

## FHWA Noise Abatement Criteria

<b>Activity Category</b>	<b>Activity Criteria(1,2) Leq(h), dBA</b>	<b>Evaluation Location</b>	<b>Activity Description</b>
A	57	Exterior	Lands on which serenity and quiet are of extraordinary significance and serve an important public need and where the preservation of those qualities is essential if the area is to continue to serve its intended purpose.
B(3)	67	Exterior	Residential
C(3)	67	Exterior	Active sport areas, amphitheatres, auditoriums, campgrounds, cemeteries, day care centers, hospitals, libraries, medical facilities, parks, picnic areas, places of worship, playgrounds, public meeting rooms, public or nonprofit institutional structures, radio studios, recording studios, recreation areas, Section 4(f) sites, schools, television studios, trails, and trail crossings
D	52	Interior	Auditoriums, day care centers, hospitals, libraries, medical facilities, places of worship, public meeting rooms, public or nonprofit institutional structures, radio studios, recording studios, schools, and television studios
E(3)	72	Exterior	Hotels, motels, offices, restaurants/bars, and other developed lands, properties or activities not included in A-D or F.
F	--	--	Agriculture, airports, bus yards, emergency services, industrial, logging, maintenance facilities, manufacturing, mining, rail yards, retail facilities, shipyards, utilities (water resources, water treatment, electrical), and warehousing
G	--	--	Undeveloped lands that are not permitted
Notes (1) Leq(h) shall be used for impact assessment. (2) The Leq(h) Activity Criteria values are for impact determination only, and are not design standards for noise abatement measures. (3) Includes undeveloped lands permitted for this activity category.			