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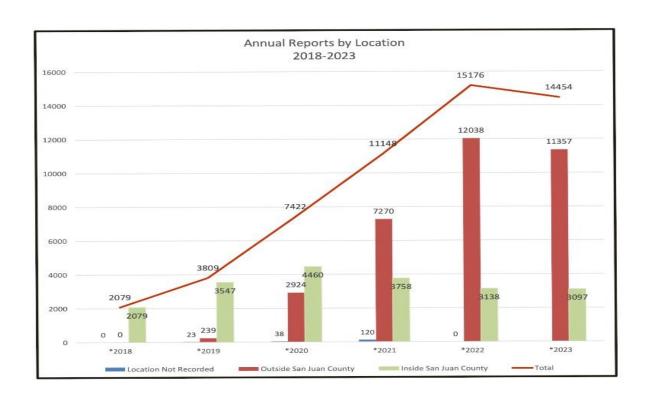
We Can't Get Away

In 2019 the Navy added 36 more Growlers. That year we added collecting noise reports from outside San Juan County. From 2019 to 2022 noise reports increased almost 400%.

In 2023 the total number of reports were almost 5% lower than last year. We don't know why. It could be that the Navy did somewhat less training at Whidbey. Or people who regularly report are burned out. This is something we will look into.

The bottom line is that Growlers continue to bombard noise around the Salish Sea.

Thank you for reporting Jet Noise.



The 2023 Annual Jet Noise Report is here. https://www.quietskies.info/county-website-data-summaries

We Need Your Location

When you report Growler noise it's important to know where the noise was heard. We make maps that support University of Washington research on health impacts. It also shows if noise hot spots are changing.

About 24% of reports (3200+) did not set their Location. If you don't set your location it will default to a place just east of Shaw Island. It's not likely that many people are reporting from a boat. We make manual adjustments, but this likely results in inaccuracies when we report and map.

You can set your Location in one of four ways -

- Allow your device (phone or computer) to provide the location. You may have to adjust your
 Privacy settings for one-time use.
- Move the blue arrow to point to your location. Move and zoom the map to find your location.
- Find your address or place.
- As a last resort you can type in your location (Anacortes, Coupeville, Ruby Beach, etc.) in the Comments section and we will adjust the location. We do not need your address.

We protect your privacy. If you use your address it is not recorded - the website turns addresses into map coordinates.

Is the Website Working?

The website has been pretty reliable. Sometimes there can be a problem with your device. Here are two suggestions:

- Clear History and Website Data in your browser, such as Safari, Chrome, FireFox, Microsoft Edge, etc.
- Try the website with this longer address
- If this does not fix the problem please email us quietskiessanjuan@gmail.com

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