

Frequently Asked Questions

The Air Force has developed a list of questions about the Environmental Impact Analysis Process used to study the proposed action.

Q: How can I be involved?

Public comments are encouraged. While the scoping phase has officially ended, you can submit comments and/or request a copy of the Draft EIS online from the “Comments” page, check the website for updates, review the Draft EIS once it is available, and obtain the latest information on the public hearings for the Draft EIS. Comments will be accepted throughout the project and will be included in the administrative record.

Q: Will the Air Force have more meetings? Where will these meeting be located?

Yes, there will be additional meetings once the Draft EIS is published. The locations for the public hearings have not been determined. Based on feedback received during the scoping phase of the project, additional meetings will be held throughout New Mexico to ensure multiple opportunities for the public and other interested parties to participate in the process. Please check the project website for project updates.

Q: Where can I get more information?

The project website will be updated throughout the project. The website will contain all notices as well as copies of the Draft EIS and other materials available for the project. Holloman AFB Public Affairs Office/Mr. Tommy Fuller can be reached at (575) 572-1831 ext. 5406.

Q: What is a Military Operations Area (MOA)?

A MOA is a type of Special Use Airspace designated to separate nonhazardous, military flight activities from non-participating, general aviation. MOAs have defined spatial boundaries and hours of operation, which are reported on aeronautical charts.

Q: How does the Air Force analyze noise?

The proposed aircraft operations and potential sonic booms will be modeled using Department of Defense approved noise modeling software to determine the anticipated change in the noise environment. The noise models use aircraft and environmental data, such as weather, terrain, elevation, the type and number of aircraft to be flown, flight rack, altitude, and engine power settings to project noise levels.