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Subject: Tobias Park NMT Outage – March 19, 2026 (Record of Failure, Oversight Concerns, and Request for Accountability)
Attachments: Screenshot 2026-03-19 192923.png; Screenshot 2026-03-19 193850.png; Screenshot 2026-03-19 221507.png; Screenshot 2026-03-20 074700.png

Good Morning,

The Tobias Park noise monitor was **offline as of 17:00 on March 19, 2026 and remained non-operational thereafter**, as clearly indicated by the system (grey status indicator).

The precise start time of the outage is unknown. However, the fact that the monitor was already non-operational at 17:00 raises serious concerns regarding both the reliability of the monitoring network and the adequacy of oversight mechanisms intended to ensure continuous operation.

At the time of this outage, operational data from NAV CANADA (NC-Aeroview) indicated active runway usage and prevailing wind conditions (340° at 14 knots), with multiple runways in operation and crosswind/tailwind components being actively managed.

In this context, the absence of functioning noise monitoring during active operations is particularly concerning. Monitoring gaps occurring during periods of live traffic and variable wind conditions undermine the ability to accurately capture real-world exposure conditions and raise further questions regarding the completeness and reliability of the environmental record. This raises additional concern where monitoring systems intended to support transparency and accountability are unavailable precisely when operational variability is highest.

This incident is not isolated. Repeated outages across the noise monitoring network point to a broader pattern of system fragility, insufficient redundancy, and a lack of timely detection and disclosure. These failures directly compromise the integrity of the data relied upon for public reporting, policy justification, and regulatory oversight.

Given that aircraft noise exposure has well-documented public health implications, and that monitoring data is routinely relied upon to inform land-use planning, environmental assessments, and community impact evaluations, any gaps in data collection or disclosure raise significant concerns regarding transparency, accountability, and potential misrepresentation of actual conditions experienced by surrounding communities.

From an oversight perspective, this raises questions under:

- The Aeronautics Act (Canada), including the Minister’s responsibility to ensure aviation activities are conducted with due regard for public safety and the public interest
- Federal environmental and public health obligations, including those reflected in the Canadian Environmental Protection Act
- Established federal guidance on land-use compatibility and noise exposure, including Transport Canada’s TP 1247 – *Land Use in the Vicinity of Airports*
- The broader duty of federal regulators and delegated authorities to ensure that data used in decision-making is complete, reliable, and not materially misleading

In the context of ongoing concerns raised through formal disclosure processes, including submissions to the Public Sector Integrity Commissioner under the **Public Servants Disclosure Protection Act** (File No. PSIC-D-2025-0722), persistent monitoring failures may reasonably be interpreted as evidence of systemic deficiencies in oversight, data integrity, and accountability mechanisms, particularly where such issues recur without clear documentation or corrective action.

Screenshots from the monitoring system and NAV CANADA operational data are attached for reference. These images document the status of the Tobias Park monitor (offline as of 17:00) and concurrent operational conditions at the time of the outage.

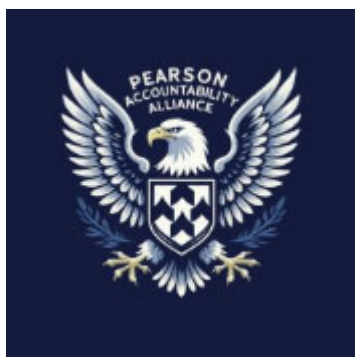
Accordingly, please provide:

- The exact start and end times of the outage
- The root cause of the failure
- Corrective actions taken to prevent recurrence
- Confirmation of how this data gap will be disclosed in public-facing reports and datasets

Please ensure this outage is formally recorded in all official logs and reporting systems.

Absent clear documentation, disclosure, and corrective action, repeated monitoring failures risk creating a materially incomplete or misleading evidentiary record of environmental conditions, with potential implications for regulatory compliance, public trust, and institutional accountability.

Sincerely,



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