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**FINAL EIS RELEASED FOR HOLLOMAN AFB SPECIAL USE
AIRSPACE OPTIMIZATION**

HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, N.M. – The United States Air Force (USAF) announces the availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Special Use Airspace Optimization to support existing aircraft at Holloman Air Force Base (HAFB).

The Final EIS evaluates the environmental consequences of a range of alternatives to optimize airspace in order to support required training missions for aircrews stationed at HAFB. The Final EIS identifies the preferred alternative as alternative 1, a proposed expansion of Talon Military Operating Area (MOA) over eastern New Mexico.

The Final EIS was prepared in cooperation with the Federal Aviation Administration, National Park Service, and Bureau of Land Management. For three years, the USAF reviewed citizen input provided through public meetings, public hearings, open houses, public comments, government-to-government consultations with federally recognized tribes, and engagement with cooperating agencies. All substantive comments received during the public comment period were given full consideration in the preparation of the Final EIS.

The Final EIS is available on the following public website:
<http://www.hollomanafbairspaceeis.com/>. A printed copy of the Final EIS and a CD are also available for review at the following libraries:

- Hobbs Public Library, 509 North Shipp Street, Hobbs, NM 88240
- Alamogordo Public Library, 920 Oregon Avenue, Alamogordo, NM 88310
- Main Library, 325 Library Lane, Truth or Consequences, NM 87901
- Carlsbad Public Library, 101 S. Halagueno Street, Carlsbad, NM 88220
- Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88001
- Silver City Public Library, 515 W College Avenue, Silver City, NM 88061

- City of Roswell Public Library, 301 N Pennsylvania Avenue, Roswell, NM 88201
- Socorro Public Library, 401 Park Street, Socorro, NM 87801
- Ahrens Memorial Library, 596 W 4th Street, Holloman AFB, NM 88330
- Artesia Public Library, 205 W. Quay Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
- Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Rd., Ruidoso, NM 88245
- Lordsburg Hidalgo Library, 208 E. 3rd St., Lordsburg, NM 88045
- Marshall Memorial Library, 110 S Diamond Street, Deming, NM 88030

After a 30-day waiting period, the Air Force will make an informed decision on the proposal to optimize training airspace.

Proposed action & alternatives, documents & references and more information can be accessed at the EIS project website, <http://www.hollomanafbairspaceeis.com/>.