
Appendix C: Tribal Correspondence

Environmental Impact Statement

Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization

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Appendix C Tribal Correspondence

C.1 Summary

The United States Department of the Navy (Navy) has corresponded with the Battle Mountain Shoshone, Duckwater Shoshone Tribe, Elko Band Council, Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes, Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Lovelock Paiute, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, South Fork Band Council, Summit Lake Paiute Tribe, Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada (as well as the Battle Mountain Band, Elko Band, South Fork Band, and Wells Band), Walker River Paiute Tribe, Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California, Wells Band Council, Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada, Yerington Paiute Tribe, and the Yomba Shoshone Tribe.

Each Tribe was sent a Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and to Announce Scoping Meetings for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization: Expansion of Land Ranges, Airspace Modifications, and Public Land Withdrawal Renewal; the scoping comment period extension notice; invitations to meetings with cooperating agencies to discuss the Proposed Action and alternatives; a request for assistance of regional Tribal Governments in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS; thank you letters for attending the meetings if applicable; an invitation to review the Draft EIS prior to the public release of the document; the Notice of Availability of the FRTC Modernization Draft EIS and meeting announcement; the comment period extension notice for the FRTC Modernization Draft EIS; a letter informing the Tribes that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement in association with the proposed FRTC Modernization Undertaking; an invitation to review the Final EIS prior to the public release of the document; and an invitation to participate in a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes. If requested, the Navy also consulted with Indian Tribes on sensitive properties; those consultation letters requesting meetings with the tribal government, cultural committee, elders, and any interested individual tribal members are contained in this Appendix. The Navy provided cultural inventory results in the proposed FRTC expansion to Tribes if requested. The Navy will continue to consult with Tribes and ensure an amended 2011 Programmatic Agreement is updated as applicable for the Tribes.

C.2 Group Emails

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
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Cc: [Klapec, Michael T CIV NAVFAC SW](#); [Goodwin, Sara R CIV NAVFAC SW](#); [Waters, Michael R CIV NAVFAC SW, SW09C \(michael.r.waters@navy.mil\)](#)
Subject: NAS Fallon FRTC Sensitive Sites Meeting
Date: Thursday, January 10, 2019 9:42:00

All: The Navy proposes to have a meeting to discuss sensitive sites and mitigation measures related to the proposed modernization of NAS Fallon Training Ranges and proposes to have the meeting on NAS Fallon. The Navy proposes that this be a group meeting, however, you may choose to have this discussion with the Navy individually. The Navy proposes to have the group meeting on one of the following dates:

February 7

February 14

February 21

February 28

Please select the dates that you would available. If you chose to meet with the Navy individually, please contact Mike Baskerville by the e-mail or phone number provided below.

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

(775) 426-3027

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
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Cc: [Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD](#); [Goodwin, Sara R CIV NAVFAC SW](#); [Klapec, Michael T CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
Subject: Sensitive Discussion
Date: Thursday, February 14, 2019 16:36:00

All: Several weeks ago I sent an e-mail requesting a meeting to discuss sensitive sites and suggested several dates in which to discuss this subject. The discussion is related to the identification of cultural properties within the proposed NAS Fallon Range Modernization area of potential effect. The types of sites would be those sites which remain important to a tribe but are not be identifiable to archaeologist conducting inventories or may have been missed by ethnographers conducting research.

I have heard back from the Fallon Paiute/Shoshone about holding the meeting on the 28th but not from the rest. If you are interested in attending the meeting on the 28th of February here at NAS Fallon, please let me know by the 20th of February. If you're interested in an individual meeting, please let me know that as well.

Additionally, if you would like representatives from the Navy to come to your reservation or colony and give the latest presentation on the EIS to the Tribal Council please let me know that as well.

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

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C.3 Battle Mountain Shoshone



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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5090
Ser N0000CF/0150
August 25, 2016

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Chairperson
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairperson Johnson,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 23, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the 2015 *Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emrsa Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.

7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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5090
Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Chairperson
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairperson Johnson,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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Mr. Emerson Winap
Council Member, Battle Mountain Band Council
37 Mountain View Dr.
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Mr. Winap:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank W. Carroll". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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5090
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June 9, 2017

Lydia Johnson
Chairman
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairman Johnson,

SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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July 5, 2017

Lydia Johnson
Chairman
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairman Johnson,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

RECORD OWNER: Ev Admin
RECORD DATE: 7/5/17
DISPOSE OF DATE: N/A
TIER LEVEL: IV

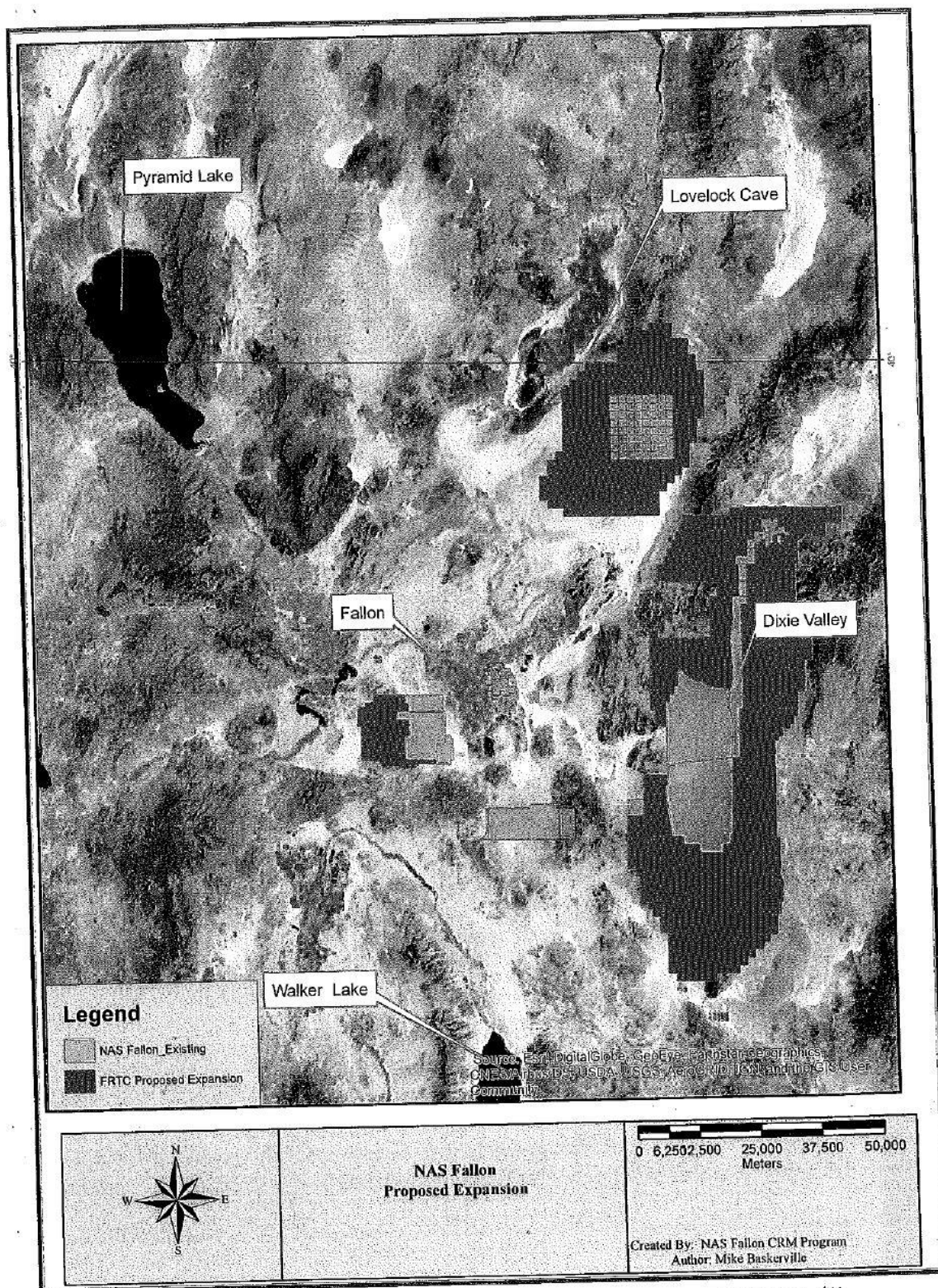
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July 5, 2017

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


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Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1





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Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Chairperson
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr.
Battle Mountain, Nevada 89820

Dear Chairperson Johnson:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



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5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr.
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairperson Johnson:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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5090
Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Drive
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairperson Johnson:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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March 28, 2019

David Carrera
Battle Mountain Shoshone Tribe
37 Mountain View Dr.
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairman George:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Battle Mountain Shoshone Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable David Carrera
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr.
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairperson Carrera:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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September 30, 2019

Chairman David Carrera
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr.
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairman Carrera:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable David Carrera
Battle Mountain Shoshone
37 Mountain View Dr.
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Dear Chairperson Carrera:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:04 PM
To: 'tribalchairman.carrera@yahoo.com'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Battle Mountain Shoshone_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Carrera

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

C.4 Duckwater Shoshone Tribe



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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4755 PASTURE ROAD
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Perline Thompson
Chairperson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairperson Thompson,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCMmodernization.com, or via postal mail to:

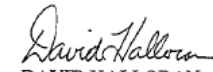
Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Perline Thompson
Chairperson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairperson Thompson,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

January 2020



DUCKWATER SHOSHONE TRIBE

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Duckwater, Nevada 89314
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November 15, 2016

Commanding Officer
Naval Air Station
4755 Pasture Road
Fallon, Nevada 89496

Subject: Tribal concerns

Sir:

First, thank you for setting up a EIS presentation that is for the affected Tribes. This is the response of the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe. Again we emphasize the importance of tribal monitors. The tribal monitors not look out for the cultural but also the biological aspects.

This is the most important undertaking of the Navy in the last withdrawal and the Commanding officer should take this into consideration.

Sincerely,

Perline Thompson
Perline Thompson, Tribal Chairwoman

Cc: Gonnice Mendez, Tribal Manager
Annette George, Natural Resources Director
Maurice Frank-Churchill, Assistant to Division Managers

The Duckwater Shoshone Tribe is an equal opportunity provider.



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Mr. Maurice Frank-Churchill
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P. O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Mr. Frank-Churchill:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapac, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapac@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank W. Carroll", is positioned above the typed name.

FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000**

5090
Ser N0000CF/0092
June 9, 2017

Perline Thompson
Chairman
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairman Thompson,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0112
July 5, 2017

Perline Thompson
Chairman
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairman Thompson,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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RECORD DATE: 7/5/17
DISPOSE OF DATE: N/A
TIER LEVEL: 12

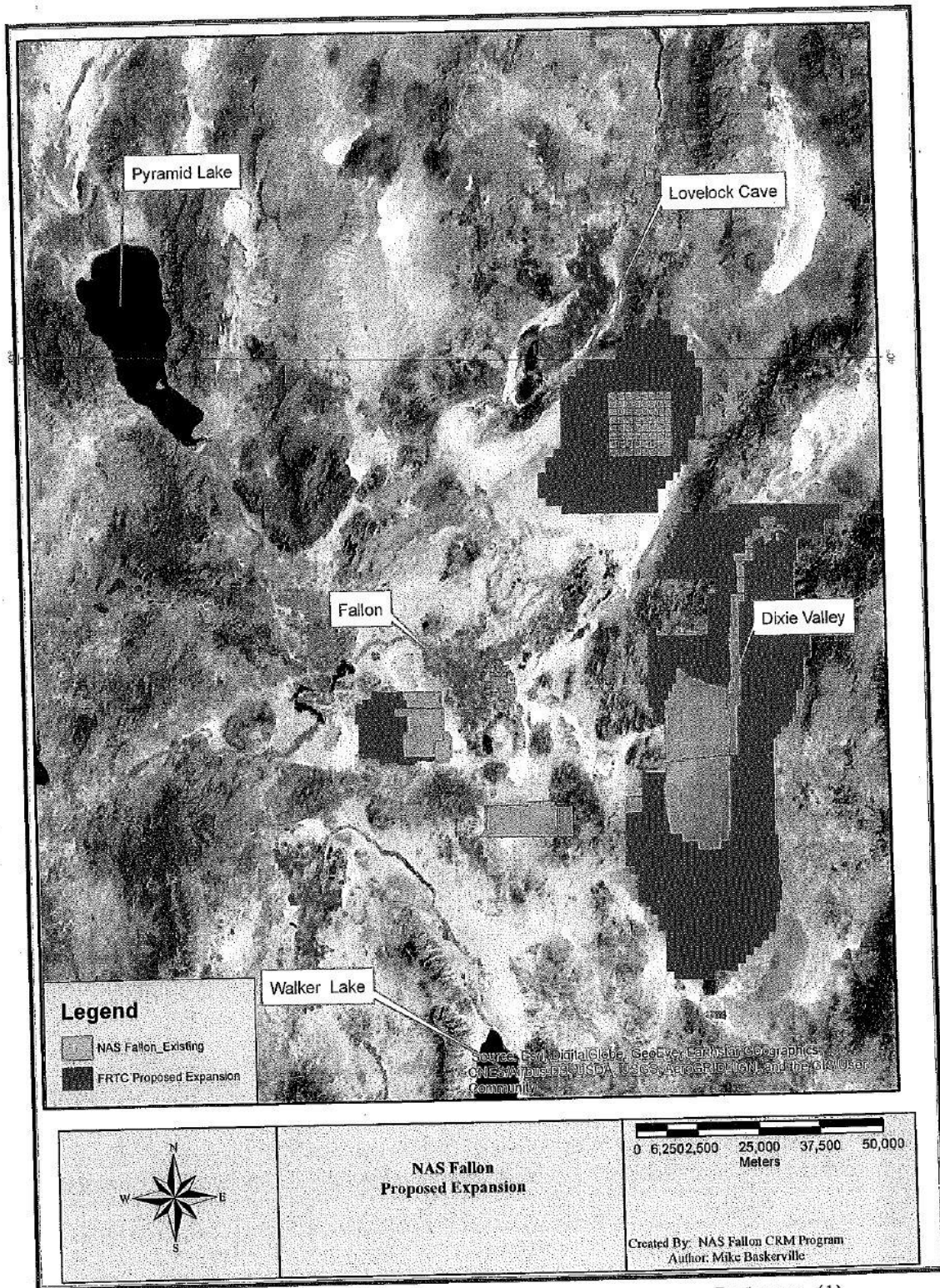
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July 5, 2017

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1





DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Perline Thompson
Chairperson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, Nevada 89314

Dear Chairperson Thompson:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Perline Thompson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairperson Thompson:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCMmodernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Perline Thompson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairperson Thompson:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

Perline Thompson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairperson Thompson:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Perline Thompson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairperson Thompson:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to read "E. L. MORRISON", is positioned above the printed name.

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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September 30, 2019

Rodney Mike
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P. O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairman Mike:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Rodney Mike
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairperson Mike:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:06 PM
To: 'chairman@duckwatertribe.org'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Duckwater Shoshone Tribe_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Mike

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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August 25, 2016

The Honorable David Decker
Chairman
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Decker,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:

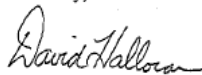
Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable David Decker
Chairperson
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Decker,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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June 9, 2017

David Decker
Chairman
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Decker,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

File

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July 5, 2017

David Decker
Chairman
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Decker,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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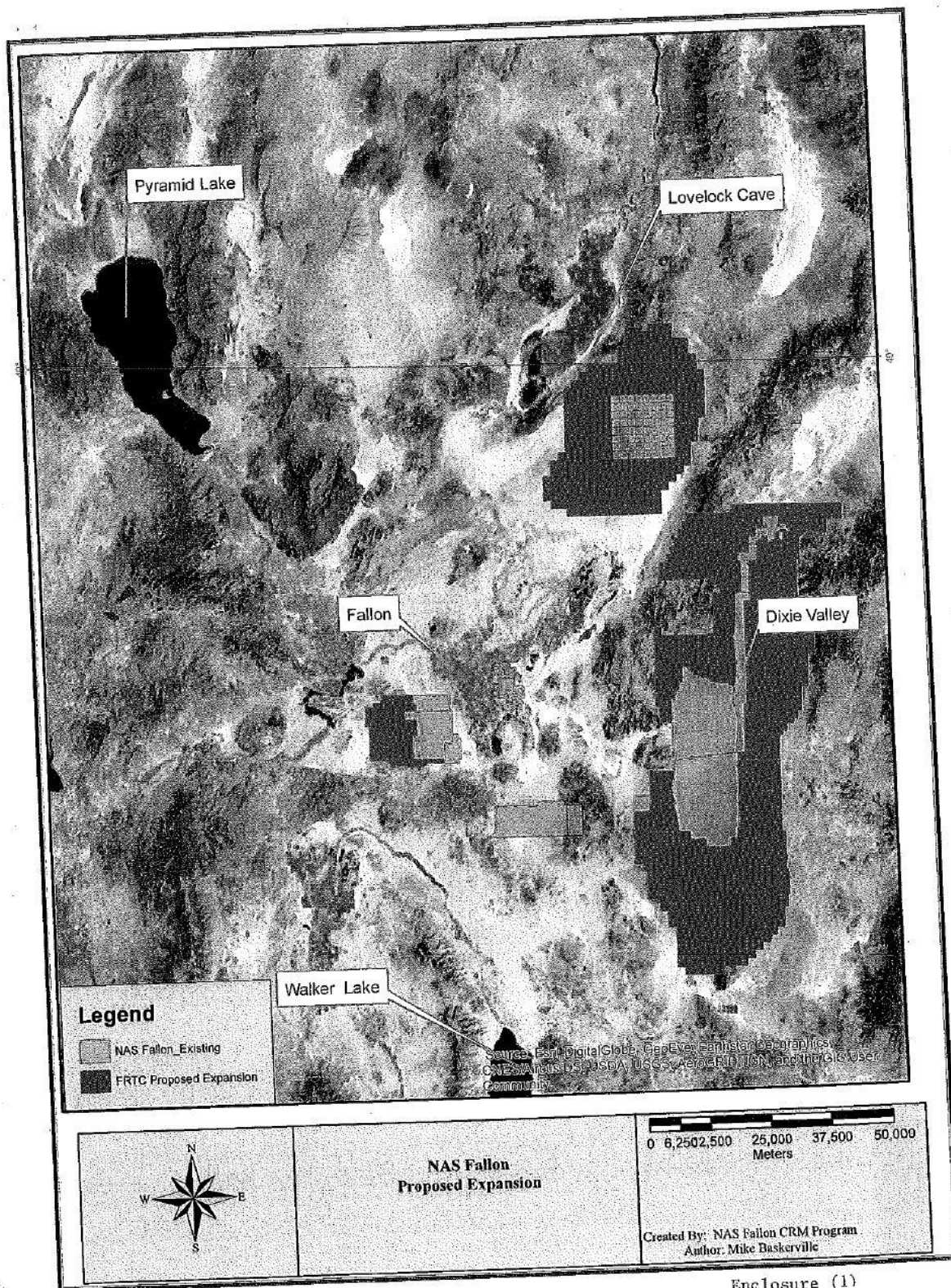
Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1





DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable David Decker
Chairperson
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, Nevada 89801

Dear Chairperson Decker:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89406-5000

5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable David Decker
Elko Band Council
1750 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Decker:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
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December 26, 2018

The Honorable David Decker
Elko Band Council
1750 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Decker:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

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Austin, NV 89310

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

David Decker
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Decker:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Elko Band Council both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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September 5, 2019

The Honorable David Decker
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Decker:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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September 30, 2019

Davis Gonzalas
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Gonzalas:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

- Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Davis Gonzales
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Gonzales:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

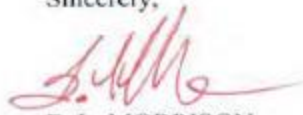
The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:04 PM
To: 'chairman@elkoband.org'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2018
Attachments: Elko Band Council_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Gonzales

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell - 858-373-8748

C.6 Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Len George
Chairman
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Rd.
Fallon, NV 89406-9159

Dear Chairman George,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training-range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the 2015 *Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomics, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCMmodernization.com, or via postal mail to:

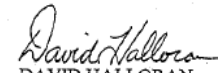
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Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

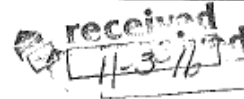
We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



FALLON PAIUTE-SHOSHONE TRIBE



October 24, 2016

Captain David Halloran, Base Commander
Fallon Naval Air Station
4755 Pasture Road
Fallon, NV 89406

Re: Request for Cooperating Agency Status

Dear Captain Halloran:

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 1506.2(b), the purpose of this letter is to request that the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe be granted cooperating agency status in the project **Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization**, for the completion of the environmental assessment and environmental impact statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Pursuant to the regulations implementing NEPA, to which all federal agencies must comply (40 C.F.R. § 1507.1) state and local governments may be granted cooperating agency status (see 40 C.F.R. §§ 1508.16 and 1508.12) or cooperating agency status when the state or local government has "special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved in a proposal (or a reasonable alternative) for legislation or other major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment." 40 D.F.R. §1508.5. In this case, The Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe has special expertise relating to the analysis of the federal agency's proposed decision on the physical environment, custom, culture and local tax base. For example land requested have direct cultural significance and are used by Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribal members for religious and healing purposes. The Stillwater mountain range and surround areas are used by our tribe and surrounding tribes for social gatherings and are used in maintaining our way of life as our ancestors have for centuries clear up to our present day. Restricting access of specific areas for healings lands, plants, roots and animals significantly affect the way of life for the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe Reservation and Colony.

Additionally, according to the regulations, federal agencies shall cooperate to the fullest extent possible with State and local agencies. The regulations specifically state:

- (b) Agencies shall cooperate with State and local agencies to the fullest extent possible to reduce duplication between NEPA and state and local requirements, unless the agencies are specifically barred from doing so by some other law... such cooperation shall to be the fullest extent possible include:
- (1) Joint planning processes.
 - (2) Joint environmental research studies.
 - (3) Joint public hearings (except where otherwise provided by statute).
 - (4) Joint environmental assessments.

- (c) Agencies shall cooperate with State and local agencies to the fullest extent possible to reduce duplication between NEPA and comparable State and local requirements, unless the agencies are specifically barred from doing so by some other law. Except for cases covered by paragraph (a) of this sections, such cooperation shall to the fullest extent possible include joint environmental impact statements. In such cases one or more Federal agencies and one or more State or local agencies shall joint lead agencies. Where State laws or local ordinances have environmental impact statement requirements in addition to but not in conflict with those in NEPA, Federal agencies shall cooperate in fulfilling these requirements as well as those of Federal laws so that one document will comply with all applicable laws.
- (d) To better integrate environmental impact statements into State or local planning processes, statements shall discuss any inconsistency of a proposed action with any approved State or local plan and laws (whether or not federally sanctioned). Where an inconsistency exists, the statement should describe the extent to which the agency would reconcile its proposed action with the plan or law.

40 C.F.R. § 1506.2(b)(c)(d).

Thus, to ensure that the federal agency fully and adequately considers the effect of its proposed decision on the physical environment, customs, culture and tax base of the citizens of the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe of the Fallon Reservation and Colony, County, Churchill requests to be named as a cooperating agency, point of contact for all information and correspondence to be sent to Chairman Len George, 565 Rio Vista Drive, Fallon, NV 89406. Phone number (775) 423-6075. E-mail address is chairman@FPST.ORG.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,



Len George, Chairman
Fallon Business Council



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Len George
Chairperson
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Dr
Fallon, NV 89406-9159

Dear Chairperson George,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
4755 PASTURE ROAD BL 307
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ms. Donna Cossette
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Dr.
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Ms. Cossette:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapac, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapac@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Frank W. Carroll", is positioned above the typed name.

FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
4755 PASTURE ROAD BL 307
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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30 Nov 16

Ms. Laurie Williams
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Dr.
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Ms. Williams:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "FW Carroll", is positioned above the printed name.

FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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Ms. Sonia Carleto
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Dr.
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Ms. Carleto:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

COMMANDER
UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET
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PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII 96860-3131

IN REPLY REFER TO:
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23 March 2017

Mr. Len George, Chairman
Fallon Business Council
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Drive
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Mr. George:

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR COOPERATING AGENCY STATUS AND
INVITATION TO GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION
FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION,
FALLON, NEVADA

Thank you for your letter of October 24, 2016, requesting that the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe serve as a Cooperating Agency for the Department of the Navy's (Navy's) Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). While the Navy appreciates the Tribe's interest in serving as a Cooperating Agency, we respectfully decline your request. We propose that the Tribe's participation in the development of the FRTC EIS will be appropriately and successfully realized through a government-to-government (G2G) consultation process. The Navy expects the G2G consultation for the FRTC EIS to be both continuing and comprehensive, occurring for the duration of the National Environmental Policy Act environmental planning process.

Through the Naval Air Station (NAS) Fallon Commanding Officer and his staff, the Navy looks forward to conducting this consultation with the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe. The NAS Fallon staff point of contact for this consultation is Mr. Mike Baskerville, Cultural Resources Program Manager, michael.c.baskerville@navy.mil, (775) 426-3027. Mr. Baskerville may be reached directly by email or phone to discuss the consultation. The U.S. Pacific Fleet EIS Program Manager is Mr. Alex Stone, alexander.stone@navy.mil, (619) 545-8128.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "L. M. Foster". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

L. M. FOSTER
By direction

Copy to:
Chief of Naval Operations (N454)
Commander, Navy Region Southwest (N40)
Commander, Navy Facilities Engineering Command, Southwest (N45)
Commander, Naval Aviation Warfighting Development Center (N00)
Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Fallon (N00)



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5090
Ser N0000CF/0092
June 9, 2017

Len George
Chairman
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Rd.
Fallon, NV 89406-9159

Dear Chairman George,

SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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July 5, 2017

Len George
Chairman
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Rd.
Fallon, NV 89406-9159

Dear Chairman George,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

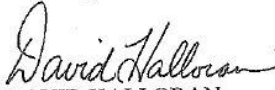
The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

RECORD OWNER: Len George
RECORD DATE: 7/5/17
DISPOSE OF DATE: N/A
TIER LEVEL: IV

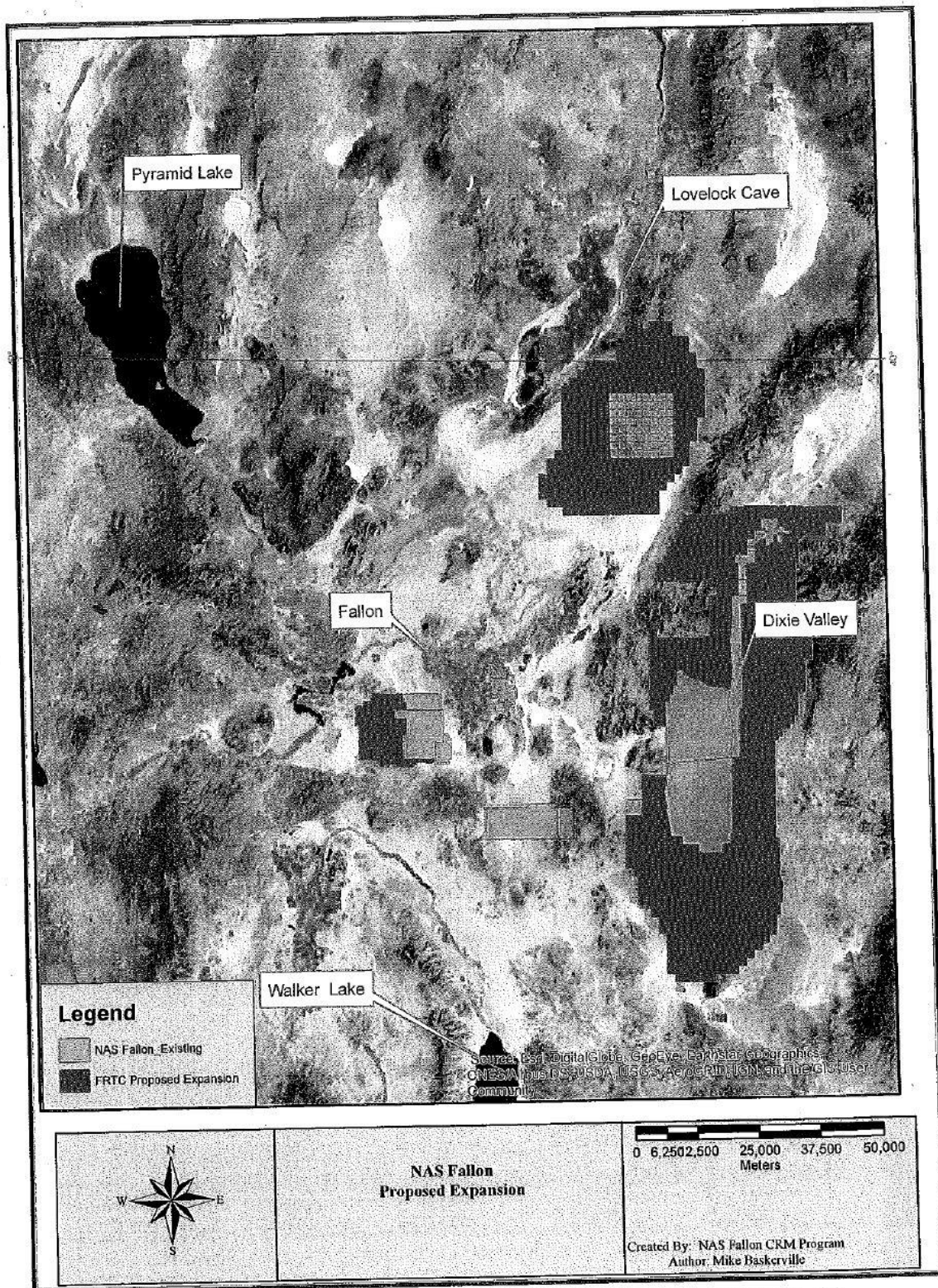
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



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November 28, 2017

Mr. Len George
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Rd
Fallon, NV 89406-9159

Dear Chairman George:

SUBJECT: CULTURAL INVENTORY RESULTS PROPOSED FRTC EXPANSION

Enclosed for your information and comment is a report entitled A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory of 14,062 Acres for the Proposed Land Withdrawal for Naval Air (NAS) Fallon, Churchill, Mineral, and Nye Counties, Nevada.

The inventory was conducted on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District-Stillwater Field Office (12,643.5 acres), Bureau of Reclamation-Mid-Pacific Region (1,231.8 acres), Department of Defense-NAS Fallon (45.7 acres), and private lands (141.0 acres). The inventories were conducted to identify cultural resources located within proposed target and maneuver areas associated with Alternative 1 of the proposed NAS Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

A total of 202 archaeological sites were newly recorded or updated as part of the current project (146 prehistoric, 38 historic, and 18 multicomponent).

The information contained within the report will be used to assess the impact of the actions associated with Alternative 1 (the "Proposed Action" as announced in August 2016). Please note that we are currently conducting further surveys to supplement this report with respect to Alternative 1, and that additional survey work may be required in the event that a different or modified alternative is ultimately identified in the EIS as the Navy's preferred alternative. Thus we may subsequently be providing additional information for your review; however, since this report provides the cultural resource information we have collected thus far, we would greatly appreciate your review of the report at this time. Accordingly, we ask that you please complete your review and provide any comments by January 6, 2018.

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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at
(775)426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL T. KLAPEC, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Manager
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. Cultural Resource Inventory



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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Len George
Chairperson
Fallon-Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Dr.
Fallon, NV 89406-9159

Dear Chairperson George:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) PDEIS Comment Matrix Instructions

This letter is to formally invite you to review the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, the information is protected until such time it is released to the public. As stated in the Non-Disclosure Certificate, information directly or indirectly reviewed or discussed during the FRTC EIS process will not be divulged to unauthorized persons or entities.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Instructions for submitting PDEIS comments are attached and will be provided on the website. **The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018.** Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

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- Click on the Comment Matrix to download it onto your computer. Instructions for completing the Comment Matrix are attached, and are available in the PDEIS folder in the E-Repository.

Please email the completed comment matrix to Amy Kelley at amy.p.kelley@navy.mil by June 15, 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



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5090
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July 10, 2018

The Honorable Len George
Chairman
Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Dr.
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Chairman George:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION SENSITIVE
PROPERTIES CONSULTATION

The Department of the Navy (Navy) would like to thank you for your Tribe's participation in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Cooperating Agency/Tribal Participant meetings. The Navy realizes that these meetings may not have been the optimal place to discuss information related to potential impacts to culturally sensitive sites.

In order to account for impacts to culturally sensitive sites within preparation of National Environmental Policy Act and National Historic Preservation Act analysis and documentation, the Navy proposes to have a meeting with the tribal government, cultural committee, elders, and any interested individual tribal members who may have information related to the location of sensitive sites within the Area of Potential Effect (APE) associated with this undertaking (See Enclosure). At the meeting the Navy would also present information it has previously collected through background research and ask those present to offer any comments they might have on such information, with respect to accuracy, relevance, completeness.

The Navy is proposing to have the meeting on July 25, 2018. Please coordinate directly with Mike Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil as to whether the proposed date would be convenient for the Tribe, and in terms of arranging a time and location.

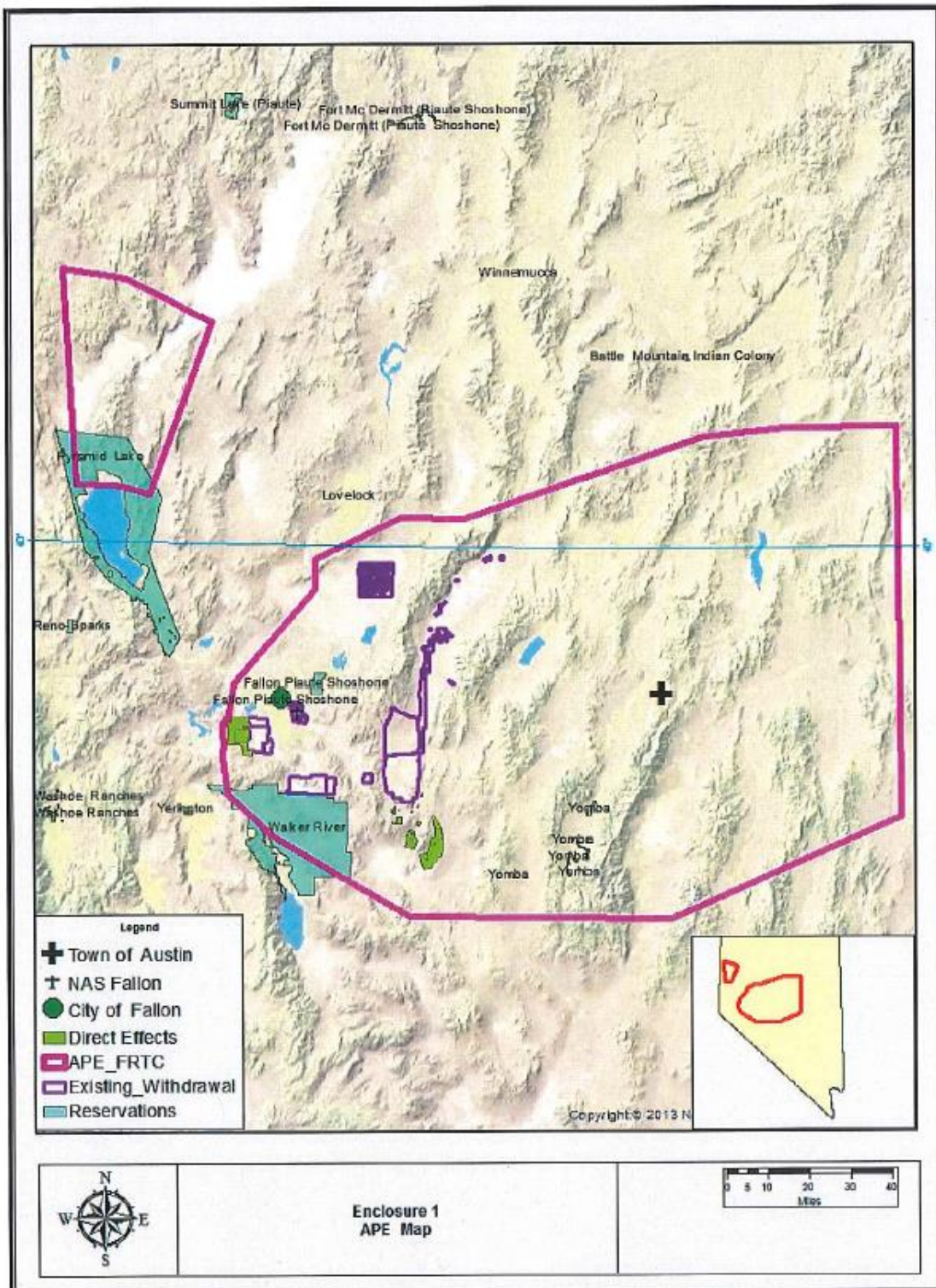
Sincerely,

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Michael T. Klapec, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Director
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosure: Map of FRTC APE

Copy to: Mike Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon



From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: chairmanassist@fjst.org
Cc: [Kelley, Amy P CIV NAVFAC SW, FJSD](#); [Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD](#)
Subject: Sensitive Sites Discussion
Date: Wednesday, July 25, 2018 13:49:00

Dear Chairman George: on July 10, 2018 a letter requesting a meeting to discuss the location of sensitive or important cultural sites was sent to the Tribes from NAS Fallon. Having this discussion is important to analyzing the impacts to cultural properties that may be directly or indirectly effected by the proposed Fallon Range Modernization Project. I realize that this is just one of many concerns for the tribe; however, the Navy would like the opportunity to present what information it has and to gather any additional information required to make and accurate affects assessment.

The letter that was sent suggested a meeting date of July 25, 2018; however, as that is today that is not going to be possible. Is there a date in that would work for the tribe to meet with the Navy discuss this issue?

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

(775) 426-3027

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: ssmanager@fpst.org
Subject: Fallon Cultural Resource Inventory
Date: Tuesday, August 14, 2018 16:23:00

Vice Chairman Mori: The electronic file transfer system used by the military is currently down. I will drop off a DVD containing the FRTC Class III Cultural Inventory at the Tribal Headquarters tomorrow. Is there anybody you would like me to specifically give it to?

Sincerely

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

(775) 426-3027

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Yvonne Mori](#)
Subject: RE: Fallon Cultural Resource Inventory
Date: Wednesday, August 15, 2018 13:26:00

Will do.

Mike Baskerville
Cultural Resource Program Manager
NAS Fallon
michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil
(775) 426-3027

-----Original Message-----

From: Yvonne Mori <ssmanager@fpst.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 15, 2018 11:56 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Fallon Cultural Resource Inventory

Just give it to Vanessa at the front desk and tell her it's for me and to put it in my council box.

Thank You

Yvonne Mori

Vice Chairman/Stepping Stones Director

Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe

775-423-1132 (ph)

775-423-3503 (fx)

From: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW [<mailto:michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 14, 2018 4:25 PM
To: Yvonne Mori <ssmanager@fpst.org>
Subject: Fallon Cultural Resource Inventory

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Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

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(775) 426-3027

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Yvonne Mori](#)
Subject: Report
Date: Thursday, August 30, 2018 15:20:00

Vice Chairman Mori: at our last meeting you requested a copy of the report that was completed late last year related to the proposed expansion of the Fallon Range Training Complex. NAS Fallon had some internal security software issues that delayed delivery of that report. However, the Navy was successful in downloading the files to the AMERDEC file sharing service on the 27th of this month. The files are waiting for the tribe to download them. They will remain in the service until the 6th of September.

Back when we met on the 14th I provided a map and asked the Tribal Representatives to draw in sensitive sites not shown on the map. I was wondering if the map was ready to be picked up?

Sincerely

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

(775) 426-3027



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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Len George
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Dr.
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Chairperson George:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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December 26, 2018

The Honorable Len George
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Drive
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Chairperson George:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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March 28, 2019

Len George
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
565 Rio Vista Rd.
Fallon, NV 89406-9159

Dear Chairman George:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



FALLON PAIUTE-SHOSHONE TRIBE

April 29, 2019

Captain E.L. Morrison
Mr. Mike Baskerville
Department of the Navy
Naval Air Station Fallon
4755 Pasture Road
Fallon, NV 89496

RE: NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement

Dear Captain Morrison and Mr. Baskerville,

Thank you for your March 28, 2019 letter notifying the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe that the Navy plans to prepare a programmatic agreement (PA) in coordination with the proposed expansion of the Naval Air Station Fallon. While the Tribe remains opposed to the proposed massive withdrawal of public lands and desecration of ancestral Tribal lands and cultural sites through military training, the Tribe will consider the draft PA you put forward.

To ensure a fruitful discussion on the PA, the Tribe encourages you to review the written comments we have previously submitted on this project, and to obtain and review written notes from in-person meetings with Tribal representatives (the Tribe is also awaiting production of these written notes, as repeatedly promised by NAS Fallon representatives, and would appreciate copies). In these written and oral comments, the Tribe explained that the lands in question are of paramount importance to the Tribe's history, culture, and religion, and that the Navy's proposed action would permanently and irreparably harm the Tribe and its past, present, and future members. Given the devastating significance of the proposed expansion to the Tribe, the Tribe requests to be an invited signatory to any proposed agreement intending to resolve adverse effects under the National Historic Preservation Act. *See* 36 CFR § 800.6(c)(2)(ii).

The Tribe has also repeatedly and clearly stated that meaningful consultation in compliance with the Navy's trust obligations to the Tribe, the National Historic Preservation Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act requires careful field survey of all the proposed expansion areas by members of the affected Tribes. As explained in 36 CFR § 800.2(c)(2)(ii), the agency must "consult with any Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization that attaches religious and cultural significance to historic properties that may be affected by an undertaking," and such consultation must be carried out in "a sensitive manner respectful of tribal sovereignty" and "the concerns and needs of the Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization." The size of the proposal does not in any way diminish the Navy's obligation to make all reasonable efforts necessary to identify and evaluate traditional cultural properties.

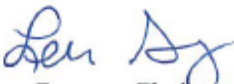
Following the survey(s), the Tribe proposes exclusion of significant cultural sites from the expansion and guaranteed, regular access to any remaining expansion areas such that Tribal members may carry out traditional cultural, spiritual, and medicinal practices.

Your letter identifies a phased approach to identification and evaluation of cultural properties, referencing 36 C.F.R. § 800.4(b)(2). The cited regulation does not allow the Navy to delay identification and evaluation of traditional cultural properties until after Congressional review of expansion. Under that regulation, any delay of evaluation of identified sites is only appropriate to the extent that the agency cannot know the specific activities proposed in the area of potential effect or the agency is presently excluded from the area of potential effect. Neither of these circumstances are present in this instance. The DEIS specifies which training activities would occur and where under each alternative, and identification and evaluation of traditional cultural properties must occur before the project moves forward. Moreover, even under a phased approach, as a first step the agency must “establish the presence of historic properties within the area of potential effects for each alternative...through background research, **consultation and an appropriate level of field investigation.**” *Id.* (emphasis added). This evaluation must take into account the “views of the SHPO/THPO and any other consulting parties,” which includes the Tribe and other affected Tribes. Thus, full identification, evaluation, and protection of traditional cultural properties must occur for all alternatives proposed, before selection of a final alternative and presentation of that alternative to Congress.

Finally, the PA should include the Bureau of Land Management and other federal agencies that presently manage the areas planned for expansion. BLM has extensive mapping of traditional cultural properties and experience consulting with the affected Tribes. Review of BLM’s and other agency’s materials is required as part of the research, identification, and evaluation of sites.

We look forward to further discussions on these important matters.

Sincerely,



Len George, Chairman
Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe

cc: Rochanne Downs, Acting Cultural Resource Director



FALLON PAIUTE-SHOSHONE TRIBE

August 21, 2019

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Re: Request for Consultation and Supplemental Comments on the Draft EIS for Fallon
Training Range Complex Modernization EIS

Captain Morrison, Ms. Kelley, Mr. Baskerville, and Mr. Bethke:

I write to you on behalf of the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe (the Tribe). This letter responds to recent developments in the Navy's analysis of impacts of the proposed expansion of Naval Air Station Fallon, and supplements previous comments and materials submitted by the Tribe regarding the proposed expansion.

The Tribe requests that the Navy consider these comments in preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Statement and evaluation of alternatives, based on the ongoing duty to consult with the Tribe on a government-to-government basis. The Tribe also requests that these supplemental comments be considered as part of ongoing analysis under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 54 U.S.C. §300101 *et seq.* (NHPA).

The Tribe has previously explained its deep concern that the proposed expansion would renew and greatly expand the impact of NAS Fallon. The withdrawal includes the heart of our aboriginal territory that includes many of our traditional hunting, gathering and sacred places that the Tribe has expressed to the Navy representatives continually at every meeting. In addition to the adverse impacts to our traditional lifeways, the renewal will harm Tribal members living on and near the Reservation, through the health impacts of frequent flyovers. Expansion will further harm Tribal members by eliminating access to more than 660,000 acres of our homelands and forever damaging sacred sites and traditional cultural properties.

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The areas the Navy proposes for expansion and training with live munitions include but not limited to the Stillwater Range, Dixie Valley, Rawhide Hot Springs, Sand Mountain, Clan Alpines and areas surrounding Fox Peak and the Stillwater Marsh. The Tribe has lived in and continually used these areas for thousands of years, and the area affected includes “Our Mother” and “Our Father,” where the Tribe was created. Since World War II the Navy has used our sacred sites as military targets which included our Mother and Father Stone at the base of Fox Peak as well as Medicine Rock in the middle of BRAVO 20. These sacred sites are the equivalent of the Vatican to Catholics, or Mecca to Muslims. The expanded withdrawal also includes many sacred and confidential burial sites, which are now at risk of bombing. The proposal to use munitions on and near the sites is akin to proposing military training at Arlington National Cemetery. The Navy’s attempt to restrict access to the Tribe’s homelands and destroy them through military training is a shameful perpetuation of the Navy’s long legacy of damaging sacred Tribal resources.

Despite its opposition to expansion, the Tribe has provided concrete and workable mitigation proposals to the Navy, including suggested terms for an MOU which guarantees regular access to cultural sites for Tribal members, and funding and implementation of a cultural resources study prior to withdrawal. The Navy has ignored those suggestions.

As explained further below, the Tribe again requests formal government-to-government consultation with NAS Fallon leadership and development of a programmatic agreement in close cooperation with the Tribe as required by the National Historic Preservation Act and Navy policy. Resolution of adverse effects to traditional cultural properties requires a thorough cultural resources inventory, identification and protection of all sites, and guaranteed regular access for Tribal members. Finally, the Tribe requests that the Navy consider the best available evidence about noise impacts and risks of fire associated with Navy training, and to implement appropriate mitigation to reduce or eliminate those impacts.

Government to government consultation

The Navy is in violation of its consultation obligations including its own protocols. As a federal agency, the Navy has a solemn fiduciary obligation to Indian tribes, which includes the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone. To fulfill its trust duties to the Tribe, the Navy must *inter alia* follow the “American Indian and Alaska Native Policy and Department of Defense Instruction Number 4710.02: DoD Interactions with Federally-Recognized Tribes.” In addition, the Navy must follow “SECNAV INSTRUCTION 11010.14B,” which pertains to the Navy’s trust obligations to federally-recognized Indian tribes, including the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone. Navy policy includes guidance for government-to-government consultation.

The DoD instruction requires government-to-government consultation including “meaningful communication addressing tribal concerns between tribes and military installations at both the tribal leadership-to-installation commander and the tribal staff-to-installation staff levels.” Consultation requires that “DoD must provide affected tribes an opportunity to participate in the decision-making process that will ensure these tribal interests are given due consideration in a manner consistent with tribal sovereign authority,” and timely, good faith communication throughout proposal development.

Navy guidance recognizes that consultation is a recurring requirement, and further specifies that

“[c]onsultations regarding proposed DON actions may include, but are not limited to ground-disturbing activities, construction, training, low level overflights, management of sites with religious or cultural significance, protection of sacred sites, access to sacred sites, access to subsistence and medicinal natural resources, disposition of cultural items ... and land use decisions.” While “formal agreement is not necessary to satisfy consultation requirements,” the Navy “is committed to developing and maintaining long-term working relationships of respect, trust, and cooperation with Indian tribes.”

Unfortunately, the Navy has failed to uphold its trust duties to the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe and is not following DoD or Navy instruction. The new Commander for Naval Air Station Fallon has yet to meet with Fallon Tribal leadership. After a year of diligently commenting and seeking to partner with the Navy in development of cultural resources inventories and an access memorandum of understanding, the Tribe recently learned through a public disclosure request that the Navy has abandoned development of a programmatic agreement with the affected tribes in favor of an agreement with the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office and the Advisory Council on Historic Places that excludes affected tribes. This discovery severely undermines any remaining confidence in the sincerity of the Navy’s consultation efforts.

It is shameful that the Navy has failed to respond to the Tribe’s repeated requests to facilitate a cultural resources inventory of the area proposed for renewal and withdrawal, has failed to present a draft memorandum of agreement for access to cultural sites, and appears to have failed to make use of existing cultural resources inventories held by the Bureau of Land Management and the SHPO. The Navy has asked the Tribe to identify all cultural sites on the more than 660,000 acres affected, with little notice on a desktop-sized map and with no resources made available to assist. In the meetings that have occurred, staff persons have not prepared agendas in advance, have not followed up on any requests, and have not provided meeting notes or minutes as requested. In short, consultation has not been “meaningful” but rather appears to be a cursory effort to fulfill what the Navy appears to view as a bureaucratic checklist.

Given the Navy’s rapid timeline, and instead of further staff-level meetings which have proven to be fruitless, the Tribe requests consultation between the NAS Fallon Commanding Officer and Tribal leadership, explanation of how cultural resources will be adequately identified and protected, and prompt preparation and sharing of a draft programmatic agreement and memorandum of agreement for access to cultural sites.

Consultation under the NHPA

The Navy is currently in violation of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, which requires it to consult with the Tribe prior to any undertaking that “is a type of activity that has the potential to cause effects on historic properties.” 36 CFR § 800.3(a). “Effect means alteration to the characteristics of a historic property qualifying it for inclusion in or eligibility for the National Register.” 36 C.F.R. § 800.16(i). The criteria for inclusion on the National Register are listed at 36 C.F.R. § 60.4. “An adverse effect is found when an undertaking may alter, directly or indirectly, any of the characteristics of a historic property that qualify the property for inclusion in the National Register in a manner that would diminish the integrity of the property’s location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, or association...Adverse effects may include reasonably foreseeable effects caused by the undertaking that may occur

later in time, be farther removed in distance or be cumulative.” 36 C.F.R. § 800.5(a)(1).

The “integrity” of the site includes the ability of a resource to convey its significance through its setting and location. Access to the resource is key to the conveyance of significance. Indeed, the National Park Service, which administers the National Register of Historic Places, states a mission to “protect and provide access to our Nation’s natural and cultural heritage and honor our trust responsibilities to tribes.”¹

Up until very recently, the Navy has taken the correct position that the proposed withdrawal of public lands and associated transfer to the Navy, with associated loss of access and consequence of intensive military training on sacred sites, constitutes an undertaking that triggers Section 106 consultation. The Navy proposed development of a Programmatic Agreement with the Tribe and other parties to fulfill the Navy’s Section 106 duties, and went so far as to promise in writing to provide a draft of such a document by June 2, 2019.

The Navy abruptly reversed course, abandoned the development of a programmatic agreement, and now apparently proposes to amend an existing Programmatic Agreement that does not involve any tribe as a concurring or signatory party. This new approach is unlawful and unacceptable to the Tribe. The withdrawal of public lands removes access for Tribal members to their traditional cultural properties. The lands would change from management by the Bureau of Land Management, with broad public access, to use for military training with associated destructive impacts and limited access. Because access is a key component of the integrity of historic properties, the loss of access is an impact that triggers Section 106 consultation. The Navy may achieve lawful consultation through development of a programmatic agreement with the Tribe or consultation on the undertaking; the Navy may not simply defer its obligations to some unknown later date after withdrawal has occurred.

The Navy should follow its initial plan and negotiate a programmatic agreement in good faith with the Tribe. The agreement should include careful inventory of cultural resources in the Area of Potential Effect, as required by the NHPA. Because the withdrawal involves impacts to sites of cultural, religious, and sacred significance, the Tribe should be consulted and invited to be a signatory to the agreement. 36 C.F.R. § 800.3(c)(2)(ii); 36 CFR § 800.6(c)(2)(ii).

The Tribe notes that even if the 2011 Programmatic Agreement applies, the Navy is not complying with its terms. The agreement requires the Navy to identify the APE, and then perform an inventory of the cultural resources within the APE. The Navy has not conducted such an inventory, nor has it made “reasonable and good faith efforts to timely obtain funds necessary” for an inventory as required by the PA. Where the Navy determines there are impacted cultural resources, it must consult with the SHPO and determine if all impacted resources are eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. If the Navy seeks to amend the 2011 PA, Section X requires that any amendment comply with 36 C.F.R. 800.14(b). 36 CFR 800.14(f) mandates that “[w]hen an agency official proposes a program alternative pursuant to paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section, the agency official shall ensure that development of the program alternative includes appropriate government-to-government consultation with affected Indian tribes and consultation with affected Native Hawaiian

¹ National Register Bulletin, “How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation,” available at https://www.nps.gov/subjects/nationalregister/upload/NRB-15_web508.pdf. (emphasis added).

organizations.” The Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe is an “affected Indian tribe” under this regulation, and must be consulted in the amendment or development of a programmatic agreement. Such consultation has not occurred.

In sum, as the Tribe has repeatedly conveyed to the Navy in meetings, letters, and comments, the area proposed for withdrawal and training is extremely rich in traditional cultural resources and preservation of those resources is of utmost importance to the Tribe. Compliance with the NHPA requires the Navy to perform a careful and thorough cultural resources inventory of the entire area proposed for renewal and expansion, and to involve the Tribe in any programmatic agreement or memorandum of understanding. Resolution of adverse effects will require identification and protection of traditional cultural properties and guaranteed regular access for Tribal members.

Supplemental NEPA comments

The Tribe requests that the Navy consider supplemental comments regarding likely impacts of the proposed renewal, withdrawal, and training.

Fire is a major concern for the Tribe given the generally hot and dry conditions in the region and the Navy’s insistence on training with live munitions. As an example of the risk presented by the Navy’s proposal, the Navy accidentally started the 1999 Sand Springs Fire, which spread to nearby BLM land and eventually burned all of Fairview Mountain. The mountain is a culturally significant area where Tribal members have gathered pine nuts from native pinyon pine trees for generations. The trees were burned in the fire and the Navy made no remediation efforts. The mountain is now covered in invasive plants and a significant cultural resource has been lost. With expanded training and no adequate fire prevention, fighting, or remediation plan in place, the Tribe has grave concern that fire will adversely impact both the training area and adjacent areas. The Tribe requests that the Navy create a detailed fire management plan that includes remediation, and secure funding for its implementation for the entirety of the withdrawal period.

These supplemental comments also incorporate a comment letter submitted by the Washington State Department of Health to the Navy regarding expansion of Growler training on Whidbey Island, Washington. The comments are notable in that they provide expert opinion on the impacts of noise to nearby residents, including both auditory and non-auditory impacts. The comments also recommend that the Navy carry out a health impact assessment which takes into account residents’ actual experiences, rather than simply relying on generalized (and often outdated) research.

While the Growler expansion would take place in a different region and involves somewhat different technology, the deficiencies and concerns noted by the Washington State Department of Health are also issues with the NAS Fallon DEIS. The Tribe requests that the Navy consider the enclosed Washington State Department of Health comments and references as part of the Tribe’s comments on this project, and apply the Washington State Department of Health recommendations to the National Environmental Policy Act and NHPA analysis of NAS Fallon expansion. A health impact assessment is particularly appropriate and necessary given the environmental justice impacts of imposing noise on the Tribal community.

Thank you for your consideration. Please contact me at the address provided or the Tribe's attorney for this matter, Wyatt Golding, at wgolding@ziontzchestnut.com or 206-448-1230, with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Len George, Chairman
Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe

Encl.

CC: Honorable Fallon Business Council
Honorable Nevada Senator Catherine Cortez Masto
Honorable Nevada Senator Jacky Rosen
Honorable Nevada Congressman Mark Amodei
Wyatt Golding, FPST Tribal Attorney
Michael Toombs, FPST Tribal Administrator
Rochanne L. Downs, FPST Cultural Resources



I Mike Baskerville received the letters about the Request for Consultation and Supplemental Comments on the Draft EIS for Fallon Training Range Complex Modernization EIS from the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe on 8/30/19.

Print Signature: Mike Baskerville

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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September 5, 2019

The Honorable Len George
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Dear Chairperson George:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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September 30, 2019

Len George
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Dear Chairman George:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

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Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186
alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

- Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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September 30, 2019

Rochanne Downs
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe
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Dear Ms. Downs:

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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Len George
Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe
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Dear Chairperson George:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:10 PM
To: chairman@fpst.org
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2018
Attachments: Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson George

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Bradley Crutcher
Chairman
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairman Crutcher,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

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- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E. Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCMmodernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Bradley Crutcher
Chairperson
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairperson Crutcher,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapac, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapac@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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June 9, 2017

Bradley Crutcher
Chairman
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairman Crutcher,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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July 5, 2017

Bradley Crutcher
Chairman
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairman Crutcher,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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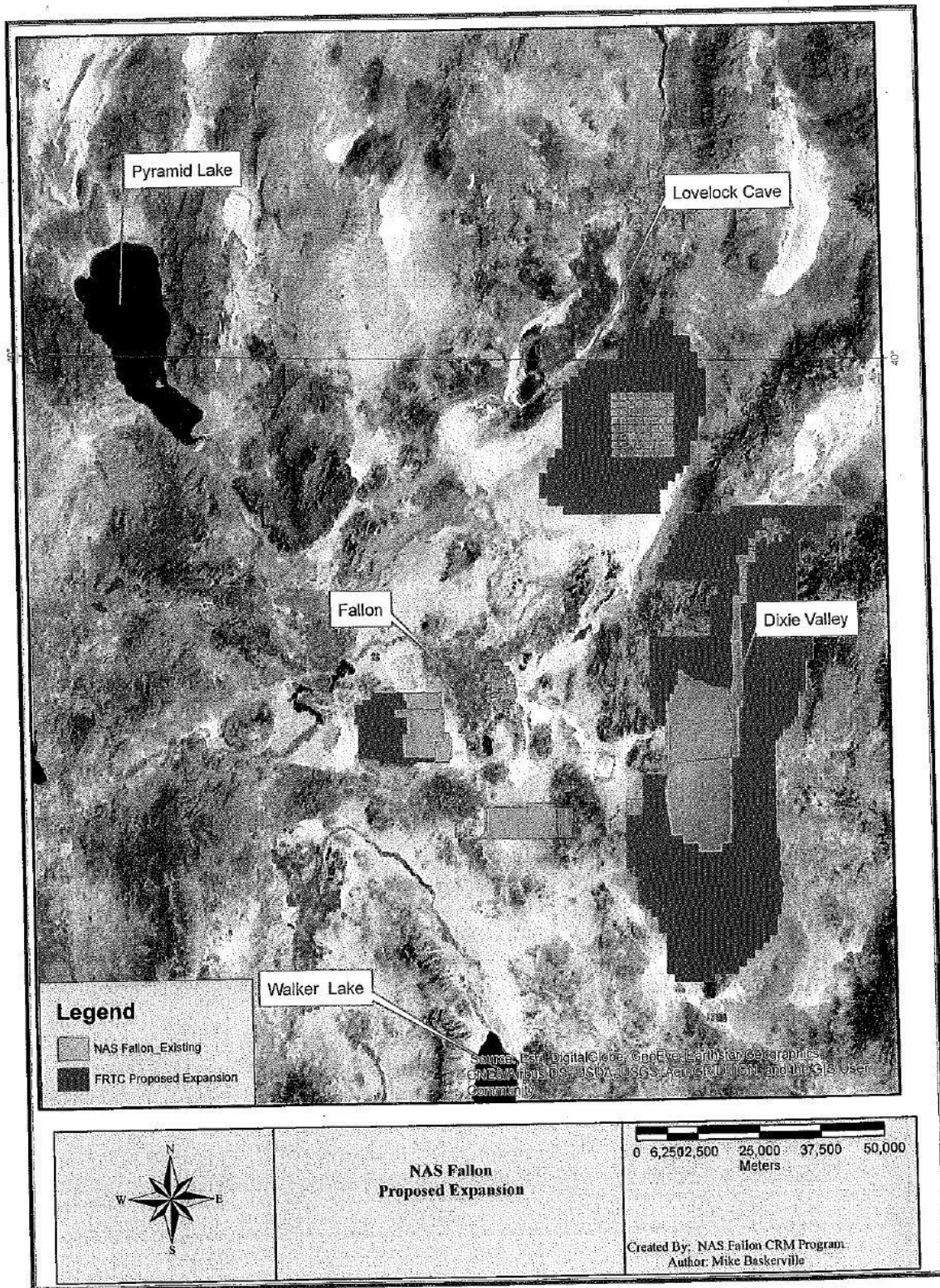
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Tilden Smart
Chairperson
Fort McDermitt and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, Nevada 89421

Dear Chairperson Smart:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN



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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Tildon Smart
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairperson Smart:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

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Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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December 26, 2018

The Honorable Tildon Smart
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairperson Smart:

**SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT**

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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March 28, 2019

Tilden Smart
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairman Smart:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. L. Morrison", is positioned above the printed name.

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



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September 5, 2019

The Honorable Tilden Smart
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Dear Chairperson Smart:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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September 30, 2019

Tilden Smart
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
McDermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairman Smart:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. L. Morrison", is located below the word "Sincerely,".

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Tilden Smart
Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes
P.O. Box 457
Mc Dermitt, NV 89421

Dear Chairperson Smart:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

From: [Rule, Robert M CIV USN \(USA\)](#)
To: tildon.smart@fmpst.org
Cc: [Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW. PWD.FALN](#)
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Date: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:05:08 PM
Attachments: [Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf](#)

Chairperson Smart

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

C.8 Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Wanda Batchelor
Chairwoman
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Executive Board
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairwoman Batchelor,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.

- The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:

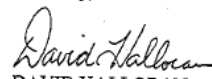
Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Vinton Hawley
President
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Executive Board
680 Greenbrae Dr, Suite 280
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear President Hawley,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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1220 Pacific Highway
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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapac, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapac@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Halloran".

DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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June 9, 2017

Daryl Crawford
Chairman
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Executive Board
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairman Crawford,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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July 5, 2017

Daryl Crawford
Executive Director
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Executive Board
680 Greenbrae Drive, Suite 280
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Mr. Crawford,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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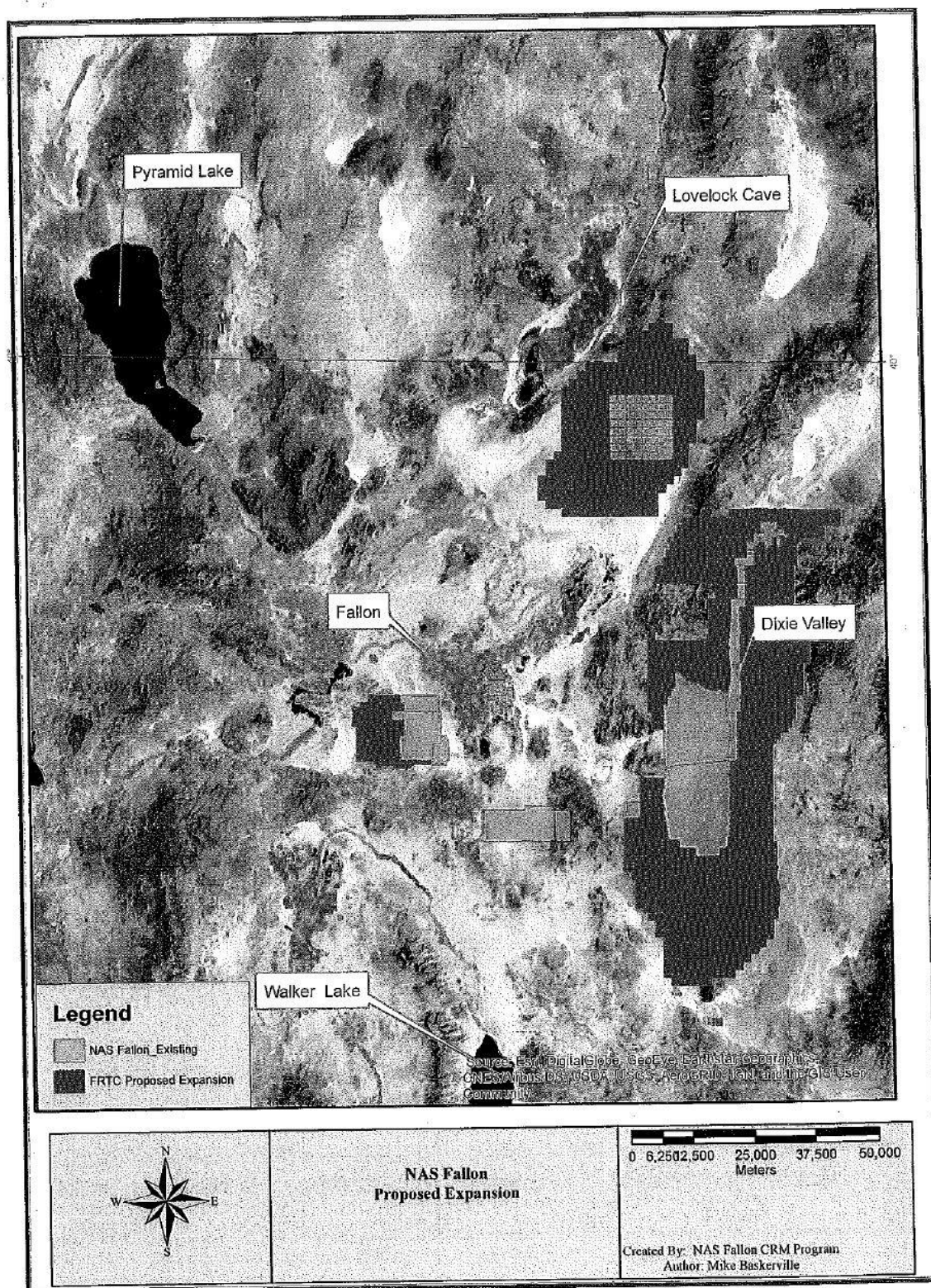
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Daryl Crawford
Chairperson
Inter-Tribal council of Nevada
680 Greenbrae Dr., Suite 280
Sparks, Nevada 89431

Dear Chairperson Crawford:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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November 7, 2018

Mr. Daryl Crawford
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
680 Greenbrae Dr., Suite 265
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Mr. Crawford:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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December 26, 2018

Mr. Daryl Crawford
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
680 Greenbrae Drive, Suite 265
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Mr. Crawford:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

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Code EV21.SG
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San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316


Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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March 28, 2019

Daryl Crawford
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Executive Board
680 Greenbrae Dr., Suite 280
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Director Crawford:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Executive Board both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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September 5, 2019

Mr. Daryl Crawford
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
680 Greenbrae Dr., Suite 280
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Mr. Crawford:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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September 30, 2019

Daryl Crawford
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Executive Board
680 Greenbrae Dr. Suite 280
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Director Crawford:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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December 4, 2019

Daryl Crawford
Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Executive Board
680 Greenbrae Dr., Suite 280
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Mr. Crawford:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:04 PM
To: 'dcrawford@itcn.org'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December, 18, 2019
Attachments: Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Executive Board_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Mr. Crawford

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell - 858-373-8748

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Victor Mann
Chairman
Lovelock Paiute
P.O. Box 878
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairman Mann,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:

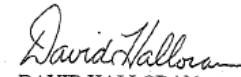
Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Victor Mann
Chairperson
Lovelock Paiute
P.O. Box 878
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Mann,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
4755 PASTURE ROAD BL 307
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ms. Julie Hughes
Lovelock Paiute Tribe
201 Bowean St.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Ms. Hughes:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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30 Nov 16

Ms. Patty Basye
Vice Chairperson, Lovelock Paiute Tribe
P. O. Box 878
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Vice Chairperson Basye:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapac, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapac@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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30 Nov 16

The Honorable Victor Mann
Chairperson, Lovelock Paiute Tribe
P. O. Box 878
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Mann:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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June 9, 2017

Victor Mann
Chairman
Lovelock Paiute
P.O. Box 878
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairman Mann,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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July 5, 2017

Victor Mann
Chairman
Lovelock Paiute
201 Bowean Street
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairman Mann,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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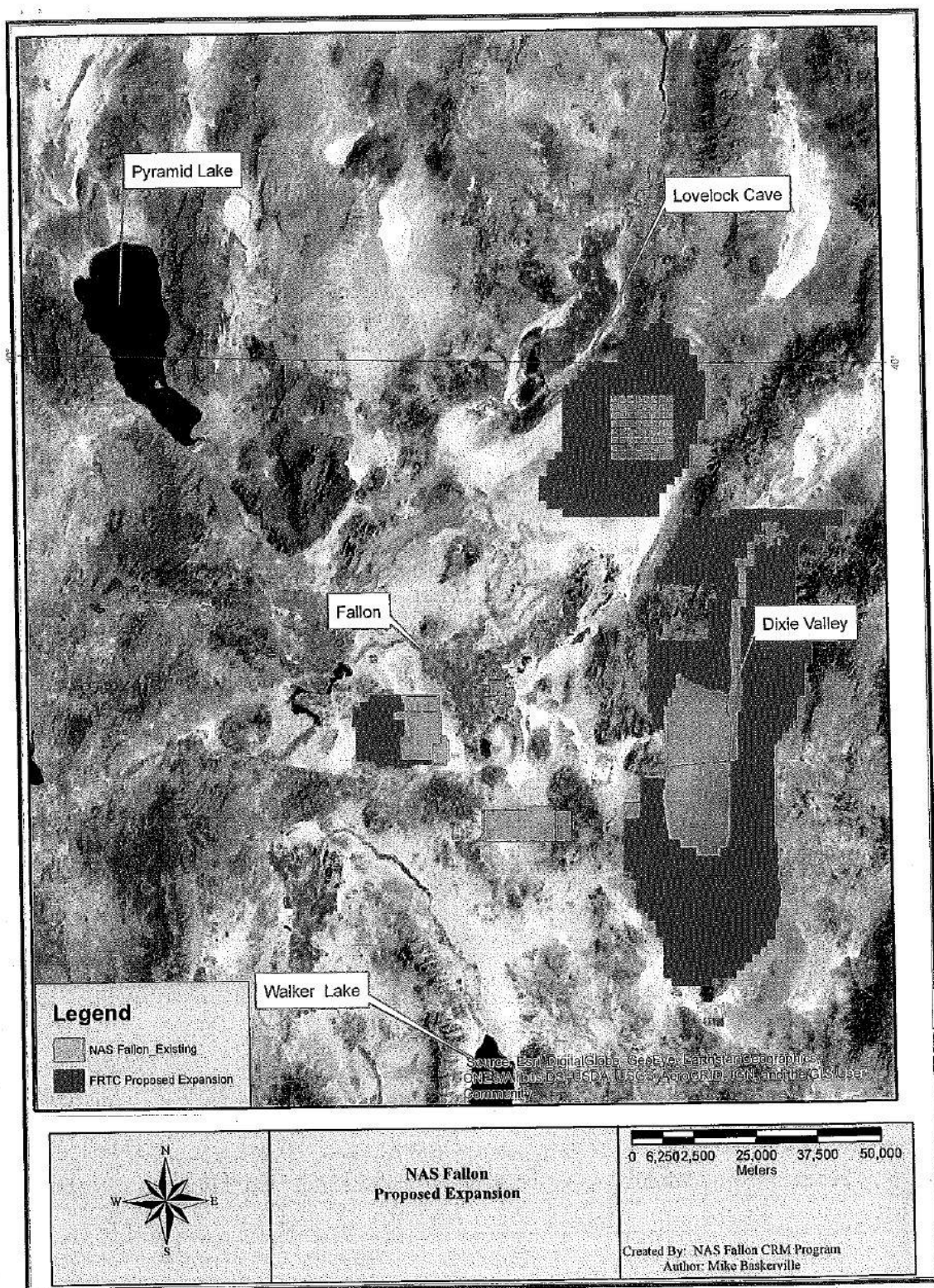
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Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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November 28, 2017

Ms. Stephanie Rhodes
Lovelock Paiute Tribe
201 Bowean Street
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairman Rhodes:

SUBJECT: CULTURAL INVENTORY RESULTS PROPOSED FRTC EXPANSION

Enclosed for your information and comment is a report entitled A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory of 14,062 Acres for the Proposed Land Withdrawal for Naval Air (NAS) Fallon, Churchill, Mineral, and Nye Counties, Nevada.

The inventory was conducted on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District- Stillwater Field Office (12,643.5 acres), Bureau of Reclamation-Mid-Pacific Region (1,231.8 acres), Department of Defense-NAS Fallon (45.7 acres), and private lands (141.0 acres). The inventories were conducted to identify cultural resources located within proposed target and maneuver areas associated with Alternative 1 of the proposed NAS Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

A total of 202 archaeological sites were newly recorded or updated as part of the current project (146 prehistoric, 38 historic, and 18 multicomponent).

The information contained within the report will be used to assess the impact of the actions associated with Alternative 1 (the "Proposed Action" as announced in August 2016). Please note that we are currently conducting further surveys to supplement this report with respect to Alternative 1, and that additional survey work may be required in the event that a different or modified alternative is ultimately identified in the EIS as the Navy's preferred alternative. Thus we may subsequently be providing additional information for your review; however, since this report provides the cultural resource information we have collected thus far, we would greatly appreciate your review of the report at this time. Accordingly, we ask that you please complete your review and provide any comments by January 6, 2018.

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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at
(775)426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL T. KLAPEC, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Manager
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. Cultural Resource Inventory



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Victor Mann
Chairperson
Lovelock Paiute
201 Bowean St.
Lovelock, Nevada 89419

Dear Chairperson Mann:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

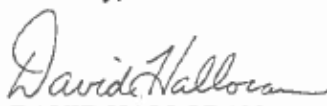
Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Victor Mann
Lovelock Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 878
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Mann:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Victor Mann
Lovelock Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 878
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Mann:

**SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT**

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin, NV 89310

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Reno, NV 89501

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Eureka, NV 89316

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovejoy, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

Stephanie Rhodes
Lovelock Paiute Tribe
201 Bowean St.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Rhodes:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Lovelock Paiute Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Stephanie Rhodes
Lovelock Paiute
P.O. Box 801
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Rhodes:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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September 30, 2019

Stephanie Rhodes
Lovelock Paiute
P.O. Box 801
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Rhodes:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Stephanie Rhodes
Lovelock Paiute
P.O. Box 801
Lovelock, NV 89419

Dear Chairperson Rhodes:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:06 PM
To: 'chair@lovelocktribe.com'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Lovelock Paiute_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Rhodes

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

C.10 Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Vinton Hawley
Chairman
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairman Hawley,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

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- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

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The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Vinton Hawley
Chairperson
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairperson Hawley,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
4755 PASTURE ROAD BL. 307
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ms. Donna Marie Noel
Environmental Director, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P. O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Ms. Noel:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "FW Carroll", is positioned above the printed name.

FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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5090
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June 9, 2017

Vinton Hawley
Chairman
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairman Hawley,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Halloran".
DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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July 5, 2017

Vinton Hawley
Chairman
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairman Hawley,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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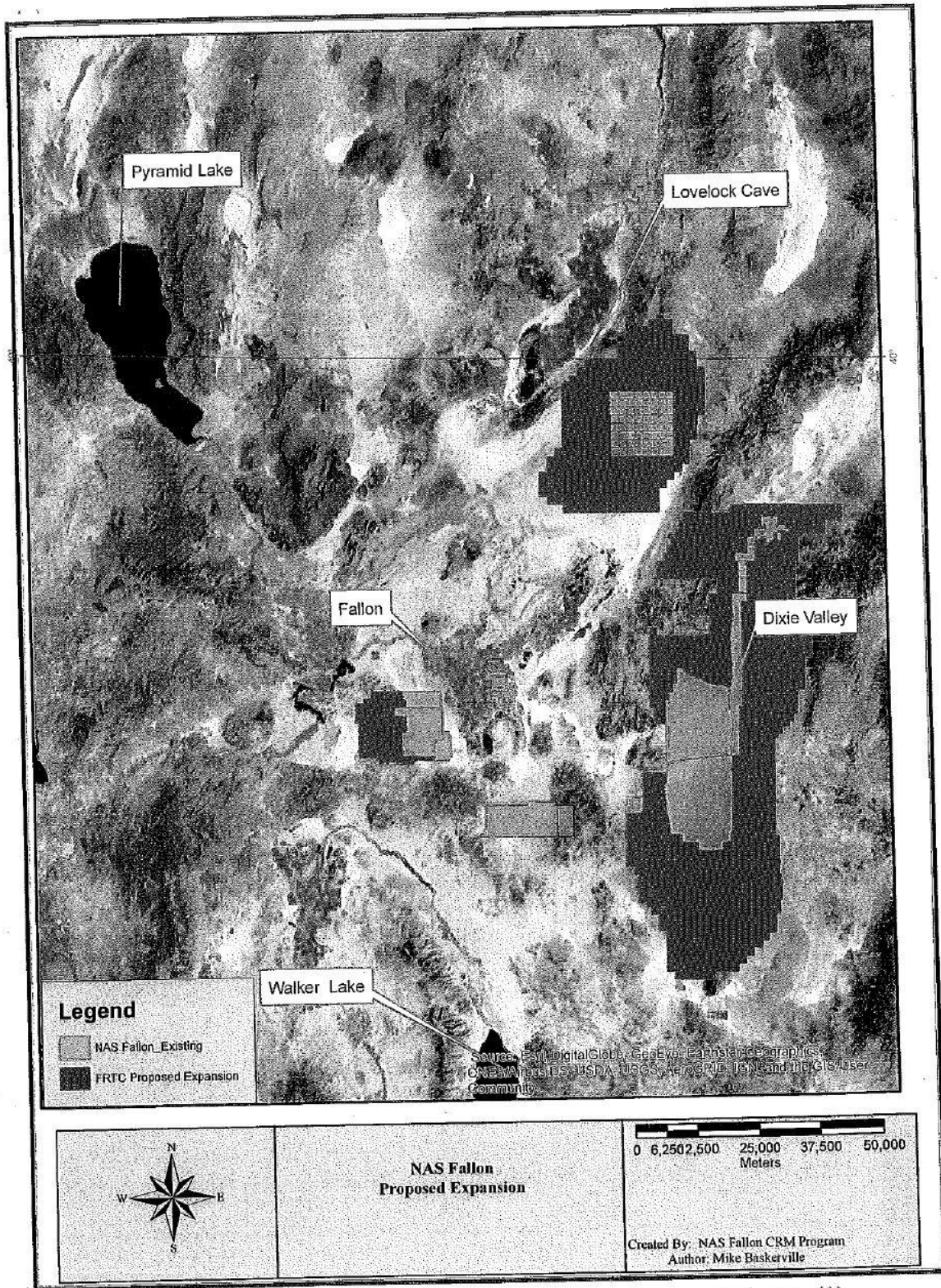
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



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November 28, 2017

Mr. Vinton Hawley
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairman Hawley:

SUBJECT: CULTURAL INVENTORY RESULTS PROPOSED FRTC EXPANSION

Enclosed for your information and comment is a report entitled A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory of 14,062 Acres for the Proposed Land Withdrawal for Naval Air (NAS) Fallon, Churchill, Mineral, and Nye Counties, Nevada.

The inventory was conducted on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District- Stillwater Field Office (12,643.5 acres), Bureau of Reclamation-Mid-Pacific Region (1,231.8 acres), Department of Defense-NAS Fallon (45.7 acres), and private lands (141.0 acres). The inventories were conducted to identify cultural resources located within proposed target and maneuver areas associated with Alternative 1 of the proposed NAS Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

A total of 202 archaeological sites were newly recorded or updated as part of the current project (146 prehistoric, 38 historic, and 18 multicomponent).

The information contained within the report will be used to assess the impact of the actions associated with Alternative 1 (the "Proposed Action" as announced in August 2016). Please note that we are currently conducting further surveys to supplement this report with respect to Alternative 1, and that additional survey work may be required in the event that a different or modified alternative is ultimately identified in the EIS as the Navy's preferred alternative. Thus we may subsequently be providing additional information for your review; however, since this report provides the cultural resource information we have collected thus far, we would greatly appreciate your review of the report at this time. Accordingly, we ask that you please complete your review and provide any comments by January 6, 2018.

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(775)426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL T. KLAPEC, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Manager
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. Cultural Resource Inventory

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Olivia A. John](#)
Subject: RE: FRTC Meeting
Date: Friday, April 13, 2018 7:32:00

Olivia: Yes, meet me in the child care parking lot at 0730. The parking lot is located in the base housing area, directly across from the main entrance to the base. The lot is located on your left as you enter the housing area. If you have a problem my cell number is 775 482-4397.

Mike Baskerville
Cultural Resource Program Manager
NAS Fallon
michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil
(775) 426-3027

-----Original Message-----

From: Olivia A. John [<mailto:oajohn@plpt.nsn.us>]
Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2018 7:24 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] FRTC Meeting

Good Morning,

I will be attending the meeting on the 17th. Should I meet you outside the gates to be escorted in?

Olivia John

Water Quality Standards Specialist

Natural Resources Department

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

P.O. Box 256

Nixon, NV 89424

P: (775) 574-0101 Ext. 13

oajohn@plpt.nsn.us <<mailto:oajohn@plpt.nsn.us>>

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Olivia A. John](#)
Subject: RE: FRTC Meeting
Date: Monday, April 16, 2018 11:46:00

Good Morning Olivia: I don't have a formal agenda with times. I do however a list of topics that will be discussed.

- Recapitulation of last meeting and where we are in the schedule
- Update "Managed Access" criteria – hunting, grazing, and minerals
- Transportation update (including I-11)
- Cultural Resources Overview and Inventory update
- Socioeconomic Study – discussion of methodology
- Process for Commenting on Preliminary Draft EIS Version 2

Hope this helps.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Olivia A. John [<mailto:oaajohn@plpt.nsn.us>]
Sent: Monday, April 16, 2018 7:47 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re: FRTC Meeting

Good Morning,

Can you send me the updated agenda please? Thanks so much.

Olivia John

Water Quality Standards Specialist

Natural Resources Department

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----- Original message -----

From: "Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW" <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Date: 4/13/18 7:33 AM (GMT-08:00)
To: "Olivia A. John" <oajohn@plpt.nsn.us>
Subject: RE: FRTC Meeting

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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Vinton Hawley
Chairperson
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, Nevada 89424

Dear Chairperson Hawley:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) PDEIS Comment Matrix Instructions

This letter is to formally invite you to review the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, the information is protected until such time it is released to the public. As stated in the Non-Disclosure Certificate, information directly or indirectly reviewed or discussed during the FRTC EIS process will not be divulged to unauthorized persons or entities.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Instructions for submitting PDEIS comments are attached and will be provided on the website. **The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018.** Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

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- Click on the Comment Matrix to download it onto your computer. Instructions for completing the Comment Matrix are attached, and are available in the PDEIS folder in the E-Repository.

Please email the completed comment matrix to Amy Kelley at amy.p.kelley@navy.mil by June 15, 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



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July 10, 2018

The Honorable Vinton Hawley
Chairman
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
PO Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairman Hawley:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION SENSITIVE
PROPERTIES CONSULTATION

The Department of the Navy (Navy) would like to thank you for your Tribe's participation in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Cooperating Agency/Tribal Participant meetings. The Navy realizes that these meetings may not have been the optimal place to discuss information related to potential impacts to culturally sensitive sites.

In order to account for impacts to culturally sensitive sites within preparation of National Environmental Policy Act and National Historic Preservation Act analysis and documentation, the Navy proposes to have a meeting with the tribal government, cultural committee, elders, and any interested individual tribal members who may have information related to the location of sensitive sites within the Area of Potential Effect (APE) associated with this undertaking (See Enclosure). At the meeting the Navy would also present information it has previously collected through background research and ask those present to offer any comments they might have on such information, with respect to accuracy, relevance, completeness.

The Navy is proposing to have the meeting on July 31, 2018. Please coordinate directly with Mike Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil as to whether the proposed date would be convenient for the Tribe, and in terms of arranging a time and location.

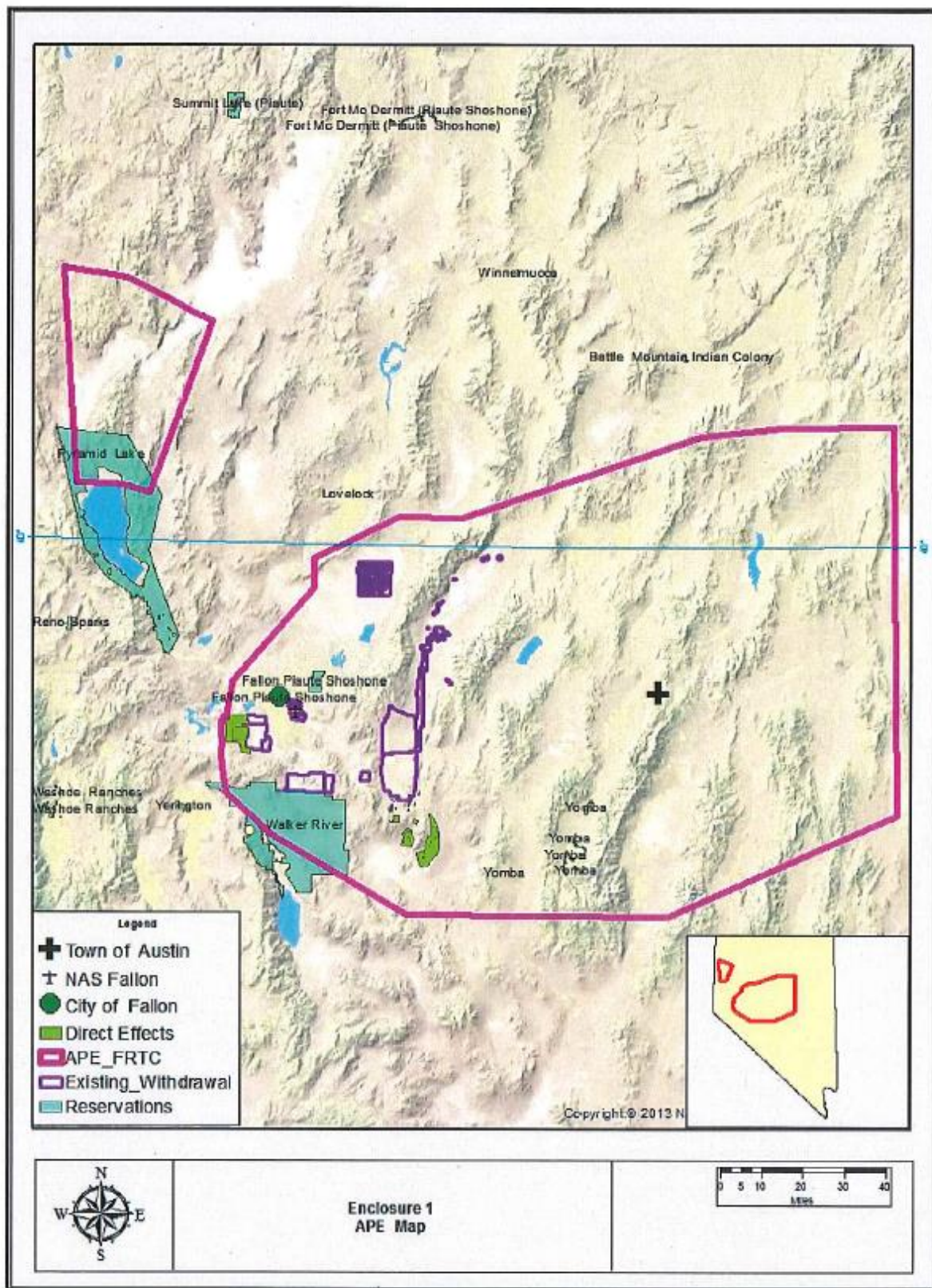
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MK", is written over a horizontal line.

Michael T. Klapac, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Director
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosure: Map of FRTC APE

Copy to: Mike Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon



From: [Baskerville, Michael C CTV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: yhawley@plpt.nsn.us
Subject: Sensitive Sites Meeting NAS Fallon Range Modernization Project
Date: Wednesday, July 25, 2018 14:03:00

Dear Chairman Hawley: on July 10, 2018 a letter requesting a meeting to discuss the location of sensitive or important cultural sites was sent to the Tribes from NAS Fallon. Having this discussion is important to analyzing the impacts to cultural properties that may be directly or indirectly effected by the proposed Fallon Range Modernization Project. I realize that this is just one of many concerns for the tribe; however, the Navy would like the opportunity to present what information it has and to gather any additional information required to make and accurate affects assessment.

The letter that was sent suggested a meeting date of July 31, 2018; however, that will not be possible because of a conflicting meeting with another tribe to discuss this issue. Is there a date in that would work for the tribe to meet with the Navy discuss this subject?

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

(775) 426-3027

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Donna Noel](#)
Subject: RE: Tribal Sensitive Sites
Date: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 14:00:00

Thanks Donna, see you then.

Mike Baskerville
Cultural Resource Program Manager
NAS Fallon
michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil
(775) 426-3027

-----Original Message-----

From: Donna Noel <DNoel@plpt.nsn.us>
Sent: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 1:41 PM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Cc: Environmental Assistant <envassistant@plpt.nsn.us>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Tribal Sensitive Sites

Hi Mike,

Yes the IDT team will be meeting on September 11, 2018 at 9:00. The location is the Natural Resources building conference room in Nixon Nevada. I have you on the agenda.

Thanks

Donna

From: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW [<mailto:michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 1:38 PM
To: Donna Noel
Cc: Kelley, Amy P CIV NAVFAC SW, FISD; Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD
Subject: Tribal Sensitive Sites

Donna: It was good to speak with you earlier this afternoon. As I stated earlier this afternoon over the phone the Navy would appreciate the opportunity to discuss with tribe locations of sites of tribal concern (sensitive sites).

The Navy has determined that the Area of Potential Effect for the proposed NAS Fallon Range Modernization Project includes the entirety of the FAA designated Air Space for NAS Fallon. This determination is based on multiple verbal comments received from tribes.

As you may be aware a portion of this Airspace is located over the northern part of the Pyramid Lake; through background research the Navy has identified two sensitive sites located on the reservation and would like to discuss with the Tribe the potential for additional sites. This information along with any additional discussions related to this matter will be used to assess impacts.

If the 11th of September is still acceptable to discuss this matter, please let me know.

Sincerely

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil <<mailto:michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>>

(775) 426-3027

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Donna Noel \(DNoel@plot.nsn.us\)](#)
Subject: Sensitive Sites
Date: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 11:56:00
Attachments: [PCRI Poly Geographic Locations.pdf](#)
[PCRI Point Specific Locations.pdf](#)

Donna: Thank you for permitting speak with your group this morning. Attached to this e-mail are pdf files containing additional information related to the areas shown on the Map that left this morning.

Sincerely

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

(775) 426-3027



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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Vinton Hawley
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairperson Hawley:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



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December 26, 2018

The Honorable Vinton Hawley
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairperson Hawley:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

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Fernley, NV 89408

Mineral County Library
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Hawthorne, NV 89415

Yerington Branch Library
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Yerington, NV 89447

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Eureka, NV 89316


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602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Tribal Secretary](#)
Cc: [Rule, Robert M CIV NAVFAC SW](#); [Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN](#); [Burns, Patrick J GS13 NAWDC, N38](#); [Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD](#)
Subject: RE: FRTC Presentation
Date: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 15:42:00

Thank you.

Mike Baskerville
Cultural Resource Program Manager
NAS Fallon
michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil
(775) 426-3027

-----Original Message-----

From: Tribal Secretary <tribalsecretary@plpt.nsn.us>
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 2:30 PM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Cc: Rule, Robert M CIV NAVFAC SW <robert.rule@navy.mil>; Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN <scott.n.beyer@navy.mil>; Burns, Patrick J GS13 NAWDC, N38 <patrick.j.burns2@navy.mil>; Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD <wanda.s.green@navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: FRTC Presentation

Good Afternoon Michael,

Yes, you will be on the agenda. My error, I totally forgot to add you but there will be no issue adding you at the meeting. The meeting starts at 6 p.m. but we have an interview scheduled so your presentation will probably start around 6:30 p.m.

Attached is a copy of the edited agenda For Friday.

Brenda A. Henry
Tribal Secretary
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
775.574.1000 ext 1101
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From: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW [<mailto:michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 2:21 PM
To: Tribal Secretary <tribalsecretary@plpt.nsn.us>
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Subject: FRTC Presentation

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Subject: RE: FRTC Presentation
Date: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 15:41:00

Yes we will.

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: FRTC Presentation

Sorry yes, I can have a projector setup for you, will you be bringing your laptop?

Brenda A. Henry

Tribal Secretary

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March 28, 2019

Anthony Sampson
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairman Sampson:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Anthony Sampson
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairperson Sampson:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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September 30, 2019

Anthony Sampson
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairman Sampson:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Anthony Sampson
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairperson Sampson:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:07 PM
To: 'ASampson@plpt.nsn.us'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Sampson

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

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5090
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Arlan D. Melendez
Chairman
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Rd.
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairman Melendez,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the 2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Arlan D. Melendez
Chairperson
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Rd
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairperson Melendez,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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5090
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June 9, 2017

Arlan D. Melendez
Chairman
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Rd.
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairman Melendez,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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5090
Ser N0000CF/0112
July 5, 2017

Arlan D. Melendez
Chairman
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Rd.
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairman Melendez,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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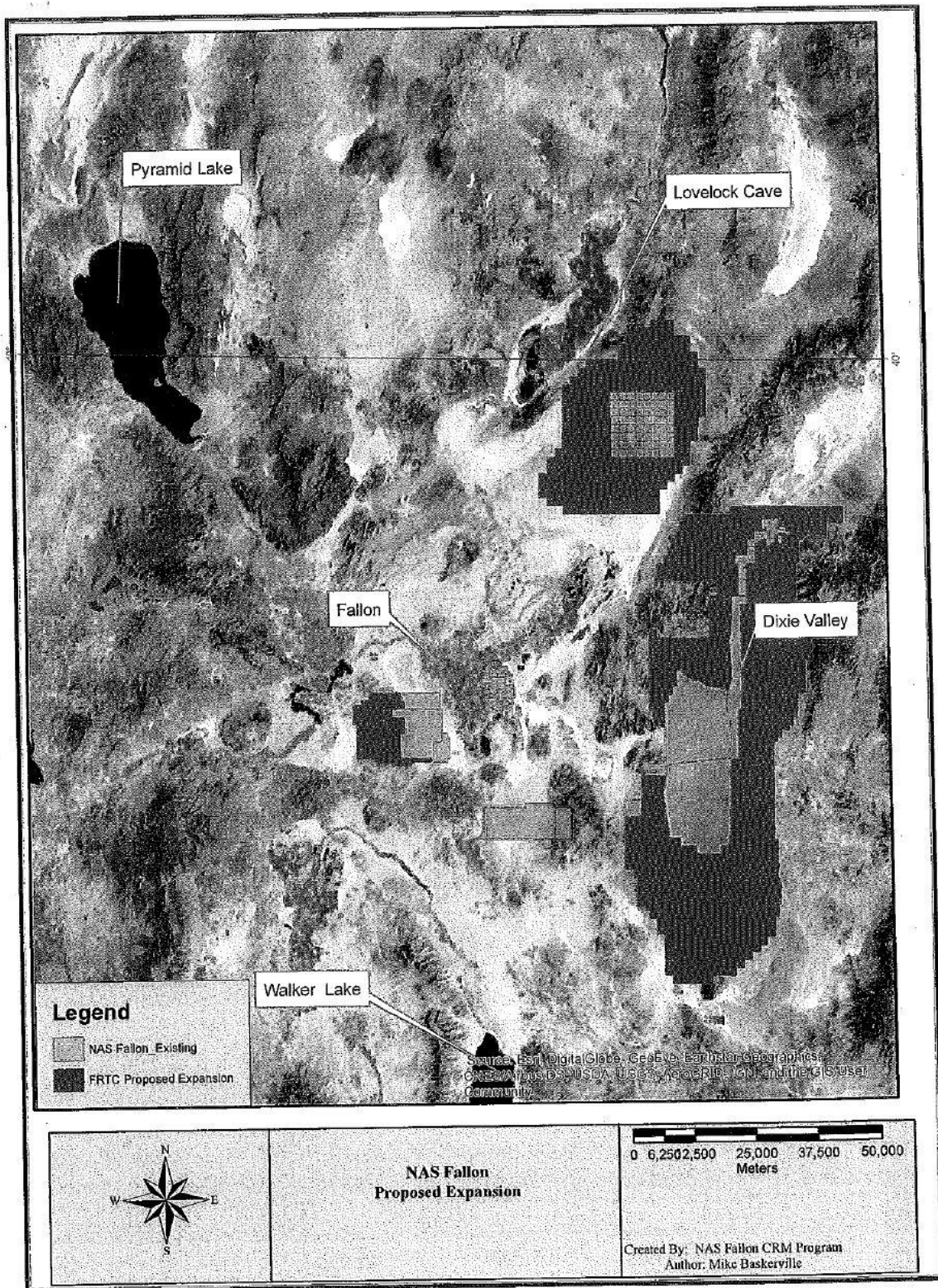
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July 5, 2017

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable Arlan Melendez
Chairperson
Reno Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Road
Reno, Nevada 89502

Dear Chairperson Melendez:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



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5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable Arlan D. Melendez
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Rd.
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairperson Melendez:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Arlan D. Melendez
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Road
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairperson Melendez:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

Arlan Melendez
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Road
Nixon, NV 89424

Dear Chairperson Melendez:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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4755 PASTURE ROAD
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Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Arlan D. Melendez
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Rd.
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairperson Melendez:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at 619-532-1035 or Mr. Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0217
September 30, 2019

Arlan D. Melendez
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Road
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairperson Melendez:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

- Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Arlan D. Melendez
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Rd.
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Chairperson Melendez:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

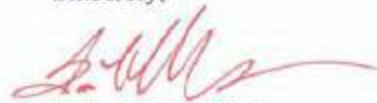
The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:09 PM
To: 'amelendez@rsic.org'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Reno-Sparks Indian Colony_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Melendez

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell - 858-373-8748

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Edith Smartt
Chairperson
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box B-13 - Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairperson Smartt,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

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- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the 2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:

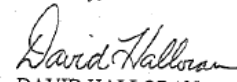
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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Edith Smartt
Chairperson
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box B-13 - Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairperson Smartt,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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1220 Pacific Highway
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San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
4755 PASTURE ROAD BL 307
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ms. Courtney Harney
Environmental Department, South Fork Band Council
HC 30 Box B-13 - Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Ms. Harney:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000**

5090
Ser N0000CF/0092
June 9, 2017

Tyler Reynolds
Chairman
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box B-13 - Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairman Reynolds,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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July 5, 2017

Tyler Reynolds
Chairman
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box B-13 - Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairman Reynolds,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

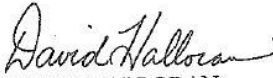
The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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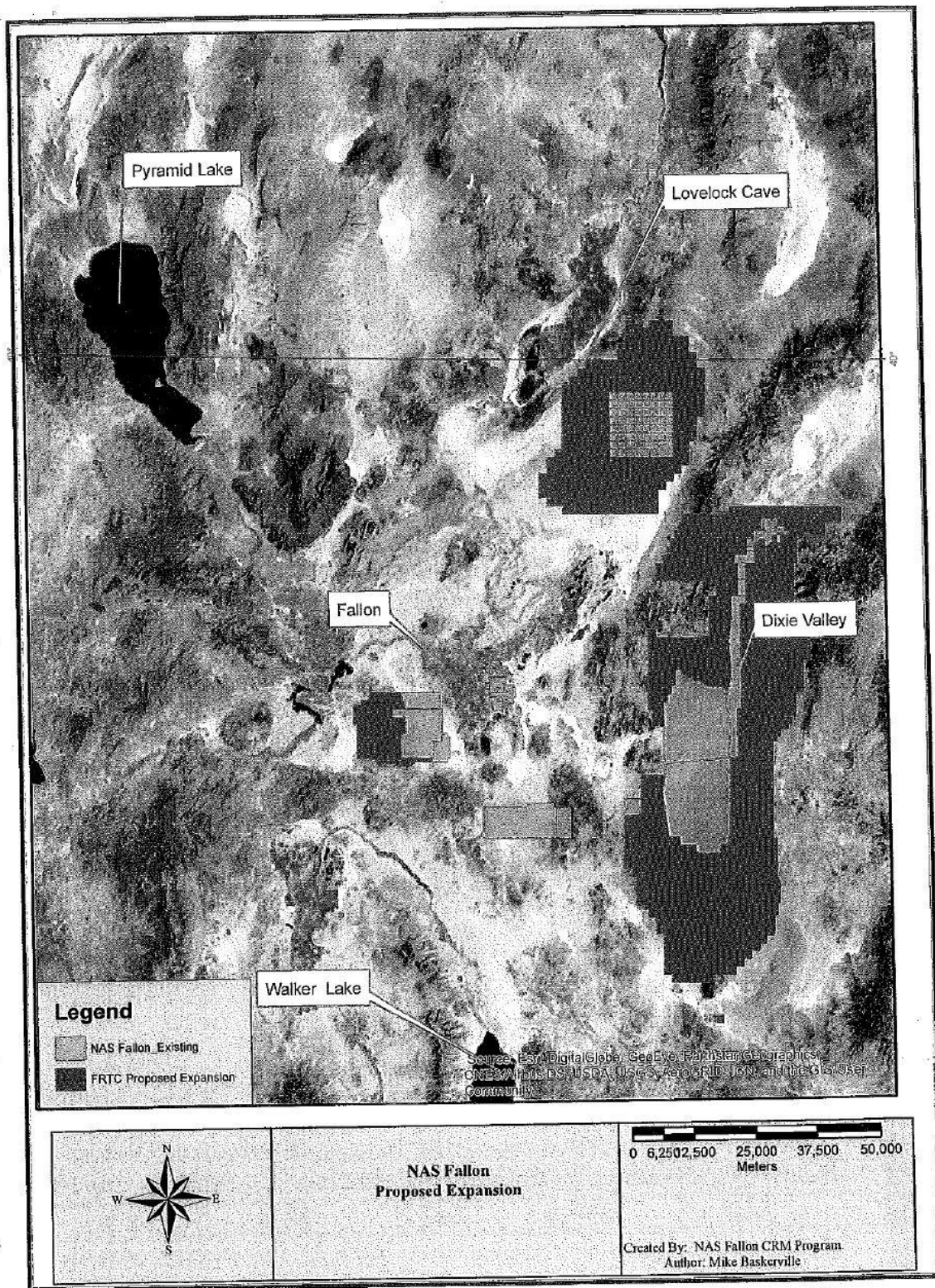
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable Tyler Reynolds
Chairperson
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box-13-Lee
Spring Creek, Nevada 89815

Dear Chairperson Reynolds:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

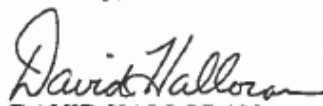
Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable Tyler Reynolds
South Fork Band Council
21 Lee Unit-13
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairperson Reynolds:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Tyler Reynolds
South Fork Band Council
21 Lee Unit-13
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairperson Reynolds:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Fallon, NV 89406

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1125 Central Ave.
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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

Tyler Reynolds
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box B-13 - Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairman Reynolds:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the South Fork Band Council both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Tyler Reynolds
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box B-13 – Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairperson Reynolds:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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September 30, 2019

Cheryl Mose-Temoke
South Fork Band Council
HC 30 Box B-13 - Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairperson Mose-Temoke:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Cheryrl Mose-Temode
South Fork Band Council
HC 30, Box B-13 – Lee
Spring Creek, NV 89815

Dear Chairperson Mose-Temode:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:05 PM
To: 'Sforkcouncil.adm@gmail.com'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: South Fork Band Council_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Mose-Temode

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

C.13 Summit Lake Paiute Tribe



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Page Linton
Chairwoman
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairwoman Linton,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Page Linton
Chairperson
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairperson Linton,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapac, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapac@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000**

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Ser N0000CF/0092
June 9, 2017

Page Linton
Chairman
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairman Linton,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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July 5, 2017

Page Linton
Chairman
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairman Linton,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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RECORD DATE: _____
DISPOSE OF DATE: _____
TIER LEVEL: _____

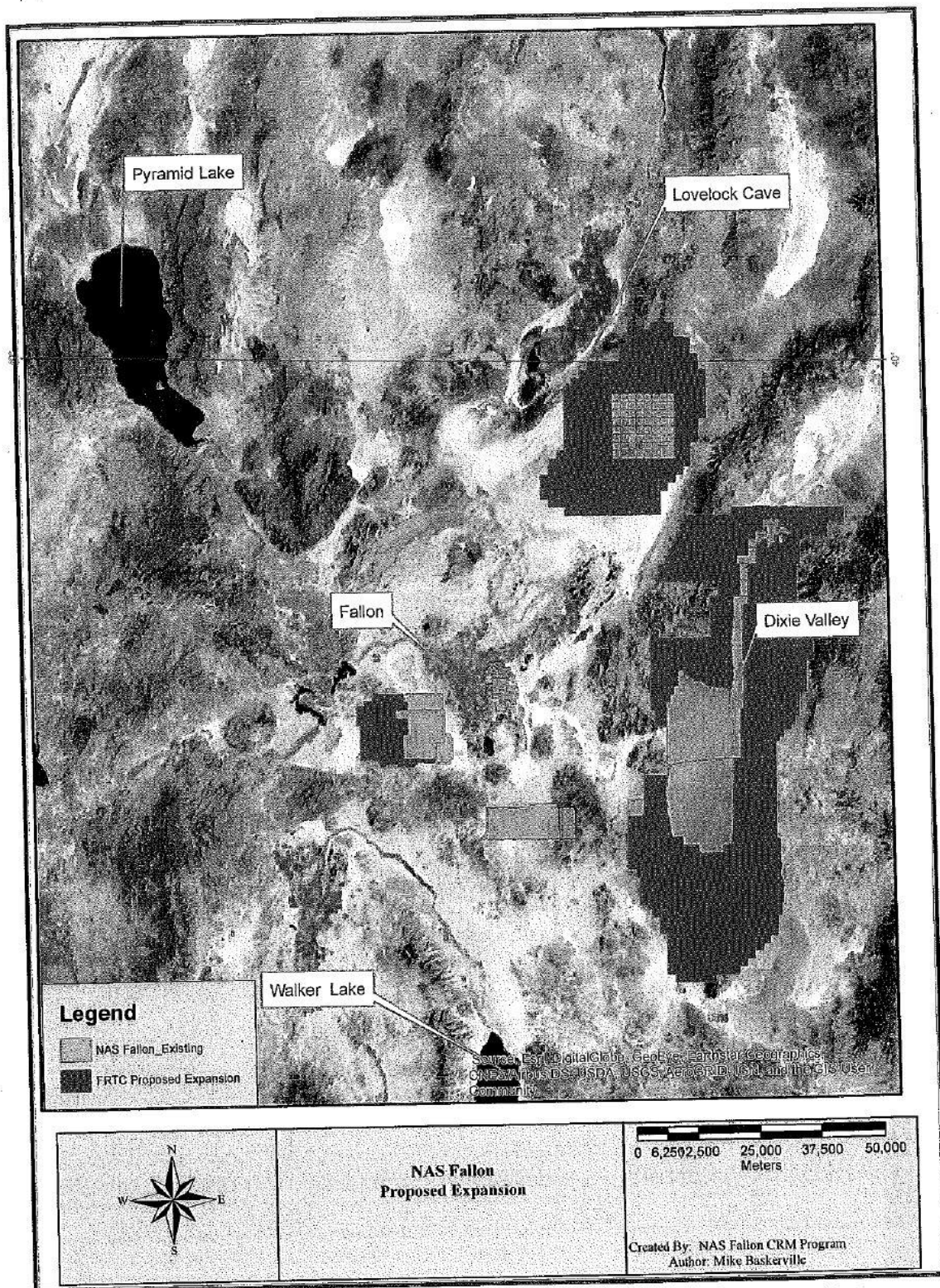
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable Linton Page
Chairperson
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd.
Sparks, Nevada 89431-4337

Dear Chairperson Page:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable Randi DeSoto
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 N. Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Chairperson DeSoto:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
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December 26, 2018

The Honorable Randi DeSoto
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 N. Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Chairperson DeSoto:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCMModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCMModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin, NV 89310

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

Randi Desoto
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairperson Desoto:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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September 5, 2019

The Honorable Randi Desoto
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairperson Desoto:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to read "E. L. Morrison", is positioned above the printed name.

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0219
September 30, 2019

Randi Desoto
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairman Desoto:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Randi Desoto
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
1001 Rock Blvd.
Sparks, NV 89431-4337

Dear Chairperson Desoto:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:09 PM
To: 'randi.desoto@summitlaketribe.org'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2018
Attachments: Summit Lake Paiute Tribe_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Desoto

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

C.14 Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Chairperson
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Johnson,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the 2015 *Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

* The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Chairperson
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Johnson,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapac, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapac@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000**

5090
Ser N0000CF/0092
June 9, 2017

Lydia Johnson
Chairman
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Johnson,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate

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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0112
July 5, 2017

Lydia Johnson
Chairman
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Johnson,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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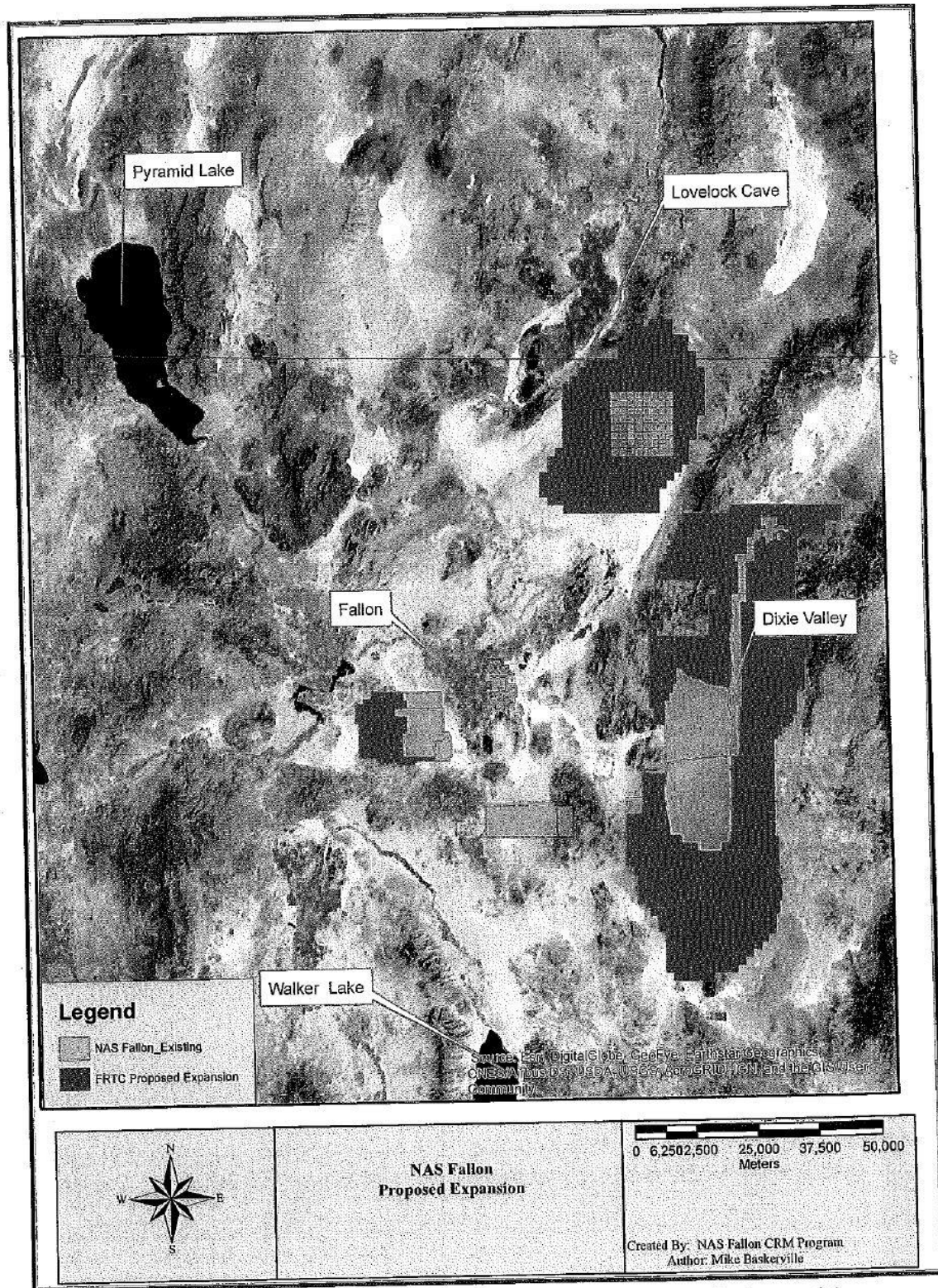
Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Chairperson
Te Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians
525 Sunset St.
Elko, Nevada 89801

Dear Chairperson Johnson:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Johnson:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Lydia Johnson
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Johnson:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCMmodernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCMmodernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin, NV 89310

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5600

5090
Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

Joseph Holly
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Holly:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Joseph Holly
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Holly:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0220
September 30, 2019

Joseph Holly
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairman Holly:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. L. Morrison", is positioned above the printed name.

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

- Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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5090
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Joseph Holly
Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada
525 Sunset St.
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Chairperson Holly:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:03 PM
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Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
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Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Holly

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

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Naval Air Station Fallon
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C.15 Walker River Paiute Tribe



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Bobby Sanchez
Chairman
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Chairman Sanchez,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

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The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 300.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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October 11, 2016

Mr. Bobby Sanchez
Chairman, Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

SUBJECT: OFF-RANGE ORDNANCE SOUTH OF B19

RECORD OWNER: *EV Admin*
RECORD DATE: *10/11/16*
DISPOSE OF DATE: *N/A*
TIER LEVEL: *1*

Dear Chairman Sanchez:

At approximately 9:32 on March 30, 2016 a F/A-18 dropped two 25 lb MK 76 practice bombs while performing a training mission in the vicinity of B19. The MK 76s impacted the ground at approximately 39° 04' 06.11" N 118° 40' 33.92" W. These coordinates are south of B-19 and on the Walker River Tribe Reservation Land. The Navy Explosive Ordnance Detachment (EOD) was contacted and was requested to search the suspected impact area.

On March 31, EOD conducted a one square kilometer sweep centered at 39° 04' 06.11" N 118° 40' 33.92" W. The search consisted of concentric circles getting progressively larger until the largest circle was 600m in radius. EOD found neither the MK 76s nor any evidence of impact. Due to the small size of the MK 76s and the speed at which it was released, it is probable that the became buried upon impact. Following the search, EOD advised a Walker River Paiute Tribe member of the outcome of its search and requested the Tribe member contact EOD in the event that they come across any off-range ordnance in the future.

A MK 76 practice bomb is roughly 2 feet in length and 4 inches in diameter. The only hazardous component within the MK 76 is the spotting charge of approximately 0.007 lbs of Net Explosive Weight which is equivalent to a round of small arms ammunition.


Upon impact, the air crew spotted the charges detonating, so we believe no hazards associated with the MK 76s exist. The determination that the MK 76s are likely buried under the surface is based on the speed and trajectory of the MK 76s upon release. This is further supported by the fact that EOD was unable to locate them on the surface.

There is no likely appreciable human or environmental health risk associated with the MK 76s due to the likelihood of the MK 76s having buried themselves and the detonation of the spotting charges upon impact. We believe further attempts at recovery would be more detrimental to the environment due to the amount of equipment, excavation and ground disturbance such efforts would likely involve.

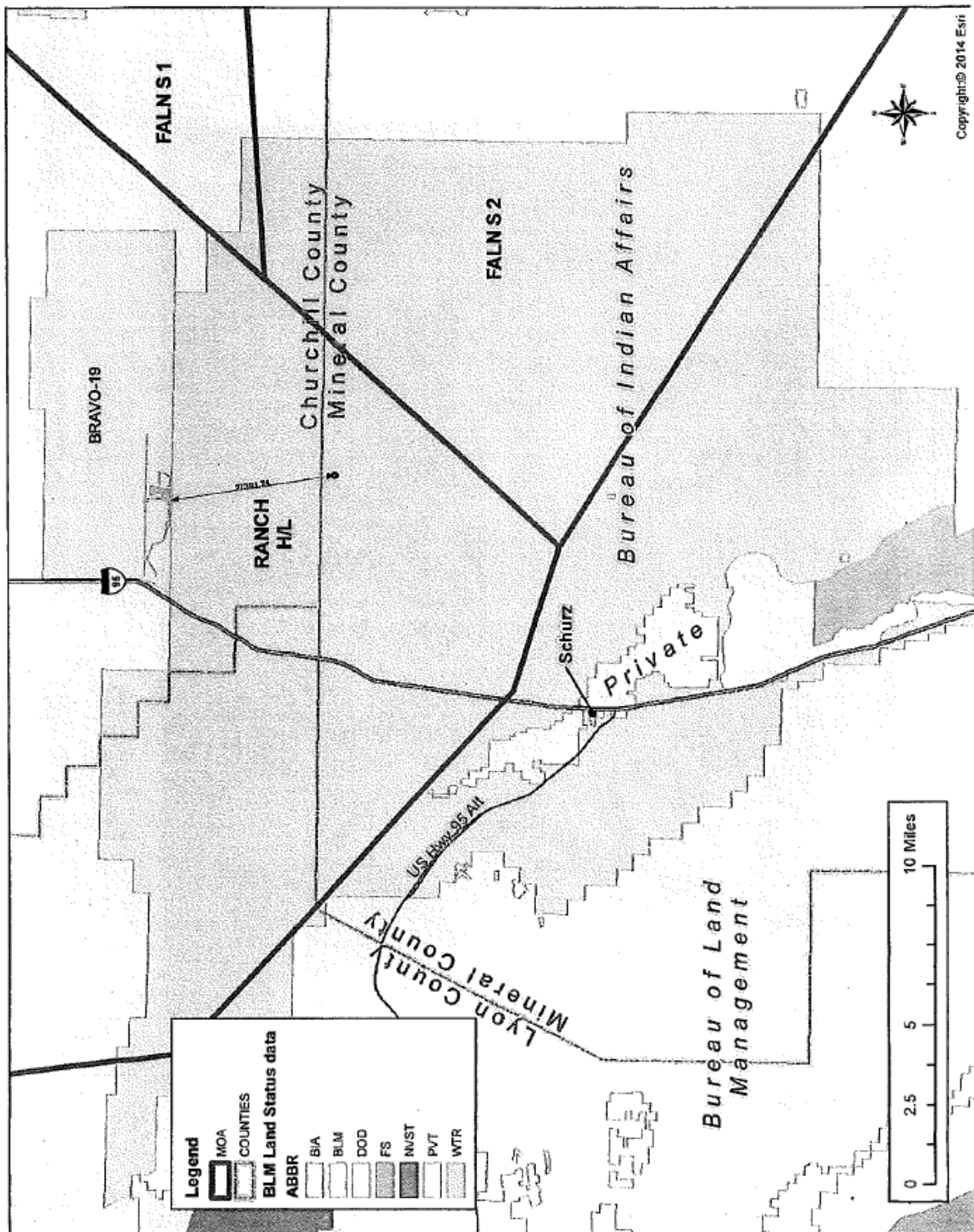
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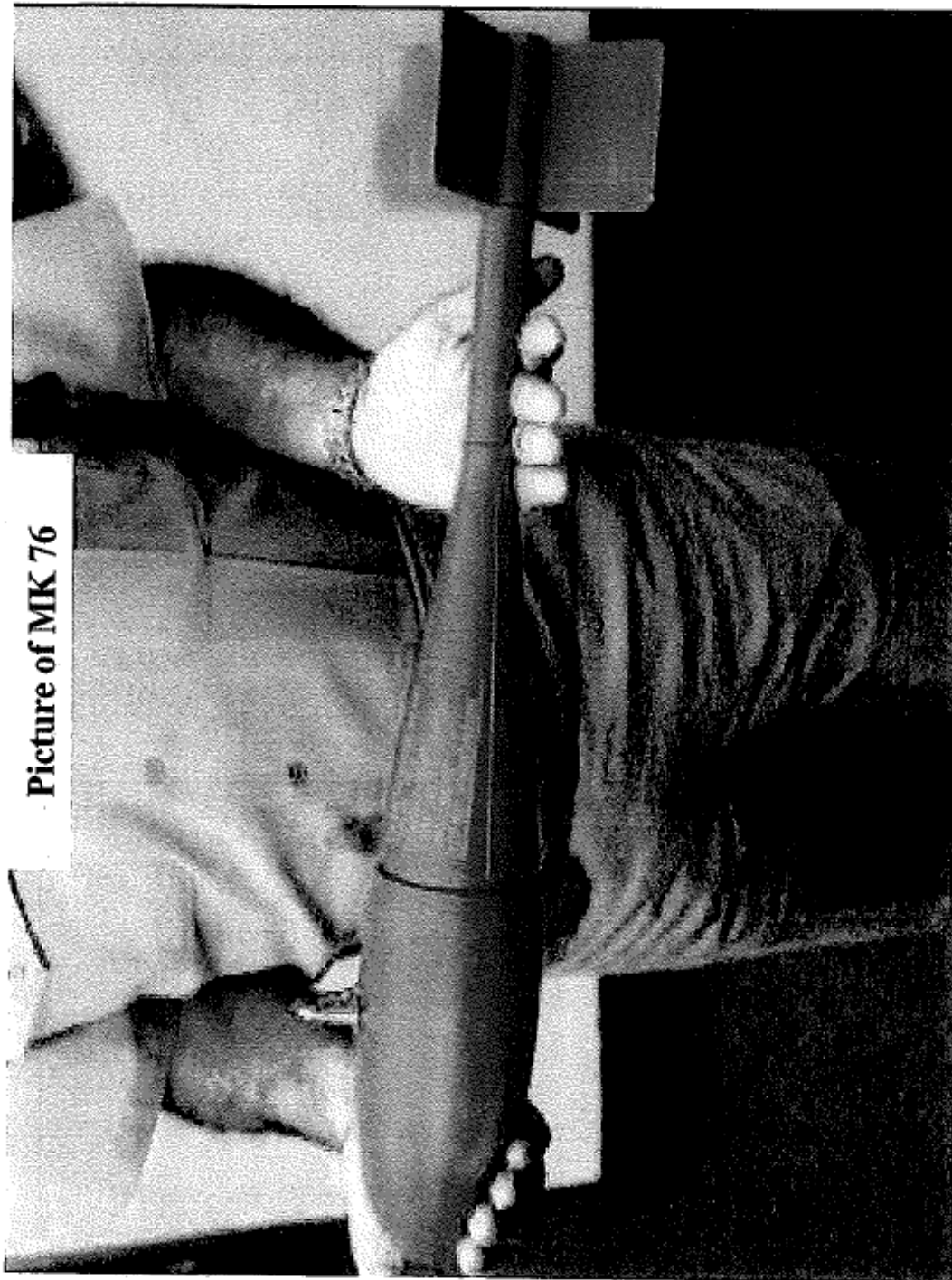
We have performed a root cause analysis and determined that the off-range ordnance was due to human error in entering coordinates. We have reviewed our processes and implemented additional safeguards in an attempt to prevent further errors of this kind.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: (1) Map of impact point
(2) Picture of MK 76





Picture of MK 76

Enclosure (2)



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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Bobby Sanchez
Chairperson
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
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Dear Chairperson Sanchez,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building I, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



Walker River Paiute Tribe

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November 17, 2016

Captain David Halloran
Commanding Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Attn: Environmental Division, Building 350
4755 Pasture Road
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Captain Halloran:

The Walker River Paiute Tribe is requesting to be a Cooperating Agency on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that will assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). This proposed modernization would include expansion of land ranges, airspace modifications, and renewing public land withdrawals.

The Walker River Paiute Tribe feels that our participation as a Cooperating Agency would be important to the development of the EIS with the Tribe's historical knowledge and expertise with respect to the environmental impacts applicable to the land, air quality, water resources, plants, cultural resources and traditional resources located within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The Tribe has a responsibility to protect its natural and cultural resources.

We would also be able to provide input on impacts of the direct effects of past and present actions on the environment. The Walker River Paiute Reservation is adjacent to the Bravo-19 (B-19) Range. The southern boundary shares a common 9-mile border. With the expansion of Bravo-17, the reservation will be in close proximity on the eastern boundary as well. The Tribe has a responsibility to protect its lands to ensure the suitability for current uses and benefit for future generations.

This letter will in no way replace formal government to government consultation with the Tribe on the proposed modernization of the FRTC in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800. All Tribal consultation will take

place here on the Walker River Paiute Reservation at a Special Council Meeting yet to be scheduled between your office and the Tribe.

We look forward to the opportunity to participate in the EIS and recognize the need to work together to achieve maximum efficiency for our respective agencies.

Sincerely,



Amber Torres

Tribal Chairman

WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE

cc: File – Navy FRTC Modernization EIS
Amy Kelly, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
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November 18, 2016

Captain David Halloran
Naval Air Station Fallon
4755 Pasture Road Fallon
Fallon, NV 89496

Re: MOA with Walker River Paiute Tribe

Dear Captain Halloran:

As you may recall, I am general counsel to the Walker River Paiute Tribe ("Tribe"). During a recent meeting, you provided a proposed Memorandum of Agreement between the Tribe and the Navy to address reporting protocols and other matters related to Navy off-range ordnance. The Tribe had entered into prior MOAs with the Navy on these subjects. Your proposed MOA deleted a number of provisions from the prior MOAs that the Tribe believes need to be included. Also as we discussed at a recent meeting, the Tribe believes that other provisions need to be added.

Enclosed is a proposed new MOA with the Tribe's revisions. Please look it over and let us know what we need to do to finalize this MOA.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wes Williams Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Wes Williams Jr.

Cc: Walker River Paiute Tribal Chairperson

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
COMMANDER, NAVY REGION SOUTHWEST
AND
WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE**

**NOTIFICATION AND ASSISTANCE PROTOCOL FOR ADDRESSING OFF-RANGE
ORDNANCE, HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INCIDENTS AND AIRCRAFT MISHAPS
THAT HAVE IMPACT ON WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBAL LANDS**

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I. PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

(a) This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is made and entered into by the Walker River Paiute Tribe (Tribe), and Commander, Navy Region Southwest (CNRSW), by and through the Commanding Officer Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada (NAS Fallon).

II. REFERENCES

- (a) DoD 4710.02
- (b) SECNAVINST 11010.14A

III. PURPOSE

(a) The purpose of this MOA is to establish a reporting and assistance process for NAS Fallon to follow in the event that:

- (1). Off-range ordnance, flares, other military munitions or debris lands on Tribal land;
- (2). A hazardous material incident occurs that poses a health or safety risk to the Tribe;
- (3). An aircraft mishap occurs on or adjacent to Tribal lands;
- (4). A military training activity poses a potential danger to the health, safety, or economic wellbeing of the Tribe.

(b) This agreement shall delineate certain reporting requirements and establish emergency entry and assistance procedures that will allow NAS Fallon personnel to enter onto Tribal sovereign lands in certain circumstances to assess and address impacts or hazards resulting from military training. It will also serve to establish a more formal and regular schedule of meetings and exchanges of information between NAS Fallon and the Tribe.

IV. AUTHORITY FOR ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT

(a) Whereas, the Walker River Paiute Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, with sovereign lands located under NAS Fallon's Special Use Airspace;

(b) Whereas, the governing body of the Tribe is organized under the provisions of the *Indian Reorganization Act* of June 18, 1934, as amended, to exercise certain rights of home rule;

(c) Whereas, the Tribe has the responsibility to serve the Tribal Members and residents of the Walker River Paiute Reservation, protect its natural and cultural resources, ensure the safety of its members, and promote the economic and social welfare of its members;

(d) Whereas, the Tribe has the responsibility to protect and manage its sovereign lands in a manner that ensures the land's suitability for current uses and its benefit for future generations;

(e) Whereas, NAS Fallon is a shore activity of the Department of the Navy, which includes air-to-ground training ranges and public lands that have been withdrawn for those training ranges, and those withdrawn public lands are used to provide critical training in support of the Department of Defense's national security mission;

(f) Whereas, NAS Fallon's mission is to provide integrated air strike and air warfare training in a realistic threat environment for military aircrews - primarily to improve power projection/interdiction capabilities of the U.S. Navy Carrier Air Wings - and the readiness of the U.S. Navy fleet is vital to national defense and security;

(g) Whereas, over time, military ordnance, both live and inert, flares and other debris has fallen or been carried by winds outside the boundaries of NAS Fallon's B-19 training range and onto significant amounts of Tribal lands with impacts that were identified by a Navy funded survey as "contaminated";

(h) Whereas, the Tribe and NAS Fallon desire to enter into this government-to-government relationship through an MOA to address the process by which NAS Fallon shall notify and consult the Tribe about:

- (1). Ordnance or flares that have fallen or been carried by winds onto Tribal lands;
- (2). Hazardous material accidents which may be reasonably anticipated to affect Tribal lands or the Tribe;
- (3). Aircraft mishaps;
- (4). Any other activity conducted by NAS Fallon (*e.g.*, scheduled training exercises) that may be reasonably anticipated to have an impact on Tribal lands or the health, safety or livelihood of Tribal members or residents of the Reservation.

(i) Whereas, the Tribe and NAS Fallon further desire that this MOA establish a process whereby NAS Fallon may enter upon Tribal lands to retrieve munitions and/or remediate any resulting damage to Tribal lands that may have been caused by military training. Finally, the Tribe and NAS Fallon further desire to establish a formal and regular schedule of meetings with one another to develop enhanced awareness of each other's missions, activities, and culture, and as a means to share information regarding common areas of concern, safety issues and potential business opportunities.

V. TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT

Now, therefore, the Tribe and NAS Fallon agree as follows:

(a) Appropriate points of contact shall be named for the purpose of reporting mishaps that damage or impact Tribal land, or the health, safety or livelihood of the Members of the Tribe.

(1). NAS Fallon agrees to provide a single point of contact ("POC") that will be responsible for notifying the Tribe and coordinating all remedial actions related to military mishaps that impact the Tribe. The POC shall be the Operations Duty Officer for Naval Air Station Fallon, telephone (775) 426-2419. In the event the primary POC is not available, the alternate POC is Commanding Officer (CO), NAS Fallon, telephone (775) 426-2700;

(2). The Tribe agrees that for incident reporting and coordination purposes, the single POC from the Tribe shall be the Walker River Paiute Tribal Chairperson, telephone (775) 773-2306. In the event that the primary POC is unavailable, the alternate POC is the Tribe's Police Department, telephone (775) 773-2544. Phone numbers may be updated without changing this agreement.

(b) Reporting incidents, discovery of off-range ordnance, and entry onto Tribal lands for the purpose of inspection, removal, or rendering safe (blown in place) of off-range ordnance, flares or other debris that has fallen or been carried by winds onto Tribal lands, shall be as follows:

(1). Notification procedure: One party shall notify the other as soon as possible, but not later than 24 hours after occurrence or discovery of an incident in which ordnance, flares or any other type of material or debris used in military training exercises or otherwise under the control of the United States military have landed or been carried by winds onto Tribal lands, and will provide information on the location, ordnance or debris involved, extent of any damage or destruction to the land or its fixtures, and the recommended plan of action to retrieve or render safe such ordnance. Within one week following the initial notification, the identifying party will forward written notification of the incident, to include the above information, to the other party.

(2). Entry procedure: In consultation with the Tribe's POC or alternate POC, NAS Fallon will arrange an appropriate time and place to meet with the Tribe's Designee. Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) unit will ensure the area is safe and determine the best access and egress routes for both parties. Following the determination of hazards, a safety brief will be given to all parties present. If and to the extent circumstances allow, the Tribe's POC will accompany EOD to the site for the purpose of inspection and damage assessment, as well as possible ordnance removal or action rendering such ordnance safe. Unless the Tribe's POC specifically agrees in writing, except where otherwise provide in (3) in this Section, NAS Fallon personnel shall not enter onto Tribal land for the purpose of viewing, retrieving, or rendering safe ordnance without notifying the Tribe prior to entering.

(3). Where NAS Fallon has knowledge that ordnance poses an *imminent* threat to the Tribe and/or property on Tribal land, the Tribe hereby gives NAS Fallon personnel authorization to come onto Tribal land to remove or render such ordnance safe. NAS

Fallon agrees to provide Tribe's POC notice and emergency response information as soon as reasonably practical, and shall follow all other requirements stated in this MOA.

(4). Clean-up and removal of ordnance, flares or other debris shall include the removal of all pieces of such ordnance, flares or debris from the site. The impact area will be backfilled to the original grade. All debris must be removed from the site by the Navy and may not be buried on the Reservation. NAS Fallon, in coordination with the Tribe, will develop a plan to restore the impacted area within one month from completion of the cleanup, seasons and weather permitting. Site restoration (reseeding) will take place during the time of year in which germination is likely to occur (i.e., spring or fall). Within three weeks from the notice of the mishap, NAS Fallon shall provide a written re-vegetation plan to the Tribe, which must be agreed upon by the parties. NAS Fallon will be responsible for funding and executing any necessary re-vegetation plan.

(5). Investigation and clean up of ordnance, flares or debris upon Tribe lands shall be handled as described above and include the following (if necessary):

- (1) Location of command post/staging area will be coordinated with the Tribe.
- (2) No road construction, earthwork or vegetative (including trees) removal is authorized to gain access to the site. Vehicle use is restricted to well established roads and trails and no off road vehicle travel is allowed without written approval from the Tribe's POC.
- (3) All debris will be removed from the Tribe's lands and affected area(s) will be restored to their natural state.

(c) Reporting and material removal associated with Navy aircraft mishaps on Tribal lands shall be as follows:

- (1). In the event of an aircraft mishap on or adjacent to Tribal lands, NAS Fallon will immediately locate and dispatch search and rescue helicopter(s), if available, to the mishap site.
- (2). NAS Fallon will notify the Tribe immediately of the mishap and provide the location, size of affected area, and any information on soil contamination (fuel), ordnance and size of burn area. Appropriate Navy or other uniformed service personnel will provide 24-hour security at the mishap site until the wreckage is removed. A command post/staging area will be established adjacent to the site.
- (3). In order to ensure the safety of all Tribal members and ensure an unimpeded federal emergency response and investigation of military aviation aircraft mishaps sites, NAS Fallon personnel shall have certain exclusive emergency response authorities to manage aircraft mishap crash sites; This may include but are not limited to:
 - (1) Establishing perimeters and restricted access points

- (2) Controlling access to the site, including restricting Tribal access
- (3) Fire fighting
- (4) Field investigation
- (5) Clean up and removal of debris and other materials

(4). Upon establishment of such perimeters or access points, NAS Fallon shall coordinate with the appropriate Tribal POC to provide escorted site access and visits. Tribal law enforcement entities shall provide assistance to NAS Fallon personnel in establishing a perimeter or restricting access as may be necessary to ensure the safety and security of Tribal lands or Tribe members.

(5). Fires associated with the mishap will be extinguished by the Navy at the impact area (500 feet around the mishap site) with hand tools, water and chemical extinguishers, if possible.

(6). Navy field investigation of any mishap will be on foot. If there is a requirement to retrieve large objects, helicopter transport may be used. If that is not possible, due either to safety concerns or the inability to secure the object for air transport, motor vehicles will be used to relocate the objects to the staging area. Vehicle access to the mishap site and command post/staging area shall be restricted to the overland travel route for both ingress and egress. This route will not be graded and/or bladed unless necessary.

(7). Clean-up and removal of mishap debris shall include the removal of all pieces of debris from the site. The impact area will be backfilled to the original grade. All debris must be removed from the site by the Navy and may not be buried on the Reservation. NAS Fallon, in coordination with the Tribe, will develop a plan to restore the impacted area within one month from completion of the cleanup, seasons and weather permitting. Site restoration (reseeding) will take place during the time of year in which germination is likely to occur (i.e., spring or fall). Within three weeks from the notice of the mishap, NAS Fallon shall provide a written re-vegetation plan to the Tribe, which must be agreed upon by the parties. NAS Fallon will be responsible for funding and executing any necessary re-vegetation plan.

(8). Navy investigation and cleanup of aircraft mishaps upon Tribal lands shall be handled as described above and include the following:

- (1) Location of command post/staging area will be coordinated with the Tribe.
- (2) No road construction, earthwork or vegetative (to include trees) removal is authorized to gain access to the mishap site. Vehicle use is restricted to well established roads and trails and no off road vehicle travel is allowed without written approval from the Tribe's POC.
- (3) All visible and hazardous mishap debris will be removed from the Tribe's lands and affected area(s) will be restored to their natural state.

(d) Reporting and coordinating corrective action associated with hazardous material incidents on Tribal lands shall be as follows:

(1) NAS Fallon will notify the Tribe immediately of any hazardous material incident that NAS Fallon has reason to believe has impacted Tribal lands, and provide information on the location, material(s) spilled and quantity, size of contaminated area, and the corrective action that NAS Fallon proposes to take to contain the spill. Within one week of the incident, NAS Fallon will forward written notification of the incident, to include the above information, to the Tribe.

(2) NAS Fallon, in consultation with the Tribe and with the Tribe's concurrence, will implement long-range corrective action, as required, in connection with any hazardous materials incident.

(3) If corrective action requires personnel from NAS Fallon to enter onto Tribal lands, the NAS Fallon POC shall obtain permission from the Tribe's POC before doing so. Moreover, unless the Tribe's POC specifically waives this requirement in writing on a case-by-case basis, whenever NAS Fallon personnel are on Tribal land, they shall be accompanied by a designee of the Tribe.

(4) Within one week after the completion of any necessary corrective action, NAS Fallon shall forward a letter report of corrective action taken to the Tribal Chairperson. The letter shall include all pertinent data, including the corrective action taken, correspondence with the Tribe, and photos (before and after) associated with the spill or incident site.

(5) NAS Fallon shall conduct all clean up activities in compliance with all federal laws regarding hazardous materials.

(e) NAS Fallon will notify the Tribe, in advance, of any upcoming training exercise that is expected to negatively impact or disrupt the Tribe's daily activities or that poses a safety risk to any member of the Tribe. Examples of the kind of training exercise that should be the subject of prior notification include: sustained low-level flights over or adjacent to Tribal lands or scheduled demolitions that are expected to produce sufficient force and sound to shake buildings and windows on the Reservation. Such notification should be made enough in advance of the training exercise to reasonably allow the Tribe to give advance warning to its members.

(f) The Navy has over many years contaminated Tribal lands with ordnance and other debris that has not been removed from the Reservation. The Navy identified as potentially contaminated approximately 6173 acres of Reservation land. The Tribe has not been compensated for the Navy's contamination, for the Navy's continuing trespass on the Reservation and for the Tribe losing the use of the land. The parties agree that they will enter into discussions that seek to resolve this long-standing issue within sixty (60) days of execution of this MOA.

(g) The parties acknowledge that this Agreement, and no other agreements or documents from the Tribe, give NAS Fallon or any other U. S. military personnel any right to trespass on, contaminate, destroy or harm in any way Tribal lands or resources. While NAS Fallon has a long history of such conduct, the Tribe in no way condones such behavior or activity and demands that NAS Fallon compensate the Tribe for such activities. Based on the foregoing, the parties agree that as soon as possible after any action by NAS Fallon that constitutes a trespass, contamination, destruction or harm to the Tribe or its resources, the parties will meet to determine fair and reasonable monetary or other compensation that NAS Fallon will provide to the Tribe for the activities. The fair and reasonable monetary or other compensation will be determined based on the damage caused, threat to Tribal members and others on the Reservation, trespass fees and all other factors. While military personnel often refer to the Reservation as simply a barren desert, the parties acknowledge that the Reservation is the Tribe's homeland and is sacred, so that any unauthorized actions by military personnel constitute significant harm and damage to the Tribe. At a minimum, NAS shall pay the Tribe the following amounts for the following types of contamination incidents: \$50,000 for hazardous or other debris; \$250,000 for hazardous or other debris that cannot be located or cannot be removed; \$1,000,000 for jet, helicopter, drone or aerial vehicle crash; and \$10,000 per week (\$10,000 minimum) for failing to report an incident within the time frames stated herein.

(h) NAS Fallon's failure to comply with the terms of this MOA shall constitute harm to the Tribe that NAS Fallon agrees must be addressed through paying monetary or other compensation. Similar to the process stated in Subsection (g) above, the parties agree that as soon as possible after any action by NAS Fallon that constitutes a failure to comply with the terms of this MOA, the parties will meet to determine fair and reasonable monetary or other compensation that NAS Fallon will provide to the Tribe for the action.

VI. ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT

(a) In order to foster better and more frequent communication between the parties, and in the spirit of intergovernmental cooperation, the parties agree to meet, face to-face, at least twice a year. One of these formal meetings will be hosted by the Tribal Chairperson at the Reservation and the other hosted by the CO NAS Fallon at the Installation. At the beginning of each calendar year, the Tribal Chairperson will arrange an acceptable date for the parties to meet at the Reservation and the CO, NAS Fallon will arrange an acceptable date for the parties to meet at the base. Meeting agendas will be approved by both parties prior to the meeting, and draft meeting minutes will be published by the Navy and allow comments from the Tribe for 30 days following the meeting before publishing final meeting minutes.

(b) To demonstrate its commitment to the health, safety and well-being of the Tribe, NAS Fallon agrees to distribute educational materials and conduct safety demonstrations, upon request once per year, for the Tribe, regarding the identification and procedures to take when Tribal members come in contact with military or non-military ordnance.

(c) This MOA shall not be construed as a waiver or release of liability for any claims the Walker River Paiute Tribe has against the United States, Department of the Navy or any other United States military service on the basis of contamination, trespass, or any other causes of action, that existed prior to this MOA or that arises during the term of this MOA.

(d) This MOA shall remain in force and effect for a three year term beginning when the last party signs this MOA, or until a party withdraws or it is superseded by another document.

(e) The MOA may be amended by mutual written agreement of the parties.

(f) Any party may withdraw from the MOA upon 60 days written notice to the other party.

This MOA is effective upon the last signature date.

VII. COMMITMENT OF FEDERAL AND TRIBAL AUTHORITY BY SIGNATORIES

(a) For the Department of the Navy

Mr. Nick Mallari, Comptroller (date)
Navy Region Southwest
Address:

eMail:
Telephone Number:

RDML M. K. Rich, United States Navy (date)
Commander, Navy Region Southwest
Address:

eMail:
Telephone Number:

(b) For the Walker River Paiute Tribe

Amber Torres, Tribal Chairperson (date)
Walker River Paiute Tribe
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Ms. Cynthia Ocegüera
Environmental Director, Walker River Paiute Tribe
P. O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Ms. Ocegüera:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapac, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapac@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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Ms. Elveda Martinez
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P. O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Ms. Martinez:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapac, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapac@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
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Ms. Marlene Begay
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P. O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Ms. Begay:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



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Ms. Victoria Guzman
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P. O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Ms. Guzman:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

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FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
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December 12, 2016

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San Diego, CA 92132

RE: Comments on the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Dear Sir,

The Walker River Paiute Tribe of Schurz, Nevada wishes to submit the following comments regarding the FRTC Modernization EIS.

The Tribe initially received a letter from David Halloran, Captain, U.S. Navy Commanding Officer of the Fallon Naval Air Station dated August 25, 2016. The letter was a "NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATION, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL". This letter noted its proposals of renewing an existing public land withdrawal, withdrawing an additional 604,789 acres of additional public lands and to expand existing land ranges, etc. The letter further noted the Environmental Analysis that would be done as well as the scoping meetings dates and places to be held. Comments were welcomed by the November 25, 2016 deadline. The most important paragraph in this letter was the following statement: **"The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800."** Naval staff was to be contacting our staff "in the coming days" to discuss the possibility of scheduling a meeting.

In reviewing the draft EIS, under Government-to-Government Consultation it states:

The Navy has solicited comments from Native American tribes potentially affected by the project by letter, phone, and e-mail and has received both written and oral responses. As is required by 36 C.F.R. 800 and as is appropriate, the Navy will continue to actively engage the tribes in Government-to-Government consultations until the end of the project.

Printed in the Appendices of the Draft EIS there are some letters that have been sent to the Tribe. A letter dated May 16, 2013 notifies the Tribe of the EIS for Military Readiness Activities at U.S. Navy Fallon Range Training Complex. The next letter dated January 20, 2015 has a subject of Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS for Military Readiness Activities at U.S. Navy Fallon Range Training Complex. The first line of the letter states: "This letter initiates consultation with the Walker River Paiute Tribe of the Walker River Reservation in regard to the subject...." It further goes on to note when a public meeting will be held (Fallon – February 19, 2015). Government-to-Government Consultation issues and discussion will be with the Tribal Council and not at a public meeting in order to meet the consultation requirements. The next letter dated April 23, 2015 has the subject line Draft EIS on Military Readiness Activities at U.S. Navy Fallon Range Training Center. The first line in this letter states "This letter continues consultation with the Walker River Paiute Tribe in regard to the subject undertaking in accordance with 36 CFR 800, regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended." It further states that the Navy initiated Section 106 consultation with the Tribe in its letter dated January 20, 2015. In addition, it states information from the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer. Again, this letter does not constitute "consultation" with the Tribe. The final letter, dated June 11, 2015, "thanks" the Tribe for having two individuals for participate and attend a meeting regarding the FRTC EIS.

The Tribe is interested in entering into formal Government-to-Government Consultation on this EIS. Such will require an initial meeting with the Tribal Council that will be held here on the Walker River Paiute Reservation.

On October 14, 2016 Tribes were invited to a meeting that was held at the Youth Activity Center at the NAS in Fallon. There were representatives from five (5) tribes in attendance; attending from our Tribe was Victoria Guzman, Cynthia Ocegueda, Marlene Begay and Elveda Martinez. A PowerPoint presentation titled "Required Training Capabilities of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) – The Carrier in the Desert" was shown. Information included: the FRTC training information, mission training, design for combat success, combat training realism, training infrastructure, weapons analysis, Naval Special Warfare Analysis, land summaries, information on the different Bravo's, airspace summary, environmental resource areas to be analyzed and the NEPA process and timeline. Most of the information wasn't understandable to the average person and tribal staff expressed their lack of understanding on this presentation. The FRTC Modernization pamphlet was also provided to those in attendance; this information is also included on the EIS website.

Tribal representatives were given the opportunity to express their concerns, provide information and ask questions, such as:

*This presentation/meeting should not be considered "official" Government-to-Government consultation. That needs to be with each individual Tribe and be between decision making individuals.

*Is the Navy asking for the increased land withdrawals with the intention of getting what they can or do they really need all of this land?

*Will there be new targets on the ranges?

*There are traditional gathering areas in some of the withdrawal areas; will we still be able to visit those locations and gather plants, pinenuts, etc.

*What will be the economic benefits of the proposal? How will the Tribe's benefit? The information provided shows that in 2015 there was a \$517.4 million economic benefit for Churchill, Lyon and Washoe Counties; this was for jobs, industry output, direct payroll of personnel, in state and local tax revenues, visitor spending, funds paid to landowners for agricultural easements and Federal Impact Aid to support local schools. There is NO economic benefit to the Walker River Paiute Tribe, even though we are located within 20 miles of the main base and have Tribal lands that are adjacent to Bravo 19.

*We have concerns for the already existing Wilderness Areas that are identified within the proposed land withdrawal areas. What will be the effect to the wildlife and lands in those areas?

*How will the increased flyovers affect the wildlife, air quality, etc.?

*How will water resources, wells, guzzlers, etc. be affected and monitored?

*With the increased flyovers, should we be concerned about exhaust emission or fuel dumping; to humans or wildlife?

*Will there be a lot of night time flights? We are concerned about the noise.

*The maps provided were small and didn't have identifying markers, boundary lines to get a good understanding of the land areas proposed for expansion. Our Tribe is concerned about how our Eastern boundary will be impacted by the increased "training" and "bombing". Historically, Naval and other pilots have continuously missed their targets.

In reviewing certain parts of the draft EIS, the Tribe would like to further comment after discussions with the BLM, USFWS and State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). The Cultural Resource sections need to be reviewed by our cultural resource people; discussion needs to be held with the people that made the statements in this section. We need to discuss the many land issues with the BLM, i.e. Wilderness Areas, land withdrawals, sage grouse habitat and treatment, etc. The sage grouse issue and the negative affects also need to be discussed with the USFWS as we have a great concern on how the animals and birds will be affected. The land in question has many cultural resource areas that we and other tribes are concerned about.

We are requesting that Tribal Cultural Resource Monitors from our Tribe be present and involved in any and all discussions regarding Tribal concerns. They should be paid by the Navy for their time in the field, for attending meetings and writing reports and all associated costs. It's important that all federal laws are following and all Tribal concerns are addressed.

Major concerns of our Tribe:

*The Navy has a long history of ignoring the Tribe's concerns.

*The Navy destroyed facilities on our reservation since the early 1940's.

*Access to areas on our reservation have been restricted due to "dangerous" conditions. Nearly 6,000 acres has been contaminated with live and inert ordnance.

*The Navy currently flies over our Reservation; we are concerned about the increased jet traffic, the increased use of Tribal airspace and the increased air pollution.

We are requesting that we begin meeting with Naval officials with decision making capabilities to discuss the EIS and the many historical and current concerns of our Tribe. The Fallon NAS has historical records and information on how they have negatively impacted our reservation for years.

In the early 1990's, the Tribe negotiated with Naval officials to attempt to come to resolution on the trespass (and damages) and contamination of Tribal lands. There were many decisions that were made during that time, but still no final decision was made. It's important to resolve those issues during this process so that the Navy can move forward with their needed training needs and the Tribe can be compensated accordingly for the many years of trespass, etc.

On March 30, 2016 a F/A 18 jet dropped two 25 pound bombs while performing a training mission in the vicinity of Bravo 19. Neither of these bombs were found and it is likely that they never will be. We were greatly disappointed that it took the Navy (David Halloran, Captain, US Navy Commanding Officer) until October 11, 2016 to send a report to our Tribe to explain the incident. As usual the Navy reports that: "There is no likely appreciable human or environmental health risk associated with the MK 76s due to the likelihood of the MK76s having buried themselves and the detonation of the spotting charges upon impact..." The letter further goes on to state: "We have performed a root cause analysis and determined that the off-range ordnance was due to human error in entering coordinates. We have reviewed our processes and implemented additional safeguards in an attempt to prevent further errors of this kind." These types of errors have been happening since the early 1940's.

The EIS should provide information on the history of munition issues on our Reservation. We assume that data is available on the frequency and extent of aircraft mishaps and of off-range ordnance, flares, or other military munitions landing on Tribal lands. This information should be included since it is central to the impact assessment. The Navy needs to disclose whether and, if so, how off-range UXO and munitions on the Reservation are being managed in compliance with the Military Munitions Rule. The EIS should explain how the Navy is complying, and would comply under the proposed action, with the Military Munitions Rule for munitions that land off-range on our Reservation. The Navy should also discuss whether the beneficial procedure outlined in the Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program (NALEMP) Implementation Manual is applicable and whether any components of it are being implemented. Additional mitigation measures that could eliminate or minimize future ordnance and munitions expenditures on the Reservation need to be discussed during consultation with the Tribe.

The Tribe and Navy are currently revising and reviewing a MOA that is titled "Notification and Assistance Protocol for Addressing Off-Range Ordnance, Hazardous Material Incidents and Aircraft Mishaps that have Impact on Walker River Paiute Tribal Lands". This MOA has been utilized for years. It is necessary, because the Navy has been dropping bombs on our reservation for over 70 years.

A letter dated November 17, 2016 to Captain David Halloran was sent requesting that our Tribe be a Cooperating Agency on the EIS. We feel that our participation would be important to the development of the EIS, as the Tribe has historical knowledge with respect to the environmental impacts, including those to the land, air quality, water resources, plants, cultural resources and traditional resources located with the EIS study area. We are looking forward for the opportunity to participate in the EIS process with other cooperating agencies.

In closing, the Walker River Paiute Tribe is looking forward to begin Government-to-Government consultation with decision making Naval officials so that we can discuss the many issues noted in the draft EIS as well as the issues that have impacted our Reservation over the many years.

Sincerely,

Amber Torres, Tribal Chairman
WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE

cc:

David Halloran, Captain, U.S. Navy Commanding Officer, Department of the Navy, NAS Fallon,
4755 Pasture Road, Fallon, NV 89406

Michael T. Klapec, PE, Installation Environmental Program Director, NAS Fallon Public Works,
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23 March 2017

Amber Torres, Tribal Chairman
Walker River Paiute Tribe
1022 Hospital Road
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, Nevada 89427

Dear Ms. Torres:

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR COOPERATING AGENCY STATUS AND
INVITATION TO GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION
FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION,
FALLON, NEVADA

Thank you for your letter of November 17, 2016, requesting that the Walker River Paiute Tribe serve as a Cooperating Agency for the Department of the Navy's (Navy's) Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). While the Navy appreciates the Tribe's interest in serving as a Cooperating Agency, we respectfully decline your request. We propose that the Tribe's participation in the development of the FRTC EIS will be appropriately and successfully realized through a government-to-government (G2G) consultation process. The Navy expects the G2G consultation for the FRTC EIS to be both continuing and comprehensive, occurring for the duration of the National Environmental Policy Act environmental planning process.

Through the Naval Air Station (NAS) Fallon Commanding Officer and his staff, the Navy looks forward to conducting this consultation with the Walker River Paiute Tribe. The NAS Fallon staff point of contact for this consultation is Mr. Mike Baskerville, Cultural Resources Program Manager, michael.c.baskerville@navy.mil, (775) 426-3027. Mr. Baskerville may be reached directly by email or phone to discuss the consultation. The U.S. Pacific Fleet EIS Program Manager is Mr. Alex Stone, alexander.stone@navy.mil, (619) 545-8128.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "L. M. Foster", is positioned above the typed name.

L. M. FOSTER
By direction

Copy to:
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Commander, Navy Region Southwest (N40)
Commander, Navy Facilities Engineering Command, Southwest (N45)
Commander, Naval Aviation Warfighting Development Center (N00)
Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Fallon (N00)



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June 9, 2017

Amber Torres
Chairman
Walker River Paiute Tribe
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Dear Chairman Torres,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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July 5, 2017

Amber Torres
Chairman
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Chairman Torres,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

RECORD OWNER: Enr. [Signature]
RECORD DATE: 7/5/17
DISPOSE OF DATE: N/A
TIER LEVEL: IV

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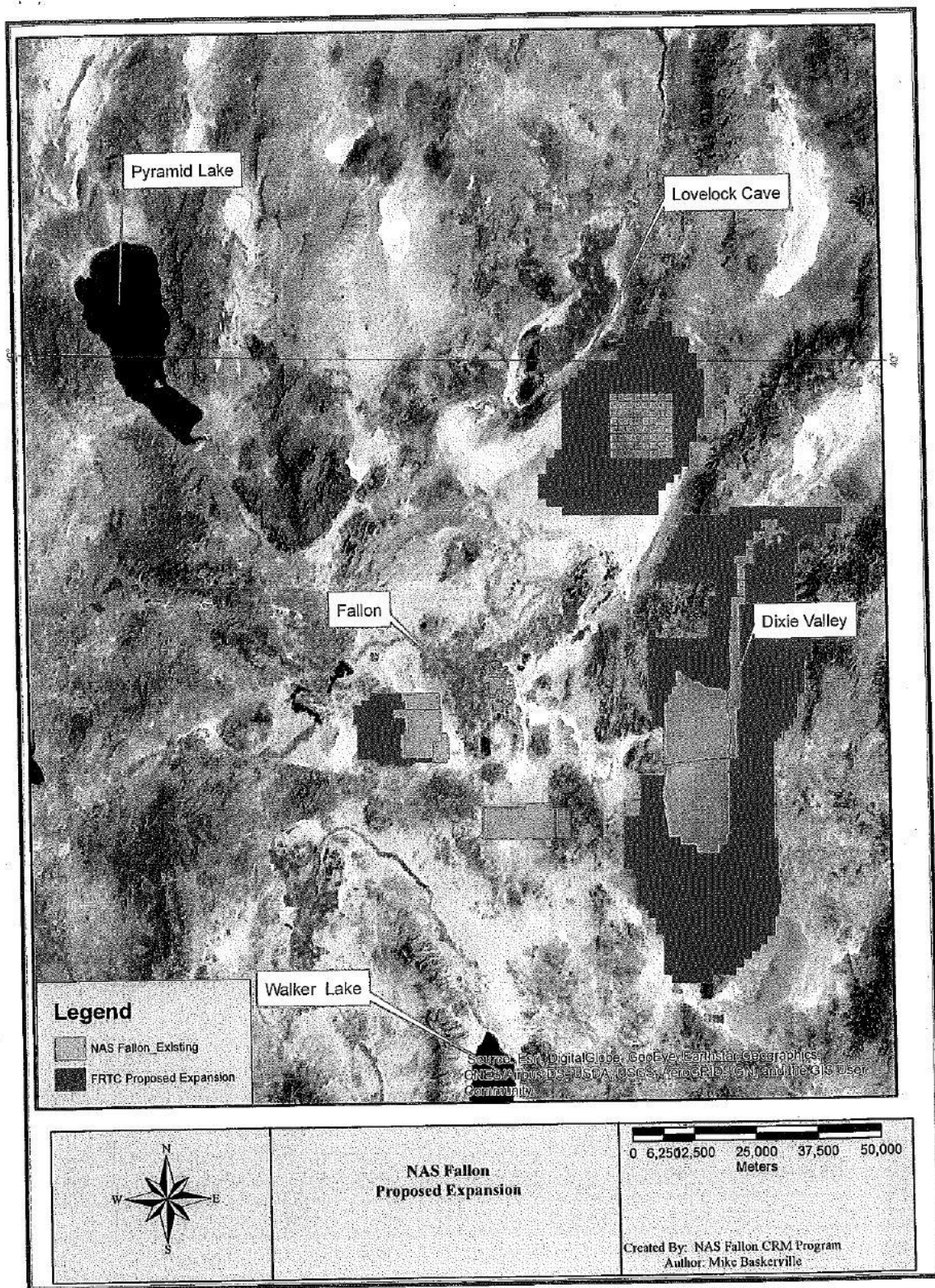
Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)

From: [Misty Benner](#)
To: [Baskerville, Michael C CTV NAVFAC SW](#)
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Fallon Range Training Complex Expansion Cultural Properties Identification
Date: Monday, August 07, 2017 9:55:35

Dear Mr. Baskerville,

The following cultural properties identification refers to areas that were within the traditional territories of the Agi Tukadu Numu (trout eater people- Walker River Paiute Tribe), some areas in close proximity to Naval properties were joint use areas of the Agi Tukadu and the Toe Tukadu Numu.

- Bravo 19 lies on the northern border of the Walker River Paiute Reservation. There is a large petroglyph site (26LY9) located approximately 1 mile south of the reservation boundary on Hwy 95, that is still utilized by the tribal members for ceremony and spiritual purposes.

- there is a large boulder that was used for food and medicine processing. it is unsure whether the boulder lies on the reservation or the navy's side of the boundary. This boulder is located approximately 1/8 mi. northwest of the dirt road that parallels the Terrill mountains and goes out to Rawhide.

- on the eastern side of B19 there is an archaeological site along the sand mountains. This was going to be excavated by the Navy archaeologists.

- The old trail that went from Walker Lake to Carson Lake lies along the western side of B19. many parts of Hwy 95 parallel or are on top of the old trail the People used.

- There are burials between Carson Lake and Schurz from when the cavalry poisoned the water at Stillwater and the Paiutes came to Schurz to escape.

- Allen hot springs and the surrounding area were utilized by the People for spiritual and medicinal purposes and still are by their descendants.

- Flat Top Cave and the rock shelters on the north face of the Dead Camel mountains were utilized extensively over the generations for resource procurement and spiritual purposes.

- The Grimes Point archaeological site along Hwy 50 is important to the Agi Tukadu Numu.

- The People did travel and utilize the Dixie Valley along with the Toe Tukadu for resource procurement and traveling through when going to visit or trade with other tribes.

I will check the Tribe's Archives and also ask the elders for further information. I hope this helps. Thank you for your correspondence with the Walker River Paiute Tribe concerning our cultural areas. If you require further info or have questions please contact me on my cell at 775-842-6526.

Respectfully,
Misty Benner
Cultural Resources Specialist
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

775-773-2306

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Misty Benner](#)
Subject: RE: Fallon Range Training Complex Expansion Cultural Properties Identification
Date: Monday, August 07, 2017 10:36:00

Misty; Thank you for the information. If you or any member of the tribe would like to visit any site located under the administration of NAS Fallon you are welcome to do so.

I am in the processes of reviewing an internal report on the inventories that were conducted on the B-16,17 and 20 ranges. I would expect that a draft copy of the report will be forwarded to the tribe in the next month or so.

One of my bigger concerns is that the Salt Caves will be included in the withdrawal. In order to manage that group caves correctly it would be helpful to know some cultural background beyond what can be recorded by archaeologist. If you have some information that should be considered for creating a management plan or for analysis of effects I would appreciate anything that that you can give me. Additionally If you know of somebody with knowledge related to the caves I would also appreciate it if you could put me in contact with them.

Thank you again

Mike Baskerville
Cultural Resource Program Manager
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-----Original Message-----

From: Misty Benner [<mailto:mumuyadua@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 07, 2017 9:55 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Fallon Range Training Complex Expansion Cultural Properties Identification

Dear Mr. Bakersville,

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Misty Benner

Cultural Resources Specialist

Walker River Paiute Tribe

P.O. Box 220

Schurz, NV 89427

775-773-2306

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Misty Benner](#)
Subject: RE: Fallon Range Training Complex Expansion Cultural Properties Identification
Date: Wednesday, August 16, 2017 12:10:00

Misty: Thank you for the information and your help on this matter . The caves I am speaking about are located in the Dead Camel Mountains east of the caves you described below . I am going to create a map showing the location of the Salt Caves and send it down to you this afternoon so that you can post it with the flyer. Again Thank you for help.

Mike.

-----Original Message-----

From: Misty Benner [<mailto:munuvadua@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2017 10:36 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re: Fallon Range Training Complex Expansion Cultural Properties Identification

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From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Misty Benner](#)
Subject: RE: Fallon Range Training Complex Expansion Cultural Properties Identification
Date: Thursday, August 17, 2017 7:31:00
Attachments: [Salt Cave.pdf](#)

Misty: Attached is a map showing the location of Salt Cave.

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Ser N000CF/0198
November 28, 2017

Ms. Amber Torres
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89431

Dear Chairman Torres:

SUBJECT: CULTURAL INVENTORY RESULTS PROPOSED FRTC EXPANSION

Enclosed for your information and comment is a report entitled A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory of 14,062 Acres for the Proposed Land Withdrawal for Naval Air (NAS) Fallon, Churchill, Mineral, and Nye Counties, Nevada.

The inventory was conducted on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District- Stillwater Field Office (12,643.5 acres), Bureau of Reclamation-Mid-Pacific Region (1,231.8 acres), Department of Defense-NAS Fallon (45.7 acres), and private lands (141.0 acres). The inventories were conducted to identify cultural resources located within proposed target and maneuver areas associated with Alternative 1 of the proposed NAS Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

A total of 202 archaeological sites were newly recorded or updated as part of the current project (146 prehistoric, 38 historic, and 18 multicomponent).

The information contained within the report will be used to assess the impact of the actions associated with Alternative 1 (the "Proposed Action" as announced in August 2016). Please note that we are currently conducting further surveys to supplement this report with respect to Alternative 1, and that additional survey work may be required in the event that a different or modified alternative is ultimately identified in the EIS as the Navy's preferred alternative. Thus we may subsequently be providing additional information for your review; however, since this report provides the cultural resource information we have collected thus far, we would greatly appreciate your review of the report at this time. Accordingly, we ask that you please complete your review and provide any comments by January 6, 2018.

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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at
(775)426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL T. KLAPEC, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Manager
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. Cultural Resource Inventory



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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Amber Torres
Chairperson
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, Nevada 89431

Dear Chairperson Torres:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) PDEIS Comment Matrix Instructions

This letter is to formally invite you to review the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, the information is protected until such time it is released to the public. As stated in the Non-Disclosure Certificate, information directly or indirectly reviewed or discussed during the FRTC EIS process will not be divulged to unauthorized persons or entities.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Instructions for submitting PDEIS comments are attached and will be provided on the website. **The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018.** Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.


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- Click on the Comment Matrix to download it onto your computer. Instructions for completing the Comment Matrix are attached, and are available in the PDEIS folder in the E-Repository.

Please email the completed comment matrix to Amy Kelley at amy.p.kelley@navy.mil by June 15, 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

From: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
To: chairman@wrpt.us
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Meeting
Date: Wednesday, May 16, 2018 13:22:00

Chairman: would 10:00 am on 30th of May still work for you. ?

Mike Baskerville
Cultural Resource Program Manager
NAS Fallon
michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil
(775) 426-3027

-----Original Message-----

From: chairman@wrpt.us [<mailto:chairman@wrpt.us>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2018 12:16 PM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Meeting

I am open for the week of May 29-June 1, 2018.

Amber

-----Original Message-----

From: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2018 3:19 PM
To: Amber Torres <Chairman@wrpt.us>
Subject: Meeting

Chairman: From your last note I understand that the 24th of this month is not possible for a meeting to discussing the possibility of the Navy reimbursing the tribe for staff time. Is there a time during the week of the 28th of May or the week of June 1st.

v/r

Mike Baskerville
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July 10, 2018

The Honorable Amber Torres
Chairman
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PO Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Chairman Torres:

**SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION SENSITIVE
PROPERTIES CONSULTATION**

The Department of the Navy (Navy) would like to thank you for your Tribe's participation in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Cooperating Agency/Tribal Participant meetings. The Navy realizes that these meetings may not have been the optimal place to discuss information related to potential impacts to culturally sensitive sites.

In order to account for impacts to culturally sensitive sites within preparation of National Environmental Policy Act and National Historic Preservation Act analysis and documentation, the Navy proposes to have a meeting with the tribal government, cultural committee, elders, and any interested individual tribal members who may have information related to the location of sensitive sites within the Area of Potential Effect (APE) associated with this undertaking (See Enclosure). At the meeting the Navy would also present information it has previously collected through background research and ask those present to offer any comments they might have on such information, with respect to accuracy, relevance, completeness.

The Navy is proposing to have the meeting on July 24, 2018. Please coordinate directly with Mike Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil as to whether the proposed date would be convenient for the Tribe, and in terms of arranging a time and location.

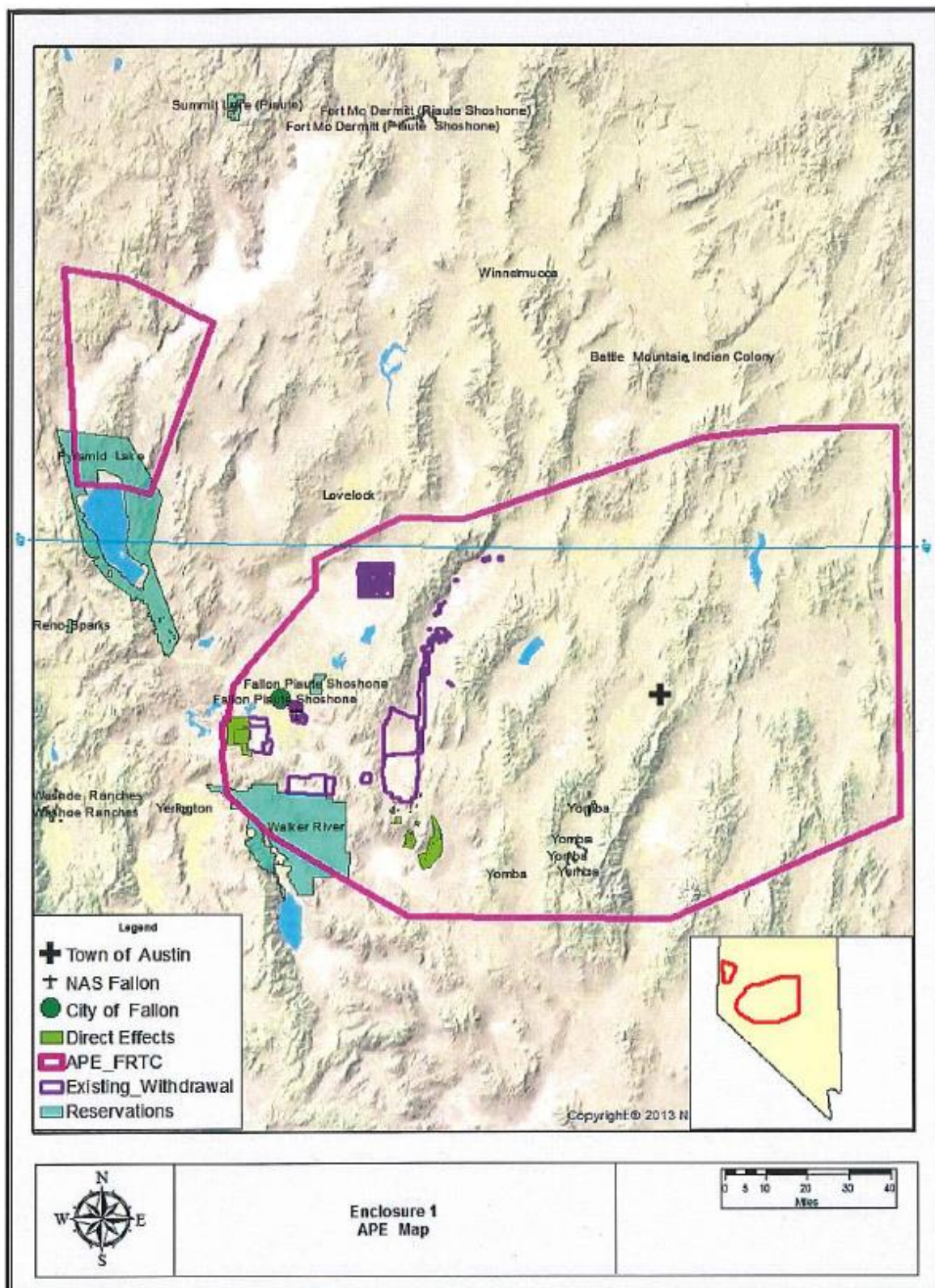
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Klapec", is located below the "Sincerely," text.

Michael T. Klapec, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Director
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosure: Map of FRTC APE

Copy to: Mike Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon



From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: chairman@wrpt.us
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Culturally sensitive sites
Date: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 7:48:00

Chairman Torres: We can meet tomorrow on the 25th. What time would you be available?

Mike Baskerville
Cultural Resource Program Manager
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-----Original Message-----

From: chairman@wrpt.us <chairman@wrpt.us>
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 5:46 PM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Culturally sensitive sites

Good afternoon Mike, I apologize for the late email. I am not available on July 24th, 2018. I would be available on July 23rd or July 25th at this point. Let me know if these work for you.

Amber Torres

Tribal Chairman

Walker River Paiute Tribe

775-773-2306 (Work)

775-530-6276 (Cell)

From: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
To: chairman@wrpt.us
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Sensitive sites
Date: Monday, August 13, 2018 7:37:00

Chairman: Thank you, I'll come down on Wednesday and pick it up from you, if your schedule permits.

Mike Baskerville
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From: chairman@wrpt.us <chairman@wrpt.us>
Sent: Wednesday, August 08, 2018 4:03 PM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Sensitive sites

Mike, I have the map ready to go of the areas that are sensitive to Walker River.

Amber Torres

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E-mail: chairman@wrpt.us

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: chairman@wrpt.us
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Lovelock Chairman info
Date: Monday, August 13, 2018 7:50:00

Thank you.

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Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 10:05 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Lovelock Chairman info

Mike, here is the information for the Chairman of the Lovelock Paiute Tribe, her name is Stephanie Rhodes at 775-422-5897 and her email is lptchair@gmail.com.

Amber Torres

Tribal Chairman

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5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable Amber Torres
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
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Dear Chairperson Torres:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

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Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: execsecretary@wrpt.org
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Sensitive Site Meeting - 1pm
Date: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 11:25:00

Thank you for confirming the meeting.

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From: execsecretary@wrpt.org <execsecretary@wrpt.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 10:52 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Cc: Amber Torres <chairman@wrpt.org>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Sensitive Site Meeting - 1pm

Confirming that Amber Torres, Chairman, WRPT will be in attendance along with her Environmental Team:
Tashina Jim; Jordan Ackley and our Cultural Consultant: Misty Benner.

Location: Council Chambers; Tribal Admin Building, Fallon Paiute Tribe.

Thank you,

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From: [Baskerville, Michael C CTV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Amber Torres](#)
Subject: Tribal Council DEIS
Date: Thursday, November 15, 2018 15:33:00

Chairman: The Navy requests the opportunity to address the Tribal Council at the December 13th Meeting for the purpose of providing a brief on the proposed Fallon Range Expansion DLEIS.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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4755 PASTURE ROAD
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5090
Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Amber Torres
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Chairperson Torres:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin, NV 89310

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

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900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

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5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: chairman@wrpt.org
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Agenda request for EIS on expansion
Date: Tuesday, January 08, 2019 11:57:00

Chairman: When is the next meeting?
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From: chairman@wrpt.org <chairman@wrpt.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2019 8:59 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Agenda request for EIS on expansion

Good evening Mike,

I was writing to see what had happened to you and your staff on our regular council meeting on December 13 as you were an agenda item and your were a no call, no show.

I hope all is well and you plan to attend our next meeting, although I have not heard from you in sometime? I will await a response from you. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Amber Torres

Tribal Chairman

Walker River Paiute Tribe

From: [Baskerville, Michael C.CIV.NAVFAC.SW](#)
To: [execsecretary@wrpt.org](#)
Cc: [Amber Torres; Rule, Robert M.CIV.NAVFAC.SW](#)
Subject: Agenda
Date: Monday, February 11, 2019 8:36:00

Ms. Frank;

This is a formal conformation that the Navy will be attending the Tribal Council Meeting on Thursday. Additionally, the Navy is requesting an agenda for that meeting.

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

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From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: tribalsecretary@plpt.nsn.us
Cc: [Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD](#); [Goodwin, Sara R CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
Subject: FRTC Brief
Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 11:27:00

Ms. Henry: It was nice to speak with you this morning. I understand that the Chairman is very busy this week and there won't be an opportunity for the Navy to provide a briefing on the proposed Fallon Training Range Expansion. As an alternative it has been suggested that we attend the Council Meeting on the 1st of March at 6:00 pm.

If anything above is incorrect please let me know.

I'll check with the individuals most likely to attend the meeting and get back with you once I have an answer.

Sincerely

Mike Baskerville

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To: [Amber Torres](#)
Cc: [Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESW/D](#); [Rule, Robert M CIV NAVFAC SW](#); [Klapec, Michael T CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Sensitive Site Meeting - 1pm
Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 15:07:00

Chairman Torres: Just spoke with Rob Rule, the Public Works Officer, Ed Rybold and my Supervisor to see if anybody had received a phone call or e-mail regarding the re-scheduling of the brief for tonight. Nobody has a record of having been contacted. As stated during our conversation when I spoke with your Secretary on Thursday afternoon the conversation was limited to her notifying me the meeting had been cancelled, that we needed to reschedule, and that I would be leaving shortly and would not be in until Tuesday and we could discuss it then.

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Thank you,

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From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: [Amber Torres; execsecretary@wrpt.org](#)
Cc: [Goodwin, Sara R CIV NAVFAC SW](#); [Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD](#); [Rule, Robert M CIV NAVFAC SW](#); [Burns, Patrick J GS13 NAWDC, N38](#)
Subject: Request
Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 15:51:00

Chairman Torres: The Navy is requesting to be placed on the agenda for the March Council Meeting to present the FRTC Brief.

From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV USN NAVFAC SW SAN CA \(USA\)](#)
To: execsecretary@wrpt.org
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Thursday, March 14, 2019 - Tribal Council Meeting
Date: Monday, March 11, 2019 11:31:00

Ellie: let me get with a few folks and find out if they can make it.

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From: execsecretary@wrpt.org <execsecretary@wrpt.org>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 11:28 AM
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV USN NAVFAC SW SAN CA (USA) <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>
Cc: Amber Torres <chairman@wrpt.org>; Sarah Lamkin <receptionist@wrpt.org>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Thursday, March 14, 2019 - Tribal Council Meeting

Good morning, Mike, I apologize for all the back and forth regarding the item you had on the previous Tribal Council Meeting agenda. I know you had asked to be placed on the agenda for the Briefing on the Proposed Fallon Range Expansion DLEIS back in February. We were having power issues at that time and I tried to reschedule but unfortunately that plan fell through.

Do you still want to be on the schedule to present? We have a meeting this Thursday at 6pm. Please let me know at your earliest convenience. Again, I apologize for the inconvenience.

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To: execsecretary@wrpt.org
Cc: [Amber Torres](#); [Sarah Lamkin](#); [Green, Wanda S CIV USN NAVFAC SW SAN CA \(US\)](#); [Goodwin, Sara R CIV \(USA\)](#)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Thursday, March 14, 2019 - Tribal Council Meeting
Date: Monday, March 11, 2019 14:37:00

Ellie: Talked to the folks that have the presentations and they are available to come down on Thursday; however, we will not be able to make it to the meeting until 6:30 because of the Cooperating/Tribal partnership meeting related to the FRTC is happening on the same day and it doesn't end until 5:00 pm.

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Cc: Amber Torres <chairman@wrpt.org>; Sarah Lamkin <receptionist@wrpt.org>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Thursday, March 14, 2019 - Tribal Council Meeting

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March 28, 2019

Amber Torres
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
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Dear Chairperson Torres:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Walker River Paiute Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



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5090
Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Amber Torres
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Chairperson Torres:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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5090
Ser N0000CF/0221
September 30, 2019

Amber Torres
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Chairperson Torres:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

- Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Amber Torres
Walker River Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 220
Schurz, NV 89427

Dear Chairperson Torres:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

From: [Rule, Robert M CTV USN \(USA\)](#)
To: [chairmen@wrpt.us](#)
Cc: [Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD.FALN](#); [Baskerville, Michael C CTV NAVFAC SW](#)
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Date: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:07:17 PM
Attachments: [Walker River Paiute Tribe CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf](#)

Chairperson Torres

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
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C.16 Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Neil Mortimer
Chairman
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairman Mortimer,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Neil Mortimer
Chairperson
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairperson Mortimer,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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November 10, 2016

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000**

5090
Ser N0000CF/0092
June 9, 2017

Neil Mortimer
Chairman
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairman Mortimer,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate

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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0112
July 5, 2017

Neil Mortimer
Chairman
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairman Mortimer,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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RECORD DATE: *7/5/17*
DISPOSE OF DATE: *N/A*
TIER LEVEL: *IV*

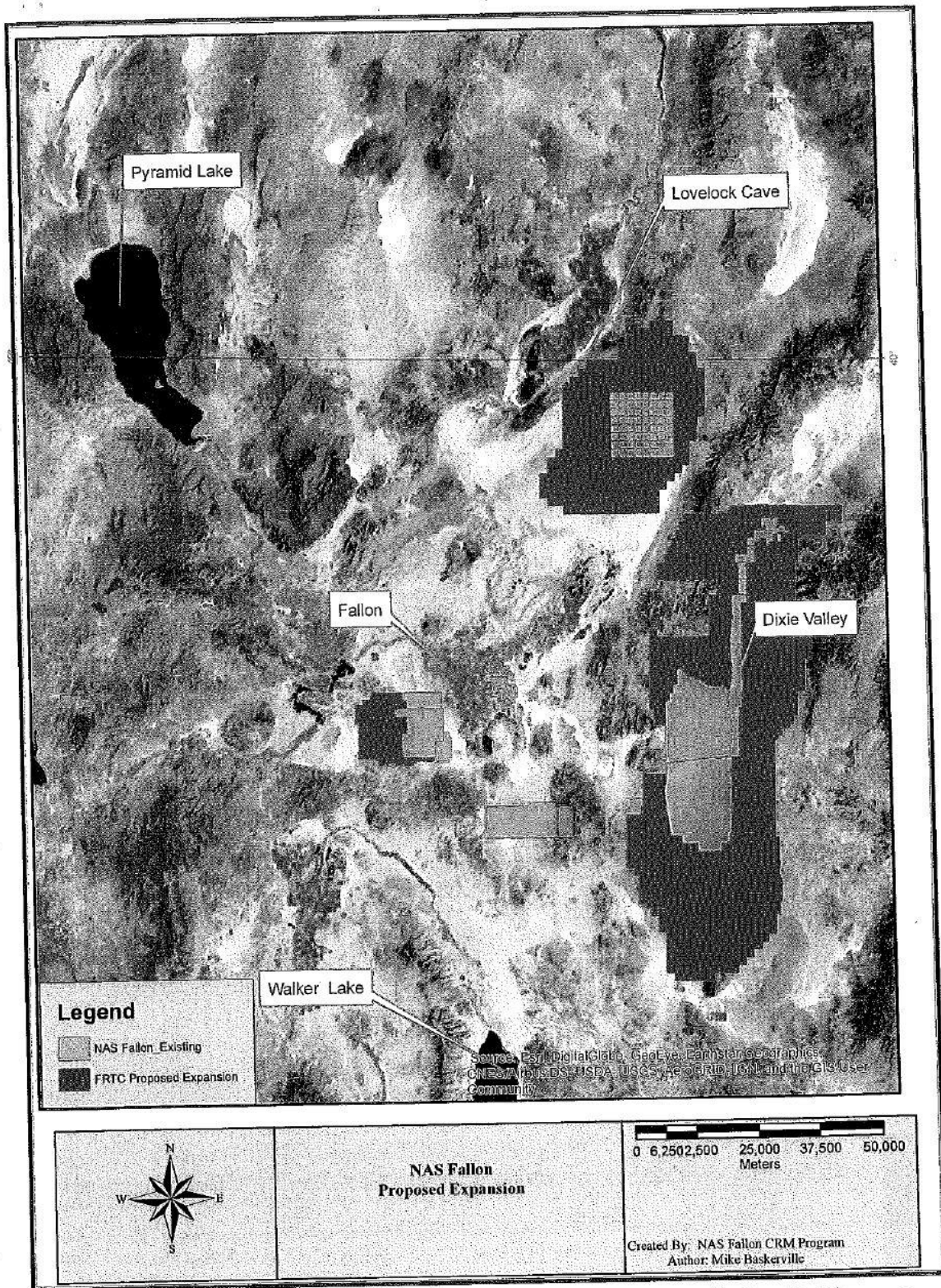
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1





DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable Neil Mortimer
Chairperson
Washoe Tribe of Nevada
919 Highway 395 S.
Gardnerville, Nevada 89410

Dear Chairperson Mortimer:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0239
November 7, 2018

The Honorable Neil Mortimer
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 U.S. Hwy. 395 N.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairperson Mortimer:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Neil Mortimer
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 U.S. Highway 395 N.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairperson Mortimer:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin, NV 89310

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Washoe Tribe of Nevada & California

919 U.S. Hwy 395 North
Gardnerville, Nevada 89410
Telephone: (775) 265-8600 Fax: (775) 265-6240

Tribal Officers

Chairman Serrell Smokey
Vice Chairman Rueben Vasquez



Washoe Tribal Council

Carson Community
Chairman, Roger McDonald
Vice-chairman, Chad Malone
Dresslerville Community
Chairman, Rueben A. Vasquez
Vice-chairman, Herman Fillmore
Stewart Community
Chairwoman, Blain Osorio
Vice-chairman, Darrel Kizer
Woodfords Community
Chairman, Irvin Jim
Vice-chairwoman Shannon, Guerrero
Off Reservation
Representative, Helen Fillmore
Representative, Jeanine Blue Horse
Reno/Sparks Reservation
Lorraine Keller, Representative

January 11, 2019

RE: Update on Recent Change in Office

Greetings,


The Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California is sending update on our recent change in office.

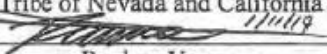
On October 20th, 2018 the Washoe Tribe conducted our 2018-2022 Tribal Elections.
As a direct result Chairman Elect, Serrell Smokey, was pronounced to the 2018-2022 Tribal Council term.

Vice Chairman Rueben Vasquez retained seat as Vice Chairman on Friday, December 14th, 2018 in Woodfords, CA. Chairman Serrell Smokey occupied his seat in office on December 14th, 2018 in Woodfords, CA.

Attached is our ***Official Tribal Council Officer List*** as notification and initial introduction.
Washoe Tribal Council Officers look forward to building and continuing our professional working relationship with you.

Best Regards,



Serrell Smokey
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California Chairman


Rueben Vasquez
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California Vice Chairman

2018–2022 Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California **Official List of**

Tribal Council Officers

Chairman of the Washoe Tribe – Serrell Smokey

Carson Community Chairman – Roger McDonald

Carson Community Vice Chairman – Chad Malone

Tribal Council Vice Chairman & Dresslerville Community
Chairman – Rueben Vasquez

Dresslerville Community Vice Chairman – Herman Fillmore

Stewart Community Chairman – Blain Osorio

Stewart Community Vice Chairman – Darrel Kizer

Woodfords Community Chairman – Irvin Jim

Woodfords Community Vice Chairman – Shannon Guerrero

Off Reservation Representative – Jeanine Blue Horse

Off Reservation Representative – Helen Fillmore

Reno Sparks Representative – Lorraine Keller



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0097
March 28, 2019

Serrell Smokey
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairman Smokey:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. L. Morrison".

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Serrell Smokey
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairperson Smokey:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0222
September 30, 2019

Serrell Smokey
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairman Smokey:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

- Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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5090
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Serrell Smokey
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Hwy. 395 S.
Gardnerville, NV 89410

Dear Chairperson Smokey:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:24 PM
To: 'Serrell.Smokey@washoetribe.us'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2018
Attachments: Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Smokey

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Casey Franco
Chairman
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairman Franco,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

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- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the 2015 *Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomics, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Casey Franco
Chairperson
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairperson Franco,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapiec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapiec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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June 9, 2017

Casey Franco
Chairman
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairman Franco,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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July 5, 2017

Casey Franco
Chairman
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairman Franco,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.


The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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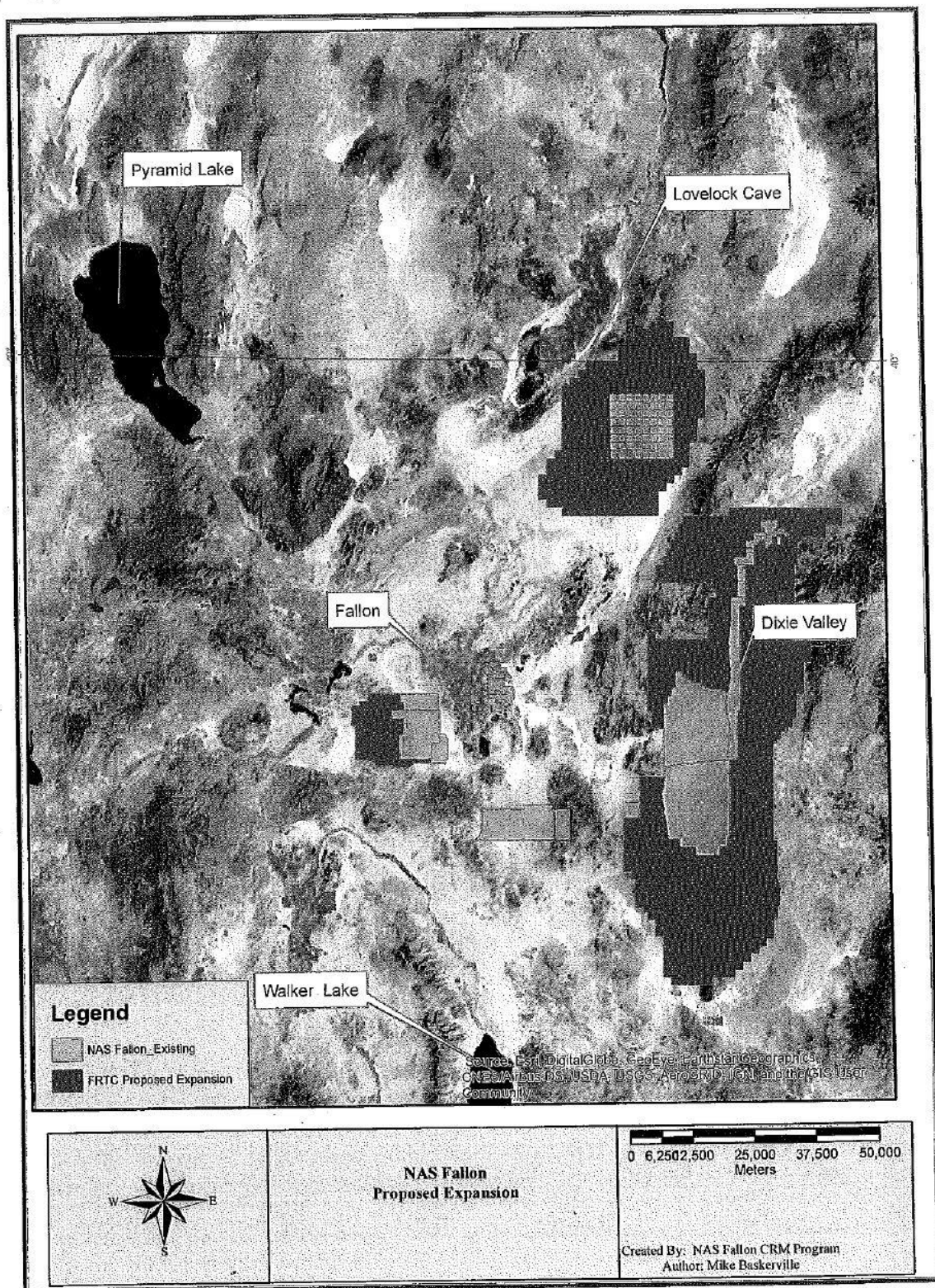
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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Casey Franco
Chairperson
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, Nevada 89835

Dear Chairperson Franco:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Casey Franco
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairperson Franco:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

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Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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Ser N5/0270
December 26, 2018

The Honorable Casey Franco
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairperson Franco:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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March 28, 2019

Casey Franco
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairman Franco:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Wells Band Council both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. L. Morrison", is written over a horizontal line.

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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September 5, 2019

The Honorable Casey Franco
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairperson Franco:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to read "E. L. Morrison", is positioned above the printed name.

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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September 30, 2019

Casey Franco
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairman Franco:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. L. MORRISON", is placed above the printed name.

E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Casey Franco
Wells Band Council
P.O. Box 809
Wells, NV 89835

Dear Chairperson Franco:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:05 PM
To: 'Francocasey47@yahoo.com'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Wells Band Council_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Franco

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Judy Rojo
Chairperson
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St.
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairperson Rojo,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE
FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION
OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND
WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the 2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:

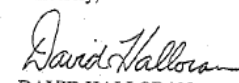
Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Judy Rojo
Chairperson
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairperson Rojo,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapac, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapac@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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June 9, 2017

Judy Rojo
Chairman
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St.
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairman Rojo,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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July 5, 2017

Eric Magiera
Chairman
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
P.O. Box 1370.
Winnemucca, NV 89446

Dear Chairman Magiera,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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RECORD DATE: 7/5/17
DISPOSE OF DATE: N/A
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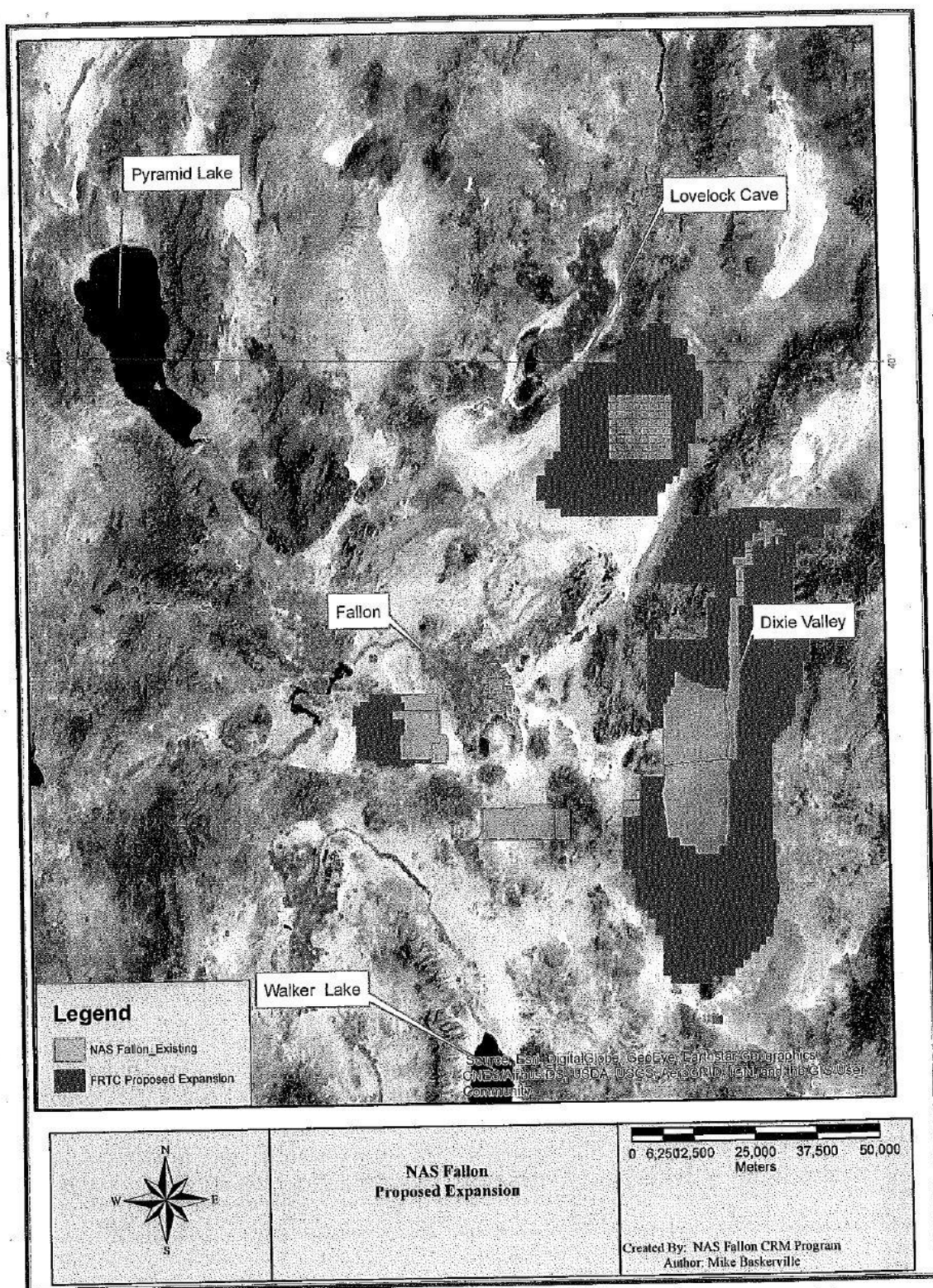
Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Eric Magiera
Chairperson
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
P.O. Box 1370
Reno, NV 89446

Dear Chairperson Magiera;

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Halloran".
DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Eric Magiera
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
P.O. Box 1370
Winnemucca, NV 89446

Dear Chairperson Magiera:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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5090
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December 26, 2018

The Honorable Judy Rojo
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St.
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairperson Rojo:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCMmodernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCMmodernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316


Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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March 28, 2019

Judy Rojo
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St.
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairperson Rojo:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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September 5, 2019

The Honorable Judy Rojo
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St.
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairperson Rojo:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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September 30, 2019

Judy Rojo
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St.
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairperson Rojo:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186
alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Judy Rojo
Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada
595 Humboldt St.
Reno, NV 89509

Dear Chairperson Rojo:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:08 PM
To: 'gagoo2009@gmail.com'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Rojo

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

C.19 Yerington Paiute Tribe



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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August 25, 2016

The Honorable Laurie Thom
Chairman
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairman Thom,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

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- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multipurpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.
7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:


Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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November 10, 2016

The Honorable Laurie Thom
Chairperson
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.AK
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapec, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapec@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000**

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June 9, 2017

Laurie Thom
Chairman
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairman Thom,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting).
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,

David Halloran
DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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July 5, 2017

Laurie Thom
Chairman
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairman Thom,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

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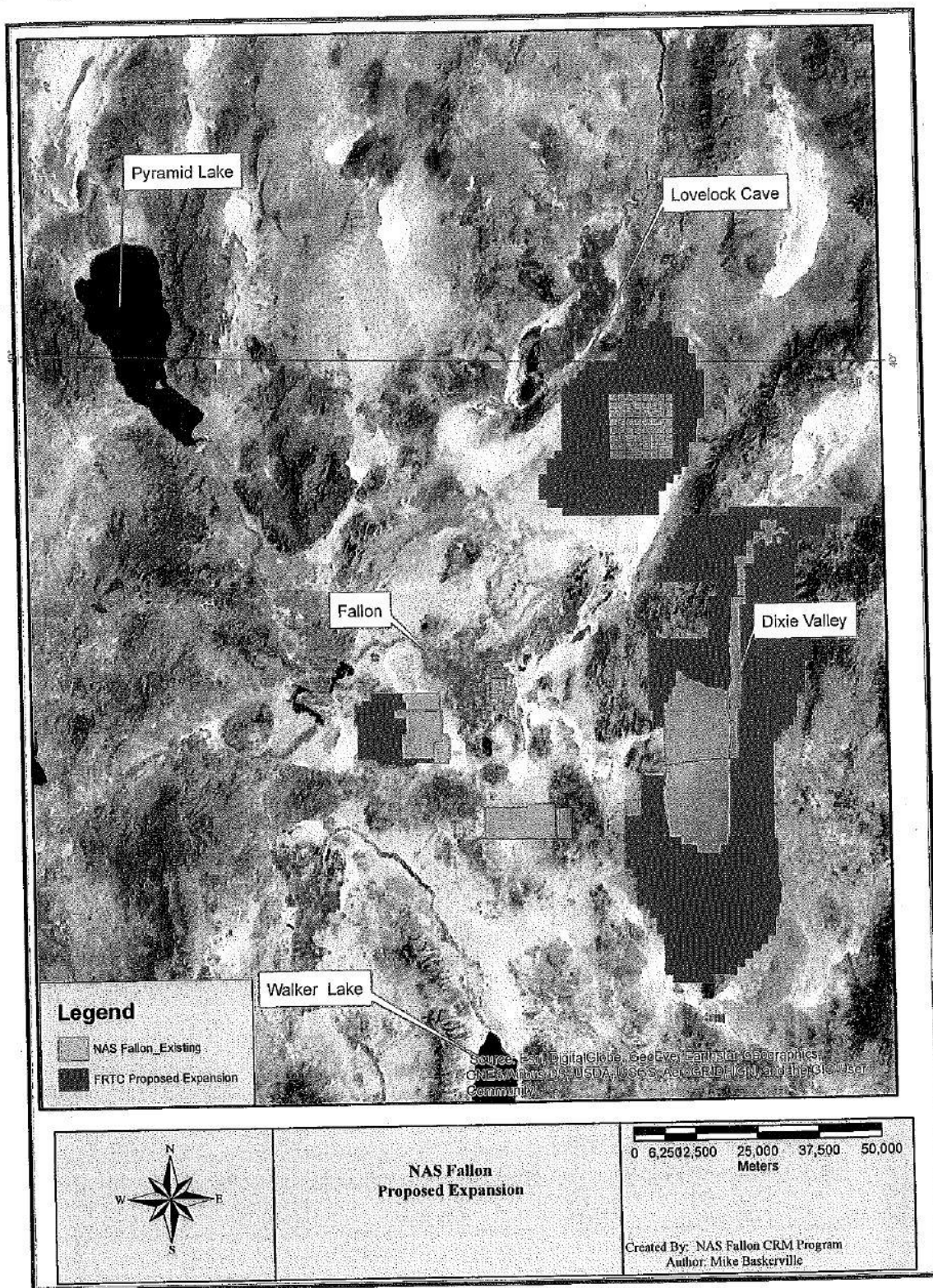
Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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May 9, 2018

The Honorable Laurie Thom
Chairperson
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Lane
Yerington, Nevada 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NEVADA 89496-5000

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July 30, 2018

The Honorable Laurie A. Thom
Chairman
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Lane
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairman Thom:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION SENSITIVE
PROPERTIESCONSULTATION

The Navy has defined the special use air space it has been assigned by the Federal Aviation Administration as the Area of Potential Effect (APE) for the proposed Fallon Range Complex Modernization. (Enclosure).

In order to account for impacts to culturally sensitive sites located within the APE and to account for those effects in the preparation of the National Environmental Policy Act and the National Historic Preservation Act analysis and documentation, the Navy proposes to have a meeting with the tribal government, cultural committee, elders, and any interested individual tribal members who may have information related to the location of sensitive sites within the APE associated with this undertaking (See Enclosure). At the meeting the Navy would also present information it has previously collected through background research and ask those present to offer any comments they might have on such information, with respect to accuracy, relevance, completeness.

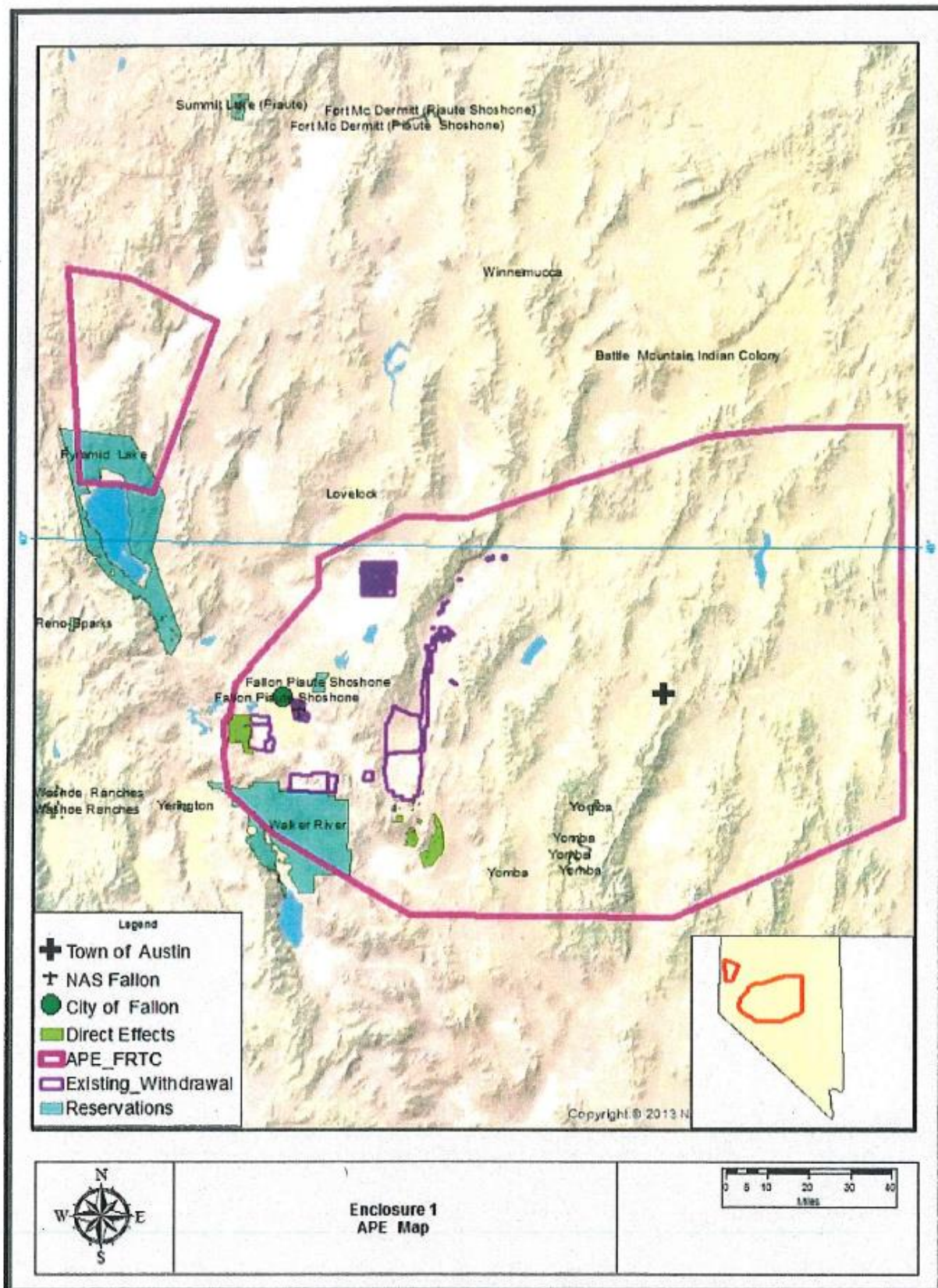
The Navy is proposing to have the meeting on August 15, 2018 to discuss this matter with the tribe. Please coordinate directly with Mike Baskerville at (775)426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil as to whether the proposed date would be convenient for the Tribe, and in terms of arranging a time and location.

Sincerely,

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MICHAEL T. KLAPEC, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Director
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosure: Map of FRTC APE
Copy to: Mike Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon





DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
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5090
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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Laurie Thom
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln.
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCMmodernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

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December 26, 2018

The Honorable Laurie Thom
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Lane
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

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Gabbs, NV 89409

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1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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March 28, 2019

Laurie Thom
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Lane
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Yerington Paiute Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Laurie Thom
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln.
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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September 30, 2019

Laurie Thom
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln.
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Laurie Thom
Yerington Paiute Tribe
171 Campbell Ln
Yerington, NV 89447

Dear Chairperson Thom:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:08 PM
To: 'Lthom@ypt-nsn.gov'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Yerington Paiute Tribe_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Thom

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748

C.20 Yomba Shoshone Tribe



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0150
August 25, 2016

The Honorable James Birchman, Jr.
Chairman
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairman Birchman,

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND TO ANNOUNCE SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC), located in northern Nevada. This proposed modernization would include expanding land ranges, modifying airspace, and renewing public land withdrawals. The Department of the Navy (Navy) is asking for your input and involvement, which are important to the development of an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

The FRTC is the Navy's premier aviation training range. It includes land training ranges and Special Use Airspace in northern Nevada, approximately 65 miles east of the city of Reno. The current FRTC bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s, or earlier in many cases. However, warfare technology has continued to change. In response to these changes, the Navy conducted a training capabilities study. This study concluded that the FRTC's training capabilities currently do not, and, in the future, will not meet the real-world needs of the U.S. military. Therefore, to address these shortcomings, the Navy proposes to modernize and expand the FRTC's land ranges, airspace, and infrastructure. The proposed modernization would also enhance the safety and security of local and regional populations and infrastructure.

The Navy proposes to:

- Renew 202,859 acres of existing public land withdrawal that expires in November 2021;
- Withdraw and reserve for military use approximately 604,789 acres of additional public land to expand existing land ranges;

August 25, 2016

- Acquire approximately 65,160 acres of non-federal land to expand existing land ranges;
- Expand associated Special Use Airspace and reconfigure existing airspace;
- Conduct the same general types and tempos of aviation and ground training as analyzed in Alternative 2 of the *2015 Military Readiness Activities at Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, Final Environmental Impact Statement*; and
- Upgrade range infrastructure to support expansion and modernization.

Environmental Analysis

The EIS will include an analysis of potential impacts on environmental resource areas including: soils; air quality/climate; water resources and quality; airborne noise; biological resources; land use and recreation; socioeconomic, environmental justice, and protection of children; transportation; cultural resources; Native American traditional resources; and public health and safety. Your input in identifying other specific issues and resource areas that should be assessed in the EIS will greatly aid our analysis. The EIS will also address the cumulative impacts of the direct and indirect effects of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions on the human environment. No decisions about the Proposed Action or any real estate actions would be taken until this EIS effort is complete. The Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will participate as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period will be open from August 26, 2016, through November 25, 2016. During this time, we welcome any comments you may have regarding the proposed project.

The Navy is holding a series of meetings to discuss the project and to determine the type and scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Each of the seven scoping meetings will begin with a brief presentation about the project, followed by an open house with information stations staffed by Navy representatives.

Seven open house information sessions will be held:

1. Monday, October 3, 2016, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406.
2. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Pershing County Community Center, 820 6th Street, Lovelock, NV 89419.
3. Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road, Reno, NV 89512.
4. Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Emma Nevada Town Hall, 135 Court Street, Austin, NV 89310.
5. Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eureka Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room, 431 McCoy Street, Eureka, NV 89316.
6. Friday, October 7, 2016, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Hawthorne Convention Center, 950 E Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415.

7. Friday, October 7, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Gabbs School Gymnasium, 511 E Avenue, Gabbs, NV 89409.

The Navy requests and welcomes comments. Comments may be submitted at the scoping meetings, online at www.FRTCModernization.com, or via postal mail to:

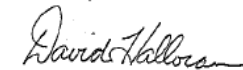
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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Comments must be postmarked by November 25, 2016. All timely comments will be considered in preparation of the Draft EIS.

The Navy is aware of the significant value of natural and cultural resources of Native American Tribes and Nations within the FRTC Modernization EIS study area. The purpose of this letter is to formally initiate Government-to-Government consultation in accordance with legislation, Executive Orders, regulations and policy, including sections 101 and 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800.

We look forward to working with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would in fact greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Ms. Robin Michel, Naval Air Station Fallon Cultural Resources Manager, will be contacting your staff in the coming days to discuss the possibility of scheduling such a meeting. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Michel at robin.michel@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ser N0000CF/0227
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Darryl Brady
Chairperson
Yomba Shosone Tribe
HC 61 P.O. Box 6235
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairperson Brady,

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION: EXPANSION OF LAND RANGES, AIRSPACE
MODIFICATIONS, AND PUBLIC LAND WITHDRAWAL RENEWAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the Commander, United States (U.S.) Pacific Fleet (PACFLT) has extended the comment period for the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until December 12, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on August 25, 2016, the Navy is preparing an EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the FRTC. This proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, and modifying airspace.

Scoping Process

A 90-day scoping period was initiated on Friday, August 26, 2016. Based on public feedback, the scoping comment period has been extended to Monday, December 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or via postal mail to:

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1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Klapac, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Environmental Program Director, at michael.klapac@navy.mil or 775-426-2244 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
4755 PASTURE ROAD BL 307
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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Ms. Susan Jamerson
Environmental Director, Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Ms. Jamerson:

Thank you for taking the time to attend the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Consortium. Please ensure you, or your tribe's designated representative reaches out to Mike Klapec, at (775) 426-2244 or michael.klapec@navy.mil, to request additional information or set up a meeting. We look forward to consulting with your tribe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank W. Carroll", is positioned above the printed name.

FRANK W. CARROLL
Commander, U.S. Navy
Public Works Officer



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000**

5090
Ser N0000CF/0092
June 9, 2017

Daryl Brady
Chairman
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairman Brady,

**SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVES DEVELOPMENT MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE
TRAINING COMPLEX (FRTC) MODERNIZATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**

This letter is to formally invite you to a meeting with Stakeholders to develop alternatives based upon the comments received from public scoping conducted in conjunction with the development of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) associated with the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC).

The meeting will be held at 8:00 am, on June 22, 2017, at Naval Air Station Fallon in Building 77 (Multi-Purpose Room). The agenda includes, but not limited to, the following items:

- Introductions / Meeting goals and format.
- Quickly review purpose and need.
- Constraints mapping. Discuss priorities of constraints.
- Discussion of allowable uses.
- Alternatives mapping.
- Approach to analysis comment review (time permitting)
- Summary, action item review, next steps

Given the sensitivity of the pre-decisional nature of the discussion topics, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released.

Please contact Mr. Michael Baskerville if you plan to attend or have any questions related to the meeting. You may contact Mr. Baskerville via e-mail at michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil or by phone at 775-426-3027.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN

Attachment: Non-Disclosure Certificate

January 2020



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0112
July 5, 2017

Daryl Brady
Chairman
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairman Brady,

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX EXPANSION CULTURAL
PROPERTIES IDENTIFICATION

As you are aware, Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) is proposing the modernization (Enclosure 1) of its current training areas in order to better train US Naval Forces in the use of modern weapons and the tactics of near military competitors. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documenting the anticipated environmental effects of the proposal is being developed. Portions of that EIS will analyze the impacts of various alternatives on Cultural Properties. In order to perform these analyses, the Navy must first identify what cultural properties exist and assess their potential eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. To date the identification efforts have consisted of background research and pedestrian inventories.

The Navy is requesting the assistance of regional tribal governments to assist in the further identification and evaluation of cultural properties potentially relevant to the EIS by placing the Navy in contact with tribal members who have an expert knowledge related to traditional cultural practices and sacred site locations. In asking for such assistance, the Navy promises to make every reasonable effort, consistent with applicable law, to withhold from public disclosure any specific information that the Tribe identifies as confidential, such as the locations of any sensitive cultural resources. Efforts to protect confidentiality would include, but not be limited to, utilizing any applicable exemptions or exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, while encouraging the Tribe to take part in this process of identification and evaluation, I note that the Navy remains subject to the FOIA as a general matter, and the agencies with whom the Navy would likely need to share information provided by the Tribe in order to support eligibility determinations, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Bureau of Land Management are likewise subject to applicable laws regarding the release of government records (including, for the SHPO, any applicable state laws). Consequently, the Navy encourages the Tribe to seek the advice of its own legal counsel before providing culturally sensitive information to the Department of Defense.

RECORD OWNER: Ev. Palmer
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DISPOSE OF DATE: 1/1/19
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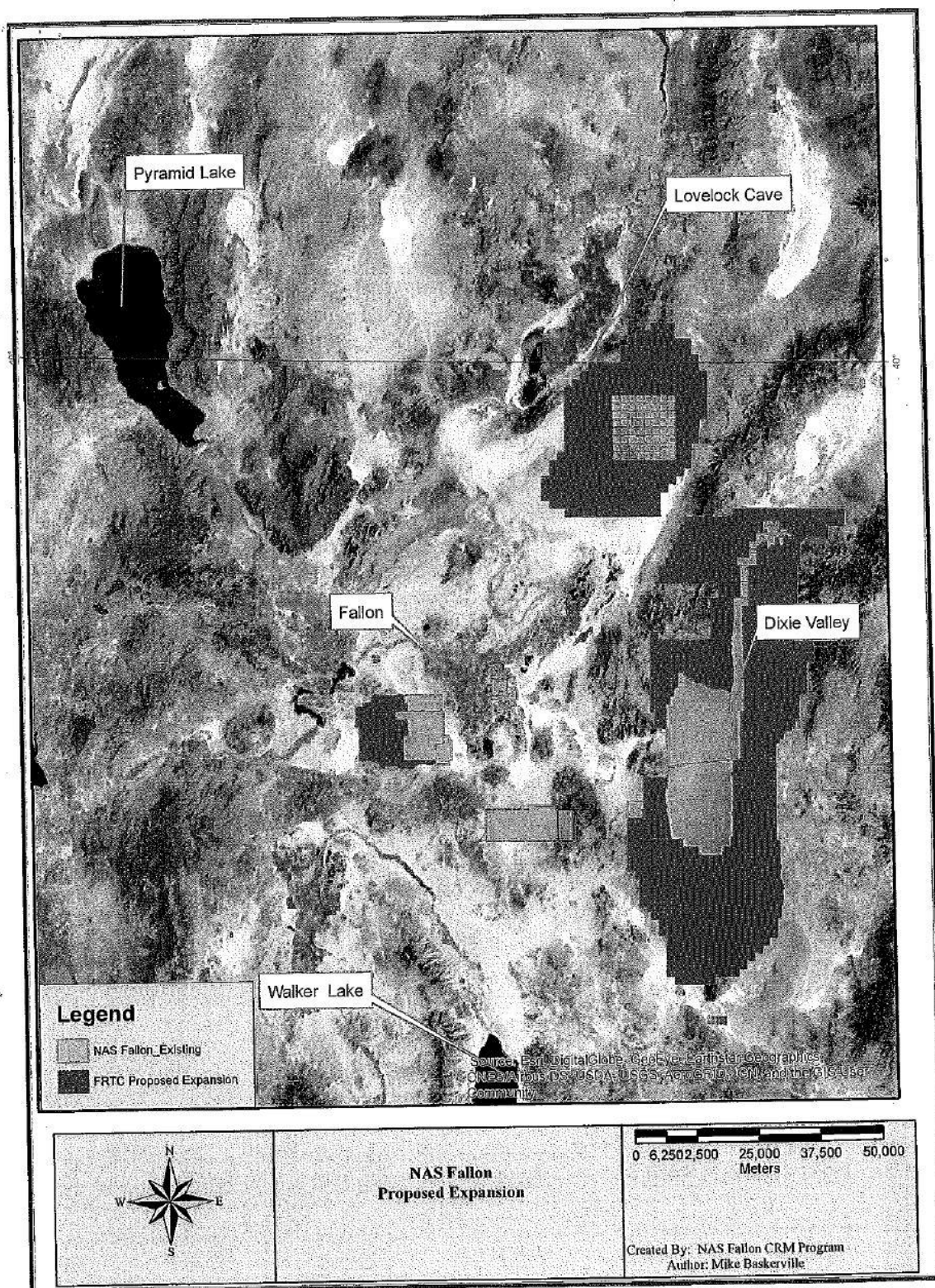
Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure 1



Enclosure (1)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NEVADA 89496-5000

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November 28, 2017

Mr. Daryl Brady
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairman Brady:

SUBJECT: CULTURAL INVENTORY RESULTS PROPOSED FRTC EXPANSION

Enclosed for your information and comment is a report entitled A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory of 14,062 Acres for the Proposed Land Withdrawal for Naval Air (NAS) Fallon, Churchill, Mineral, and Nye Counties, Nevada.

The inventory was conducted on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District- Stillwater Field Office (12,643.5 acres), Bureau of Reclamation-Mid-Pacific Region (1,231.8 acres), Department of Defense-NAS Fallon (45.7 acres), and private lands (141.0 acres). The inventories were conducted to identify cultural resources located within proposed target and maneuver areas associated with Alternative 1 of the proposed NAS Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

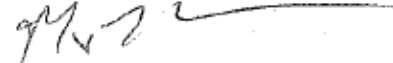
A total of 202 archaeological sites were newly recorded or updated as part of the current project (146 prehistoric, 38 historic, and 18 multicomponent).

The information contained within the report will be used to assess the impact of the actions associated with Alternative 1 (the "Proposed Action" as announced in August 2016). Please note that we are currently conducting further surveys to supplement this report with respect to Alternative 1, and that additional survey work may be required in the event that a different or modified alternative is ultimately identified in the EIS as the Navy's preferred alternative. Thus we may subsequently be providing additional information for your review; however, since this report provides the cultural resource information we have collected thus far, we would greatly appreciate your review of the report at this time. Accordingly, we ask that you please complete your review and provide any comments by January 6, 2018.

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Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at
(775)426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL T. KLAPEC, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Manager
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. Cultural Resource Inventory



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0101
May 9, 2018

The Honorable Daryl Brady
Chairperson
Yomba Shoshone
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, Nevada 89310

Dear Chairperson Brady:

Subj: REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION PRELIMINARY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

Encl: (1) Non-Disclosure Certificate

This letter is to formally invite you to review of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Preliminary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (PDEIS) from May 15, 2018 to June 15, 2018. This review is for Cooperating Agencies and Tribal Participants only. The public will have an opportunity for a 90-day review of the Draft EIS in the Fall of 2018. Given the sensitivity of the information and the pre-decisional nature of this document in this stage of the National Environmental Policy Act process, we request a completed non-disclosure certificate to ensure the information is protected until such time it is released to the public.

The PDEIS will be available on the Navy's e-repository website. Upon receipt of the signed non-disclosure certificate, the Navy will send you the access information for the website, along with your personal user-ID and password information. The user-ID and password are required to gain access to the site to review the PDEIS. The PDEIS comments are due June 15, 2018. Comments received after June 15th may not be included in the Draft EIS. The next commenting period will be during the public Draft EIS commenting period in Fall 2018.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person to answer any questions you may have concerning the PDEIS or to assist you with any technical needs associated with commenting, and would greatly appreciate an opportunity to do so in the near term, at a time and location convenient for you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Mr. Michael Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon Installation Cultural Resources Manager, at michael.e.baskervill@navy.mil or 775-426-3027 if you have any questions concerning the proposed project.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON, NEVADA 89496-5000

5090
Ser N0000CF/0146
July 10, 2018

The Honorable Daryl Brady
Chairman
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairman Brady:

**SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION SENSITIVE
PROPERTIES CONSULTATION**

The Department of the Navy (Navy) would like to thank you for your Tribe's participation in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) Modernization Cooperating Agency/Tribal Participant meetings. The Navy realizes that these meetings may not have been the optimal place to discuss information related to potential impacts to culturally sensitive sites.

In order to account for impacts to culturally sensitive sites within preparation of National Environmental Policy Act and National Historic Preservation Act analysis and documentation, the Navy proposes to have a meeting with the tribal government, cultural committee, elders, and any interested individual tribal members who may have information related to the location of sensitive sites within the Area of Potential Effect (APE) associated with this undertaking (See Enclosure). At the meeting the Navy would also present information it has previously collected through background research and ask those present to offer any comments they might have on such information, with respect to accuracy, relevance, completeness.

The Navy is proposing to have the meeting on August 1, 2018. Please coordinate directly with Mike Baskerville at (775) 426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil as to whether the proposed date would be convenient for the Tribe, and in terms of arranging a time and location.

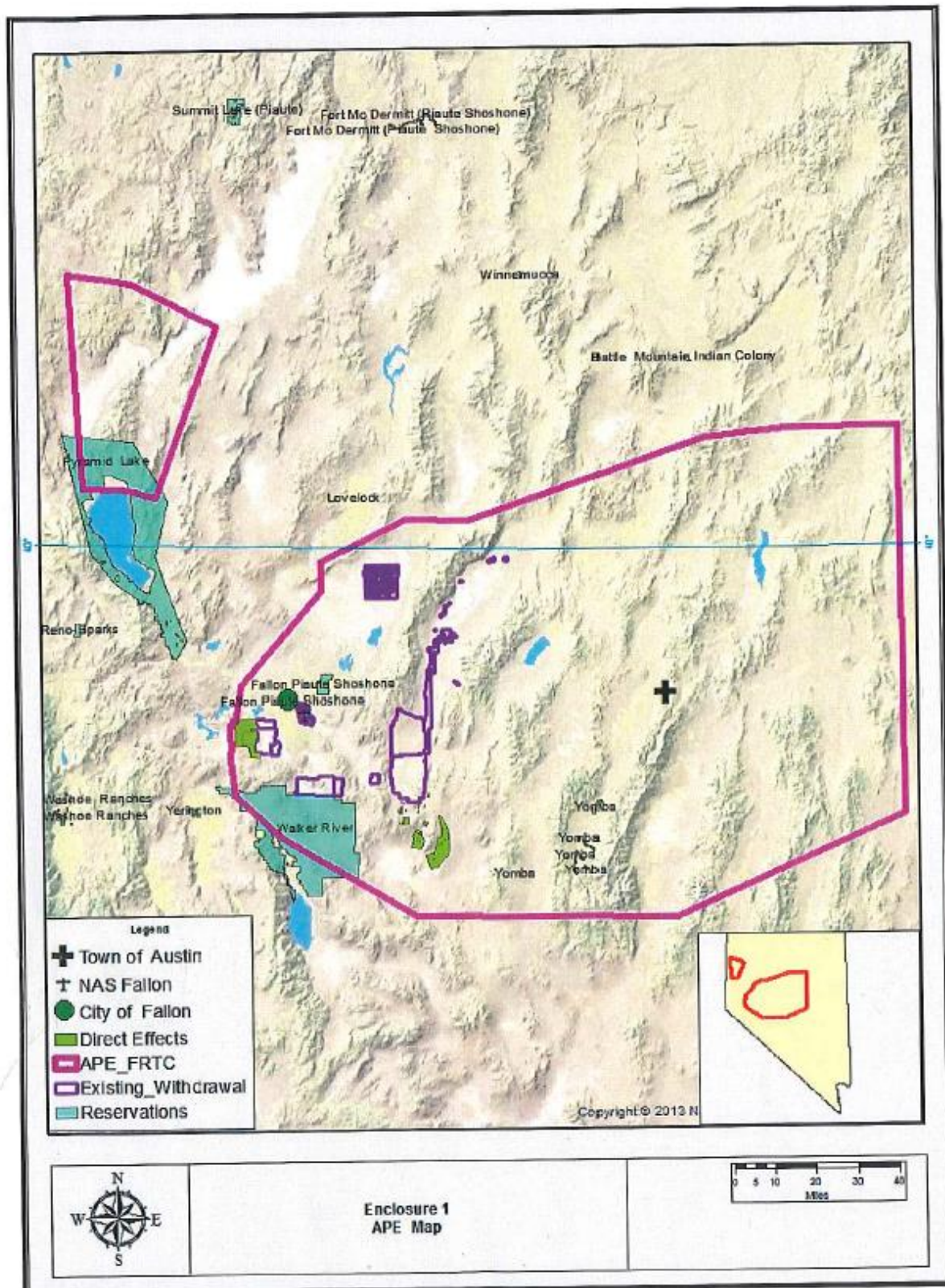
Sincerely,

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Michael T. Klapac, P.E.
Installation Environmental Program Director
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosure: Map of FRTC APE

Copy to: Mike Baskerville, Naval Air Station Fallon



From: [Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW](#)
To: tribalchair@yombatribe.org
Cc: [Kelley, Amy P CIV NAVFAC SW, FISO](#); [Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD](#)
Subject: NAS Fallon Sensitive Sites
Date: Wednesday, July 25, 2018 14:23:00

Dear Chairman Brady: on July 10, 2018 a letter requesting a meeting to discuss the location of sensitive or important cultural sites was sent to the Tribes from NAS Fallon. Having this discussion is important to analyzing the impacts to cultural properties that may be directly or indirectly effected by the proposed Fallon Range Modernization Project. I realize that this is just one of many concerns for the tribe; however, the Navy would like the opportunity to present what information it has and to gather any additional information required to make and accurate affects assessment.

The letter that was sent suggested a meeting date of August 1, 2018; is it possible to meet on that date or is another date more suitable?

Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD

From: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2018 14:25
To: tribelchair@yombatribe.org
Cc: Kelley, Amy P CIV NAVFAC SW, FISD; Green, Wanda S CIV NAVFAC SW, ESWD
Subject: NAS Fallon Sensitive Sites

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Baskerville, Michael C CIV USN NAVFAC SW SAN CA (USA)

From: Sarah Caligiuri <water@yombatribe.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 16:34
To: Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re: NAS Fallon Range Modernization Project

Thank you Mr. Baskerville, for your response.

Since the Yomba Shoshone Tribe is within the Area of Potential Effect, we would like to be involved with future discussions regarding the Fallon Range Training Complex Consultations.

Our Acting Tribal Chairman is Ronald Snooks and I, Sarah Caligiuri, oversee the Environmental and Cultural Resources within the Yomba Shoshone Tribe's Area of Interest.

Please address all future notices to Acting Chairman Snooks, if you provide notices over email you can send notices to this email address: water@yombatribe.org <mailto:water@yombatribe.org> Thank you for your attention,

Sarah Caligiuri MJIL
Office of Environmental Protection Director
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
water@yombatribe.org <mailto:water@yombatribe.org>

(775) 964-2463 ex.111

"Every society needs educated people, but the primary responsibility of educated people is to bring wisdom back into the community and make it available to others so that the lives they are leading make sense."
Vine Deloria Jr.

On Tue, Aug 28, 2018 at 2:18 PM, Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW <michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil
<mailto:michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil> > wrote:

To Whom It May Concern:

The Navy would appreciate the opportunity to discuss with tribe locations of sites of tribal concern (sensitive sites). The Navy has determined that the Area of Potential Effect for the proposed NAS Fallon Range Modernization Project includes the entirety of the FAA designated Air Space for NAS Fallon. This determination is based on multiple verbal comments received from tribes.

As you may be aware this Airspace is extending from Fallon to Austin, Nevada. through background research the Navy has identified many sensitive sites and would like to discuss with the Tribe the potential for additional sites. This information along with any additional discussions related to this matter will be used to assess impacts.

Mike Baskerville

Cultural Resource Program Manager

NAS Fallon

michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil <mailto:michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil>

(775) 426-3027



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
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November 7, 2018

The Honorable Daryl Brady
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairperson Brady:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment, and the Navy will hold seven meetings throughout northern Nevada to inform you about the proposal and the results of the environmental impact analysis. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft EIS. In addition, the Navy welcomes the opportunity to schedule a presentation with your office on this project. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100 percent of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s. However, newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges.

In response to technological and tactical advancements, the Navy conducted a comprehensive analysis, referred to as the *Ninety Days to Combat* study, to determine the land and airspace needed to meet combat training requirements for modern aircraft and weapons systems. The analysis showed that the current size of the Fallon Ranges severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. The proposed modernization would provide more realistic training capabilities while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The Navy's proposal to modernize the Fallon Ranges would include:

- Renewal of the current public land withdrawal
- Land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land
- Airspace expansion and modifications
- Upgrades to range infrastructure

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The Navy is not proposing to change the level or type of training from what is stated in the 2015 Military Readiness Activities Fallon Range Training Complex EIS. Activities would be redistributed across the expanded ranges for more efficient use of the training space. No decisions about the proposed modernization would be made or any real estate actions taken until this EIS effort is complete.

The Navy will be holding seven meetings to provide information and give you an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIS. Meetings will include an open-house information session, during which time Navy representatives will be available to provide information and answer questions. A brief Navy presentation and oral comment session will occur at approximately the beginning of the second hour of the meetings. Written and oral comments will be accepted at each meeting.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Hawthorne Convention Center
932 E St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Date: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Gabbs School Gymnasium
511 E Ave.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Austin Town Hall
135 Court St.
Austin, NV 89310

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Eureka Opera House, Grand Hall
31 S. Main St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fallon Convention Center
100 Campus Way
Fallon, NV 89406

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Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: C Punch Inn and Casino, Kumiva Room
1420 Cornell Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: West 2nd Events Center
600 W. 2nd St.
Reno, NV 89503

To review the Draft EIS and for additional information, please visit the project website at www.FRTCModernization.com. The Draft EIS is also available at the following public libraries:

Austin Branch Library
88 Main St.
Austin, NV 89310

Carson City Library
900 N. Roop St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Fallon, NV 89406

Crescent Valley Branch Library
5045 Tenabo Ave.
Crescent Valley, NV 89821

Downtown Reno Library
301 S. Center St.
Reno, NV 89501

Eureka Branch Library
80 S. Monroe St.
Eureka, NV 89316

Fernley Branch Library
575 Silver Lace Blvd.
Fernley, NV 89408

Gabbs Community Library
602 Third St.
Gabbs, NV 89409

Mineral County Library
110 First St.
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Ave.
Lovelock, NV 89419

Yerington Branch Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447

The comment period will begin November 16, 2018, and end January 15, 2019. All comments must be postmarked or received online by January 15, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS.

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Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com, at the meetings, or
by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS
and meetings by sharing this information with your staff.

Sincerely,


DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Hard copy of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft EIS



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
4755 PASTURE ROAD
FALLON NV 89496-5000

5090
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December 26, 2018

The Honorable Daryl Brady
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairperson Brady:

SUBJECT: COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING
COMPLEX MODERNIZATION DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Navy has extended the review and comment period by an additional 30 days for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to allow additional time for the submission of comments. Comments may now be submitted until **February 14, 2019**, for consideration in the Final EIS.

As described in the letter mailed to you on November 14, 2018, the Navy prepared a Draft EIS to assess the potential environmental impacts of modernizing the Fallon Ranges. Proposed modernization would include renewing the Navy's current public land withdrawal, expanding land ranges through the additional withdrawal of public lands and the acquisition of non-federal land, expanding and modifying airspace, and upgrading range infrastructure.

The review and comment period for the Draft EIS was initiated on November 16, 2018. Based on feedback, the Draft EIS comment period has been extended to Thursday, February 14, 2019. Comments may be submitted online at www.FRTCModernization.com or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
Code EV21.SG
1220 Pacific Highway
Building 1, 5th Floor
San Diego, CA 92132

All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be responded to in the Final EIS.

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We look forward to continuing to work with you to address any concerns you may have on this project. We are available to meet with you and your staff in person. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Mr. Robert Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer, at robert.rule@navy.mil or 775-426-2925.

Please help the Navy inform all interested individuals about the availability of the Draft EIS and comment period extension by sharing this information with your staff and community.

Sincerely,



DAVID HALLORAN
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5009

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March 28, 2019

Daryl Brady
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairman Brady:

SUBJECT: FALLON RANGE TRAINING MODERNIZATION PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT

This letter is to inform you that Naval Air Station Fallon proposes to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) in association with the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization Undertaking. In implementing the Undertaking, the Navy would be carrying out a variety of projects that would be funded in entirety by the United States Navy. Projects associated with this undertaking would be incremental, and a phased approach would be utilized for the identification and treatment of historic properties, as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.4(2).

The United States Navy wishes to extend an invitation to the Yomba Shoshone Tribe both to review and comment on the Navy's proposed PA, and ultimately to sign the PA as a Concurring Party.

We encourage your participation in the development of the PA and will forward you the draft no later than June 1, 2019.

Please direct all inquiries related to this correspondence to Michael Baskerville at 775-426-3027 or michael.c.baskervill@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Copy to: Michael Baskerville



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
Ser N5/0188
September 5, 2019

The Honorable Daryl Brady
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairperson Brady:

Subj: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX
MODERNIZATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
COOPERATING AGENCY REVIEW

Encl: (1) Making Comments Using the Document Commenting System (DCS)

The U.S. Navy has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modernization of the Fallon Range Training Complex, located in northern Nevada. The document is now available for your review and comment. The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the cooperating agency in preparation of the final EIS. Agencies can find the final EIS at <https://thedcs.org/> and follow the instructions in enclosure (1).

The Fallon Range Training Complex is the Navy's premier aviation training range, supporting aviation and ground training, including live-fire training. The Navy trains 100% of deploying naval aviation and naval special warfare units at the Fallon Ranges. The current bombing ranges have not changed substantially in size or configuration since the 1990s and this severely restricts the extent the Navy can use its weapons systems to train for combat. Newer-generation aircraft and weapons have outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. Modernization of the Fallon Ranges would provide training capabilities that are more realistic and needed to counter evolving current and future threats worldwide, while maintaining the safety of local communities.

The comment period will begin September 9, 2019 through October 10, 2019. All comments must be submitted into the Document Commenting System (DCS) by October 10, 2019, for consideration in the Final EIS. All comments submitted during the comment period will become part of the public record and substantive comments will be addressed in the Final EIS. To review the Final EIS, please follow the instructions on enclosure (1). This document will take you through how to log into DCS and how to provide comments. If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact Larry Wolski at 858-345-1951.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

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September 30, 2019

Ronald Snooks
Yomba Shoshone
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin, NV 89310

Dear Chairman Snooks:

SUBJ: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

The Department of the Navy (Navy) invites your participation in a consultation to amend the 2011 *Naval Air Station Fallon Programmatic Agreement among Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties on Lands Managed by Naval Air Station, Fallon, NV* (2011 PA), consistent with Stipulation X of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) and 36 CFR 800.14(b). As proposed, the amendment would apply the processes of the current PA to ensure appropriate review and consultation on future undertakings related to the proposed modernization and operation of the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) in northern Nevada.

Enclosed for your review are the existing 2011 PA Enclosure (1) and the proposed draft Amendment Enclosure (2). Should you wish, the Navy will arrange to meet in person or by telephone to address any questions or concerns.

Please send all comments on this PA Amendment, or meeting requests, to Navy Region Southwest Cultural Resources Program Manager, Mr. Alex Bethke at (619)532-4186 alexander.bethke@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

- Enclosures: 1. NAS Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)
2. Draft Amendment to the NAS-Fallon Programmatic Agreement (2011)



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON
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FALLON, NV 89496-5000

5090
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December 4, 2019

The Honorable Ronald Snooks
Yomba Shoshone Tribe
HC 61 Box 6275
Austin NV 89310

Dear Chairperson Snooks:

Subj: NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON COMMANDING OFFICER INVITATION LETTER
TO NEVADA TRIBAL LEADERS

This letter follows up on the November 6, 2019 meeting regarding the Navy's proposed amendment of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the protection of historic properties in the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC). I appreciate the time and investment of many tribal members in attending the meeting and responding to Navy communications about the proposed expansion of the FRTC.

Through our discussions at the meeting and through substantive written communications from tribal leaders, it is clear to me that the Navy must do more to respond to tribal concerns for cultural resources in the FRTC. Key among these concerns are access restrictions, adequacy of measures to identify and understand cultural resources in the proposed range areas, past harms to cultural sites, and the potential harm to burials. Let me assure you that the Navy takes these important concerns seriously.

In continuation of our ongoing government-to-government consultation, I respectfully request your participation in face-to-face meetings on December 18, 2019 at 1:00-4:00 pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room, at the Richard H. Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701. My goals for the meeting will be to outline specific Navy proposals to address the following:

- An overview of cultural resources survey efforts to date
- A plan to partner with tribes to continue survey and identification efforts over time
- An overview of how the proposed amended PA would be implemented
- The proposed support for tribal access
- Protection of tribal burials
- A commitment to continue meeting with tribal leadership throughout the process

The Navy is committed to working in partnership with the tribes for the long-term. As Commanding Officer, I remain committed to improving the installation's relationships with the tribes and maximize the protection of cultural resources. Since our last meeting, I have reached out to the highest levels of Navy leadership for increased support to address these concerns. At

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this time, I anticipate at that key senior Navy leaders from Washington DC will join the upcoming meeting.

My contact for coordinating this meeting is Mr. Rob Rule, Naval Air Station Fallon Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Mr. Rule can be reached at 775-426-2925 or by email at robert.rule@navy.mil. I hope you will make every effort to attend and to continue our consultation.

Sincerely,



E. L. MORRISON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)

From: Rule, Robert M CIV USN (USA)
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 12:11 PM
To: 'tribalchair@yombatribe.org'
Cc: Beyer, Scott CDR NAVFAC SW, PWD FALN; Baskerville, Michael C CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: Naval Air Station Fallon Invitation - December 18, 2019
Attachments: Yomba Shoshone Tribe_CO INVITATION LETTER TO TRIBAL LEADERS.pdf
Signed By: robert.rule@navy.mil

Chairperson Snooks

On behalf of the Commanding Officer at Naval Air Station Fallon, I respectfully request your participation at a meeting to discuss the ongoing government-to-government consultation between the Navy and Nevada tribes.

The meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 from 1pm-4pm in the Tahoe Hearing Room at the Richard H. Bryan Building which is located at 901 S. Stewart Street in Carson City, NV 89701.

The attached invitation letter outlines some of the topics we would like to discuss. If you have any questions concerning the event or the matters listed please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 775-426-2925 and email robert.rule@navy.mil.

Thanks for your time and attention

Rob

Rob Rule
Community Plans and Liaison Officer
Naval Air Station Fallon
Office - 775-426-2925
Work Cell – 858-373-8748