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Two Gillfillan Award Winners This Year

After a one-year hiatus, the U.C. Davis symposium awarded its prestigious Walt Gillfillan Award to two honorees this year: one from the community side of the noise issue and one from the consulting side.

- **Darlene Yaplee**, Co-Founder and President of the Aviation-Impacted Communities Alliance, was instrumental in forming a coalition of over 90 communities groups across the country into a potent political organization. She has collaborated with the Congressional Quiet Skies Caucus on strategic initiatives and continues to enhance stakeholder engagement. She is a nationally-recognized expert in aviation legislation, community engagement, and aviation noise policy. Her advocacy began in 2015 in response to FAA's NextGen program.
- **Gene Reindel** is Vice-President in the Aviation Environmental Sustainability Services Group at Harris Miller Miller & Hanson Inc. (HMMH) where he manages a wide range of aviation noise consulting projects. He has focused the greater part of his career on aircraft noise issues across the country and around the world. He provides technical support on aviation related noise studies and noise measurement programs. As a trained facilitator, he leads public outreach programs associated with controversial noise studies and projects and facilitates community noise forum meetings.

The symposium award honors Walt Gillfillan, a longtime transportation planning consultant who founded the U.C. Davis symposium in 1985 in collaboration with the University of California.