

# **Afton-Lincoln County Airport (KAFO) Good Neighbor Program**

We recognize the importance of balancing aviation operations with maintaining good relationships with our local community. To help reduce noise impacts on our neighbors, we ask all pilots to follow these voluntary noise abatement recommendations whenever possible. Your participation ensures we continue to be good neighbors and maintain the airport as a valuable asset for our region.

## **1. General Noise Abatement Practices**

Use gradual power reductions after takeoff and before landing, as appropriate for aircraft performance and safety. Make turns only when necessary and avoid low-level, sharp turns that may produce excess noise. Follow standardized approach and departure routes.

## **2. Preferred Runways and Flight Paths**

When departing or arriving, adjust flight paths to minimize noise impact over residential areas, particularly over town and nearby neighborhoods. Stay above 2,000 feet AGL when possible. This altitude helps reduce noise impact while allowing for safe operations.

## **3. Departure and Arrival Recommendations**

Climb quickly to higher altitudes to minimize noise near the airport. For aircraft with higher climb rates, a steeper climb helps reduce noise in sensitive areas. Descend smoothly to avoid unnecessary power adjustments that could increase noise.

## **4. Night Operations**

We recommend limiting night operations unless necessary, particularly for those operating near residential areas. Pilots are always encouraged to use routes that minimize overflights of populated areas, but especially when operating at night.

## **5. Education and Awareness**

We encourage pilots to stay informed about noise abatement recommendations through available resources and industry best practices. Regular self-education helps maintain awareness of local noise-sensitive areas and effective mitigation strategies. We encourage pilots to engage with the local community when possible and support initiatives that promote understanding between the aviation community and residents.

## **Thank You for Being a Good Neighbor!**

Your efforts to reduce noise make a meaningful difference in maintaining a harmonious relationship between our airport and the surrounding community. Together, we can continue to enjoy the benefits of aviation while being considerate of our neighbors.