



Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization:

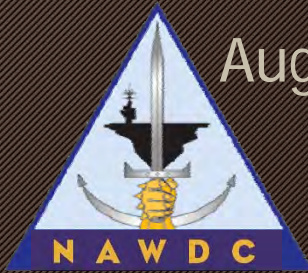
*Expansion of Land Ranges, Airspace Modifications,
and Public Land Withdrawal Renewal*

Environmental Impact Statement

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Public Scoping

Aug. 26 – Nov. 25, 2016





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Agenda

- About the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC)
- Importance of realistic training
- Environmental stewardship
- Overview of the Proposed Action
- National Environmental Policy Act process



Fallon Range Training Complex

- Navy's premier aviation training range
- Used to train a variety of military units
- Used to conduct aviation and ground training



Importance of Realistic Training



Provides deploying military personnel with a realistic training environment to prepare for worldwide combat scenarios.



Modernization would provide the realistic training capabilities needed to meet changing aviation and ground training requirements.

Proposed Action

Modernize the Fallon Range Training Complex, which would include land range expansion through additional withdrawal of public lands and acquisition of non-federal land, airspace modifications, and renewal of current public land withdrawal



Environmental Stewardship

The Navy:

- Manages natural and cultural resources
- Implements numerous programs to ensure compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations
- Partners with federal, state, and local agencies and tribes to manage sensitive resources





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Environmental Compliance

- National Environmental Policy Act compliance
- Preparing Draft EIS
 - Extensive analyses
- Cooperating Agencies
 - Bureau of Land Management
 - Federal Aviation Administration
 - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

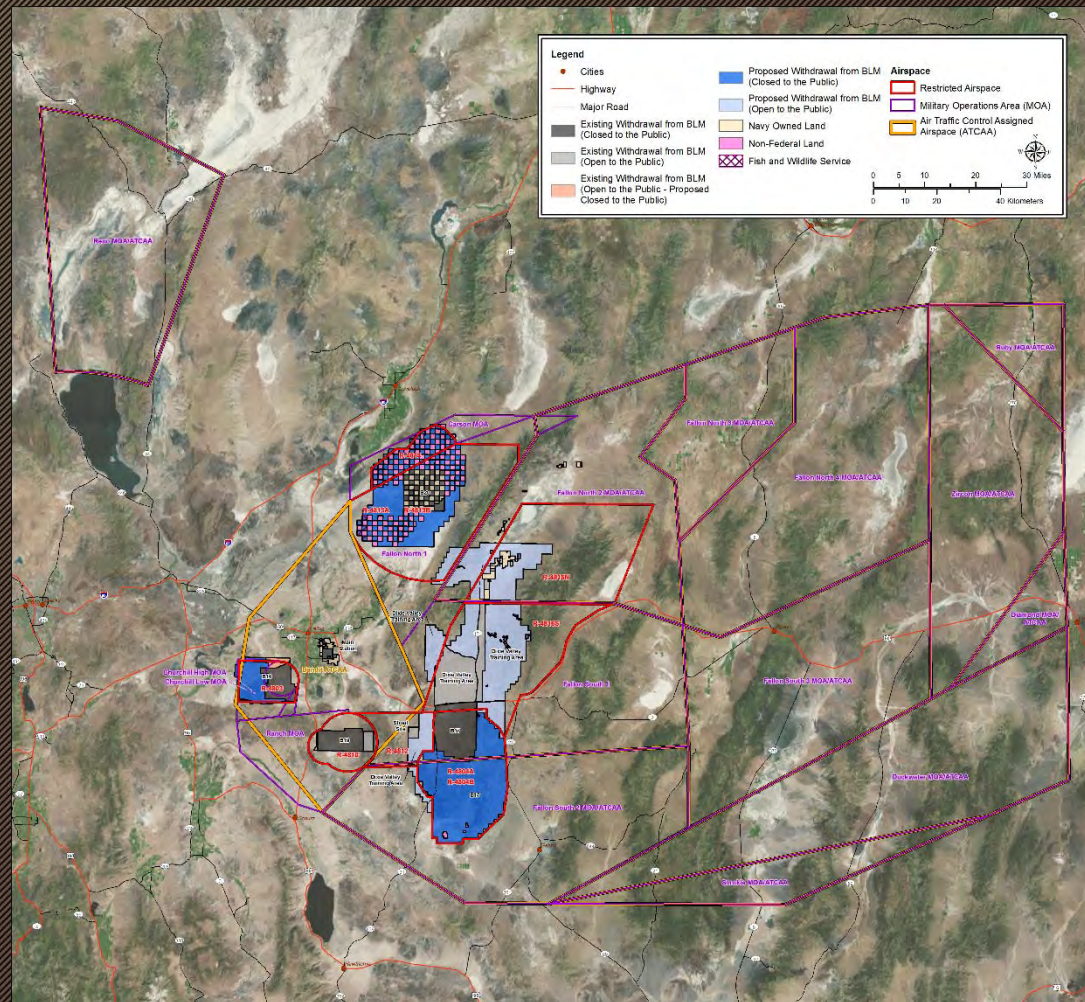





Environmental Resource Areas to be Analyzed in the Draft EIS

- Air quality/climate
- Airborne noise
- Biological resources
- Cultural resources, including Native American traditional resources
- Grazing
- Land use and recreation, including off-highway vehicles
- Minerals and mining
- Public health and safety
- Socioeconomics and environmental justice
- Soils
- Transportation
- Water resources and quality

Proposed Action





No Action Alternative

- Land range expansion and airspace changes would not occur
- Navy would disestablish and cease the use of the FRTC and reassess the military mission of NAS Fallon, as the current withdrawal of public land would not be renewed under this alternative
- Navy would work with the Bureau of Land Management to prioritize and address any environmental remediation needed on lands relinquished back to them

NEPA Process

Comment Table



Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS
Aug. 26, 2016

Scoping Period *
Aug. 26, 2016 - Nov. 25, 2016

Public Release of the Draft EIS
Winter 2018

Public Meetings and Comment Period *
Winter 2018

Public Release of the Final EIS
Fall 2019

Final EIS Public Review and Wait Period *
Fall 2019

Record of Decision
Winter 2020

* Opportunities for public review and comment

Public Review and Comment

- Comments tonight
- Project website:
www.FRTCModernization.com
- Written comments:
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All comments must be postmarked or received online by
Nov. 25, 2016, for consideration in the Draft EIS.