

Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex



Environmental Impact Statement for the Modernization and Enhancement of Ranges, Airspace, and Training Areas in the Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex in Alaska

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How to Use This Document

Our goal is to provide a reader-friendly document. The organization of this Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS) is shown below.

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Chapter 1 Purpose and Need for Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex (JPARC) Proposed Actions:

Explains the reasons for the proposed enhancements and modernizations and the screening criteria used to select proposals from the *JPARC Master Plan* for this EIS. Also described is the Environmental Impact Analysis Process, the consultation and public involvement processes, a table of where scoping comments are addressed, and a comparative analysis of the anticipated impacts of the proposed actions and alternatives.

Chapter 2 Description of Proposed Action and Alternatives: An overview of the JPARC EIS definitive and programmatic proposed actions and alternatives.

Chapter 3 Affected Environment and Environmental Consequences: Describes the environmental resources and areas that could potentially be affected by each proposed action, analysis methodology and potential impacts.

- Airspace Management and Use
- Noise
- Safety
- Air Quality
- Physical Resources
- Water Resources
- Hazardous Materials and Waste
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Land Use
- Infrastructure and Transportation
- Socioeconomics
- Subsistence
- Environmental Justice

Fox 3 MOA Expansion and New Paxson MOA

Realistic Live Ordnance Delivery

Battle Area Complex (BAX) Restricted Area

Expand Restricted Area R-2205, including the Digital Multi-Purpose Training Range (DMPTR)

Night Joint Training

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Access

Enhanced Ground Maneuver Space

Tanana Flats Training Area (TFTA)
Roadway Access

Joint Air-Ground Integration Complex (JAGIC)

Intermediate Staging Bases (ISBs)

Missile Live Fire for AIM-9 and AIM-120 in the Gulf and Alaska

Joint Precision Airdrop System (JPADS) Drop Zones

Chapter 4 Cumulative Impacts and Secondary Effects: Summarizes the aggregated effects of multiple JPARC proposed actions, as well as the cumulative effects associated with other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable military and civilian actions.

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Appendix K Mitigations: A discussion of existing and proposed measures to minimize impacts.

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