The Designated Federal Officer (DFO) will review all submitted written statements. Written comments should be submitted to Mrs. Marcia Moore, DFO, via facsimile or electronic mail, the preferred modes of submission. Each page of the comment must include the author’s name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. All contact information may be found in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section.

Due to difficulties finalizing the meeting agenda for the scheduled meeting of August 27, 2013, of the National Commission on the Structure of the Air Force the requirements of 41 CFR § 102–3.150(a) were not met. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

Registration: Individuals who wish to attend the public hearing and meeting on August 27, 2013 are encouraged to register for the event with the Designated Federal Officer, using the electronic mail and facsimile contact information found in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. The communication should include the registrant’s full name, title, affiliation or employer, email address, and day-time phone number. If applicable, include written comments and Congressional statements. Registrations and written input must be typed.

Background: The National Commission on the Structure of the Air Force was established by the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Pub. L. 112–114). The Department of Defense sponsor for the Commission is the Director of Administration and Management, Mr. Michael L. Rhodes. The Commission is tasked to submit a report, containing a comprehensive study and recommendations, by February 1, 2014 to the President of the United States and the Congressional defense committees. The report will contain a detailed statement of the findings and conclusions of the Commission, together with its recommendations for such legislation and administrative actions it may consider appropriate in light of the results of the study. The comprehensive study of the structure of the U.S. Air Force will determine whether, and how, the structure should be modified to best fulfill current and anticipated mission requirements for the U.S. Air Force in a manner consistent with available resources.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Record of Decision for the Modernization and Enhancement of Ranges, Airspace, and Training Areas in the Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex in Alaska

ACTION: Notice of availability (NOA).


The ROD states the Air Force and Army decision on the six definitive proposals analyzed in the EIS. These decisions include (1) Fox 3 Military Operating Area (MOA) Expansion and Paxon MOA Addition (Air Force), (2) Realistic Live Ordnance Delivery (Air Force), (3) Ball Joint Training Area (BAX) Restricted Area Addition (Army), (4) Expand Restricted Area R–2205, including the Digital Multi-Purpose Training Range (DMPTTR) (Army), (5) Night Joint Training (Air Force), and (6) Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Access (Army).

The decision was based on relevant factors discussed in the EIS, including technical considerations, public review and Tribal and agency input. The Final EIS was made available to the public on June 28, 2013 through a NOA in the Federal Register (Volume 78, Number 125, Page 38975) with a wait period that ended on July 29, 2013. The ROD documents only the six definitive decisions of the Air Force and Army with respect to the proposed Air Force and Army actions analyzed in the EIS. Decision on programmatic actions analyzed in the EIS could be made at a future date.

Authority: This NOA is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR Part 1506.6) implementing the provisions of the NEPA of 1969 (42 USCS 4321, et seq.) and the Air Force’s Environmental Impact Analysis Process (EIAP) (32 CFR 989.21(b) and 989.24(b)(7)) and the Army’s Environmental Analysis of Army Actions (32 CFR 651.26 and 651.45(j)(vi)(3)).