



NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



The U.S. Air Force invites you to attend Public Scoping Meetings for the Proposed Beddown of KC-46A Tanker Aircraft for Main Operating Base #4

The U.S. Air Force (Air Force) will host open house public scoping meetings to discuss the proposal to beddown KC-46A tanker aircraft, associated infrastructure and personnel for the Main Operating Base #4 (MOB 4) at an existing active duty Air Force Base (AFB) within the continental United States.

The proposed basing alternatives are Dover AFB, Delaware; Fairchild AFB, Washington; Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota; Joint Base McGuire-Dix Lakehurst (JBMDL), New Jersey; and Travis AFB, California. The beddown would consist of either 24 or 36 KC-46A aircraft with a mission to provide worldwide refueling, cargo, or aeromedical evacuation support. The KC-46A mission could be either an additive or replacement mission to current flying operations, depending on where the aircraft is located.

The Air Force plans to recapitalize their existing fleet of aging tankers, the KC-135 Stratotanker (KC-135) and KC-10 Extender (KC-10), with the KC-46A Pegasus (KC-46A), which will be the newest aerial refueling aircraft in the USAF fleet. With more refueling capacity and enhanced capabilities, improved efficiency and increased capabilities for cargo and aeromedical evacuation, the KC-46A will provide aerial refueling support to the Air Force, the U.S. Navy, and the U.S. Marine Corps, as well as allied nation coalition force aircraft.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS). Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, the Air Force will prepare an EIS, which will assess the potential environmental consequences of the KC-46A aircraft beddown. The beddown will require personnel and facilities to support aircraft operations and pilot and operator requirements.

PUBLIC MEETINGS. The public is encouraged to attend “open house” EIS scoping meetings to learn more about the proposal and assist the Air Force in scoping issues to evaluate in the EIS. The meetings will be arranged in a “come and go” format with no formal Air Force presentation or opportunity for public testimony. **Written comments will be accepted at all meetings; your input is valuable and assists the Air Force in making more informed decisions.** Please drop in anytime between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. at one of the following meetings:

Date	Location
January 10, 2017	Travis AFB: Northern Solano Association of Realtors, Fairfield, California
January 12, 2017	Fairchild AFB: The Lincoln Center, Lincoln Ballroom, Spokane, Washington
January 17, 2017	JBMDL: New Hanover Township Senior Center, Cookstown, New Jersey
January 19, 2017	Dover AFB: AMC Museum, Dover, Delaware.
January 24, 2017	Grand Forks AFB: Alerus Center, Hawk Meeting Room, Grand Forks, North Dakota

PUBLIC COMMENT. For more information or to submit written comments, please visit the project website at www.KC-46A-MOB4.com or contact:

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To ensure the Air Force has sufficient time to consider public input in the Draft EIS, please submit comments by February 3, 2017.

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