

The U.S. Department of the Air Force invites you to review the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Beddown of KC-46A Tanker Aircraft for Main Operating Base #6



Department of the Air Force (DAF) has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for public review that analyzes the potential environmental consequences associated with the proposal to beddown and replace 1950s-era aerial refueling tankers with the KC-46A Main Operating Base #6 (MOB 6) aircraft and mission at either MacDill Air Force Base (AFB), Florida or at Fairchild AFB, Washington, to include the proposal's effect on historic properties. The MOB 6 beddown requires an active duty installation in the continental United States with the aerial refueling tankers and mission to be replaced, as well as the capacity to support KC-46A infrastructure, facilities, airfield operations, training activities, and personnel.

The DAF's Preferred Alternative is to beddown the MOB 6 mission with 24 KC-46A aircraft at MacDill AFB. The EIS also evaluates Fairchild AFB as a reasonable alternative for the MOB 6 beddown, and the No Action Alternative. Depending on the selected installation, the KC-46A would either fully or partially replace the current active duty tanker mission.

OBTAIN AND REVIEW THE FINAL EIS. The Final EIS is available for download at **www.kc46amob6eis.com** and may also be viewed at the following local libraries:

MacDill AFB Area: Jan Kaminis Platt Regional Library (3910 S. Manhattan Ave, Tampa, FL 33611), John F. Germany Public Library (900 N. Ashley Dr, Tampa, FL 33602), Port Tampa City Public Library (4902 W Commerce St, Tampa, FL 33616), and MacDill AFB Library (8102 Condor St, Bldg 252, Tampa, FL 33621)

Fairchild AFB Area: Airway Heights Library (1213 S. Lundstrom St, Airway Heights, WA 99001), Medical Lake Library (321 E Herb St, Medical lake, WA 99022), Spokane Central Public Library (906 W Main Ave, Spokane, WA 99201), and Fairchild AFB Library (2 W Castle St, Fairchild AFB, WA 99011)

30-DAY WAITING PERIOD AND RECORD OF DECISION. The Notice of Availability (NOA) for the Final EIS will be published in the Federal Register on November 24, 2023. The 30-day post-filing waiting period will end on December 24, 2023. After the close of the waiting period, the DAF will sign the Record of Decision (ROD) explaining the DAF conclusions, the reason(s) for the alternative selected, and the alternatives considered.

Additional information on the Final EIS is available online at **www.kc46amob6eis.com**; by phone at 813-263-9331; via email by contacting the MacDill AFB 6 ARW PA via email at 6.arw.pa@us.af.mil, SUBJECT: KC-46A MOB 6 EIS, or the Fairchild AFB PAO at 92arw.pa@us.af.mil, SUBJECT: KC-46A MOB 6 EIS; by postal mail the EIS Project Manager via USPS at AFCEC CZN, ATTN: KC-46A MOB 6 EIS, 2261 Hughes Ave, Suite 155, JBSA Lackland, Texas 78236-9853; or via FedEx or UPS at AFCEC CZN, ATTN: KC-46A MOB 6 EIS, Building 1 Bay 8 Room 6009, 3515 South General McMullen, San Antonio, TX 78226-1710.