area may get noise mitigation. But most of us spend a fair amount of time outside. The super-heightened noise levels produced by F-35's in affected Madison outdoor environs will shock many by their volume and vibration. There is a reason why most F-35's are going to true military bases, and not being located on the immediate periphery of a major metropolitan community. The ante is raised with this aircraft. It defies logic that a squadron of F-35's could "integrate seamlessly" into any part of the Madison community that values its quality of relative peace and quiet.

This bromide of "having an opportunity to work together to propose solutions..." has little basis in everyday reality. The people most affected by this can't continue to entertain long-term engagement on this issue. They're trying to make ends meet. They might be having to find alternate housing in the future. Many or most who own homes in this affected area may not be able to purchase anew going forward.

Finally, there seems to be a misunderstanding about the Guard's future if we don't have the F-35's here. Many local elected officials have met with representatives of the Air National Guard. These representatives make clear that the decision to bring F-35's to Madison is separate from base de-commissioning decisions. There are no serious Truax de-commissioning discussions going on at this point in time. This is also reflected in the executive summary of the draft EIS (p. ES-20). The WI Air Guard will continue to exist and function into the foreseeable future as it has up to the present if F-35's do not come to Madison.

In closing, this is not a "tremendous opportunity for Madison and for Wisconsin". We have an air wing and Air National Guard that is proportional in size and scale to the community it serves and is located next to. We do not need an upscaling that makes what we have feel, look, and sound more like a full-fledged military base.

Rather than "welcome the jets" as you suggest, why not welcome more of what has made Madison consistently rank among "America's Best Small Cities", or "Best Capital Cities to Live In" or "Nicest Cities in America" or "Most Caring Cities in America"? Are we willing to chance losing this quality of life— this unique sensory mix that makes visitors so attracted to our City? Newer, bigger, and louder does not get us there.

Respectfully,

Zane Williams



Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 1:59 PM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: From Gregg Shimanski

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**Cc:** Gregg Shimanski <[gregg@madrent.com](mailto:gregg@madrent.com)>  
**Subject:** From Gregg Shimanski

Syed, Marsha and Grant:

I was unable to make the meeting last night, but would like to weigh in on the F-35 discussion.

I own approximately 90 multi family rental units in the flight path of the airport (Commercial Avenue/Aberg Avenue) that are covered in the EIS produced by the National Guard.

While I am a strong supporter of expanded opportunity for our citizens and expanded commerce, I am opposed to this expansion.

I have thought long and hard about this, and my conclusion after reading a great deal on this topic, is that it will diminish substantially the quality of life for those who are affected by this noise.

Thank you  
gs

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- Thomas Jefferson

Veldran, Lisa

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**Subject:** Fighters

Thanks for information session/ forum last night.

It is discouraging to see the support of the NG plan from the liberal elite elected officials and tacit support from the Mayor.

Sigh.

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
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**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: F35s

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**To:** [district6@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district6@cityofmadison.com)  
**Subject:** F35s

I request that you stand with Chris Taylor in opposition to F35s coming to Madison. The environmental impacts are too high, especially on low income communities and people of color. The negative impact in our community is not worth the minimal promised jobs.

Thank you-  
Colleen Neary  
2124 Winnebago St.  
Madison, WI  
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Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
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**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: F-35 meeting

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**To:** [district6@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district6@cityofmadison.com)  
**Subject:** F-35 meeting

Thanks for your awesome involvement in last night's community meeting.

Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 2:01 PM  
**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: F-35 City Staff Analysis and Public Hearings

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**Subject:** Re: F-35 City Staff Analysis and Public Hearings

Thanks for your position opposing the F-35s at Truax!!! At FOUR times the volume of the F16s, it would be significantly unpleasant in Marquette & Atwood and absolutely unbearable anywhere closer.

I'm so glad that the conversation has turned to environmental racism. It's time.

Thanks!  
-julie

On Sep 11, 2019, at 3:06 PM, Dungan, Allison <[ADungan@publichealthmdc.com](mailto:ADungan@publichealthmdc.com)> wrote:

Brentwood Northport NRT members,

Earlier today the Mayor's office posted the following City staff analysis related to the draft United States Air Force F-35A Operational Beddown National Guard Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) pertaining to the 115 Fighter Wing at Truax Field. You are encouraged to know how this will impact you or those who you represent or work with. The Brentwood and Northport NRT will be impacted by this decision.

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/blog/city-staff-memo-maps-on-f-35-environmental-impact-statement>

Alders Abbas, Kemble, Foster and Rummel have organized a meeting at 5:30 tonight (Wednesday September 11) to be held in the Sherman Middle School cafeteria to hear concerns and share information about the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

The Air National Guard will be holding an open house to discuss the EIS tomorrow, Thursday, September 12 at the Alliant Energy Center from 5-8pm.

If you are unable to attend either of those events but wish to weigh in on the EIS, you may submit your comments online, by email or mail by Friday, September 27.

Online: <http://www.angf35eis.com/Comments.aspx>

Email: [usaf.jbanafw.ngb-a4.mbx.a4a-nepa-comments@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.jbanafw.ngb-a4.mbx.a4a-nepa-comments@mail.mil)

Mail: Mr. Ramon Ortiz, NGB/A4AM, 3501 Fetchet Avenue, Joint Base Andrews MD 20762-5157

Best Regards,



Allison

**Allison Dungan (pronouns: she/her/hers) | Health Equity Coordinator | [Public Health Madison & Dane County](#) | 210 MLK Jr. Blvd, Rm. 507 Madison, WI 53703**  
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Veldran, Lisa

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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
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**To:** Veldran, Lisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: No on F35s in Madison

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**Subject:** No on F35s in Madison

Marsha, as a resident I believe it to not be in Madison's best interest to house the new F35 jets that are being proposed. Money should never trump living conditions for residents.

Thanks Marsha

Scott Martens  
2124 Winnebago St

**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2019, 2:02 PM  
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**Subject:** Fwd: F-35s

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**To:** [district6@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district6@cityofmadison.com)  
**Subject:** F-35s

Dear Alder Rummel,

As one of your constituents (who always votes), I'm contacting you to let you know that I strongly oppose the locating of the F-35 fighter jets at Truax Field in Madison, WI. I believe you do as well, but I still feel very strongly that it's important to voice my opinion regardless of where your vote and feelings lie. Also, I am unable to attend tomorrow evening's public hearing about this issue and want to make sure I'm doing my civic duty through letter writing instead.

As a (recent) first-time homeowner with a toddler living just blocks outside the 65 decibel area of concern, I am extremely concerned at a personal level for the health and economic stability of my family if the F-35s were to be located here in Madison. The F-16s that fly over our house on a somewhat regular basis are something we've learned to live with, though not happily. Our almost two year old is no longer terrified of them, but they are still a conversation stopper and prevent us from having our windows open when they're doing frequent flights. We've had friends NOT buy on our side of town because they didn't want to be under a flight path. We don't have the financial ability to live on the near west side as housing prices are even more ridiculous there. If the F-35s are located at Truax, I'm afraid our house value will plummet. As 30 something underpaid public servants with a mortgage, student loans, and daycare costs, this isn't something we can easily absorb.

On a less personal level, I'm EXTREMELY concerned for the folks living *inside* the areas of concern related to decibel levels from the F-35s. Hundreds of homes will be rendered "incompatible for habitation". My understanding is that the four other geographic options for the location of this F-35 facility will impact exponentially fewer folks. Folks who for the most part are young families, lower income, POC, and otherwise marginalized folks who don't have the agency to relocate easily and who cannot afford to take a loss on their homes. Not to mention the destruction of entire neighborhoods or the environmental impact of these jets. As an environmental public health professional, I have concerns about the public health and environmental impacts of these jets as well.

Shame on Madison, my native home: a city that likes to tout itself as liberal and progressive but often falls short. If this goes through this is just another of entirely too many examples of how money is worth more than the lives of folks who don't have it. This wouldn't even be a conversation if the folks being affected were white and middle class (whatever that is anymore). Do the right thing and vote against the F-35s coming to Madison.

Colleen Moran  
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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Opposing F-35 Fighter Jets at Truax

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**To:** [district6@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district6@cityofmadison.com)  
**Subject:** Opposing F-35 Fighter Jets at Truax

Dear Alder Rummel:

My name is Jess Pernsteiner and I am opposed to the placement of F-35s at Truax Air National Guard Base for multiple reasons. I live in the Atwood neighborhood, 3.7 miles from the Dane County Regional Airport, in the flight path, and I have already noticed a negative impact by the increased noise caused by the presence of the F-16s at my home. I strongly believe the potential 64 new jobs is not worth the air, noise and water pollution, along with the economic cost, and negative impact to the "60,000 people living within three miles of the airport who will receive no remediation funds" and forcing *at least* 292 people to move from their homes.

For 4 years, I worked as a Community Resource Specialist at Access Community Health Centers on East Washington Avenue, and I know many families that I assisted with live in the neighborhoods that will be most impacted. As [noted](#) in a *Wisconsin State Journal* article from August 3, "minorities, children and lower-income communities on Madison's East Side would be disproportionately affected." This is an instance of environmental racism, by forcing out communities who are already struggling within a City that is becoming increasingly unaffordable (for further coverage on this, see *Isthmus* [cover story](#) published Aug. 22-28). The EIS [states](#) that "132 households and 292 persons would be located in the 70-75 dB DNL noise contour where housing is incompatible," however there has not been a solution provided to help those directly affected.

Of the 5 potential locations being considered, Alabama and Wisconsin are the "only ones that showed the potential to disproportionately impact marginalized populations" as [stated](#) in the *Wisconsin State Journal* article. Additionally, Madison has *at least* 292 people who will be forced to relocate—the highest of all 5 potential locations. [Table ES-1](#) on page ES-9 of the EIS indicates that the bases in Alabama and Wisconsin have the least amount of proposed new jobs—27 and 64 respectively, while hosting F-35s in any of the other 3 locations in Idaho, Florida, or Michigan would lead to a proposed personnel change of 85 positions.

From an environmental perspective, allowing F-35s in Madison will also lead to significant air and water pollution. An article in the *Wisconsin State Journal* from March 5 of this year [stated](#) that Well 15, [located](#) on East Washington Avenue, was being shut down as a precaution, due

to contamination by PFAs. NBC15 recently [reported](#) on August 27 that "officials from Madison Water Utility said Well 15 will remain out of service for the foreseeable future." PFAs have not only been found in the drinking water of Well 15, but [according](#) to NBC15, "Madison Water Utility said the compounds are extremely difficult to break down and are now showing up in dust, air, groundwater, lakes, rivers and streams." This contamination will only continue to spread—and it is unacceptable that the City of Madison and State of Wisconsin are considering F-35s, when the water contamination caused by the Truax Air National Guard Base has yet to be cleaned up.

Furthermore, it is important to note the potential negative impact on Madison's economic growth. As the City continues to grow and expand, an increasing number of young people are looking to purchase homes on the north and east sides, in the areas most impacted. Kim Hart, author of weekly newsletter, Axios Cities, [states](#) in a recent online article from Sept. 4 that "college towns are emerging as economic powerhouses, thanks to their outsized share of the young, highly educated workers who are in such high demand. And as more students stay put after graduation, college towns' potential is only growing." However, with the F-35s in Madison, it will drastically decrease the appeal to young families to purchase homes and stay in the community, which could adversely impact the future development of the City's economy.

Sincerely,

Jess Pernsteiner  
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**From:** Rummel, Marsha  
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**Date:** September 11, 2019 at 2:08:50 PM CDT  
**To:** [district6@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district6@cityofmadison.com)  
**Subject:** **Opposition to F35 proposal**

Marsha,

I want to voice my opposition to the F35 fighter jets that may be making their way to Madison.

We have experienced the F16s use their afterburners and it was so loud it shook our house and drowned out all conversation. This isn't something that needs to be in or near our dense urban neighborhood. I also worry about being a potential nuclear target.

If they are stationed here, at a minimum I think there should be 1) restrictions to limit the noise of the F35s (no afterburner during training within city limits), 2) residents most affected by the increased noise should be compensated for lost property value, and 3) PSAF's should be cleaned up and strictly limited.

Please oppose these being stationed in Madison.

Sincerely  
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