

**Little Rock Air Force Base Compatible Use Study | Recommendations Summary
Policy & Technical Committees Review Draft | 12 November 2020**

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A. Comprehensive & Small Area Planning	High	A.1.	Prepare Comprehensive or Small Area Plans in Pulaski County, Jacksonville, and Cabot	The City of Jacksonville and Pulaski County should consider adoption of a statutory comprehensive plan or, in the case of Pulaski County, expansion of planning beyond the Lake Maumelle Watershed Planning Area. The Plan development process is an opportunity to deliberately address the direction and vision of the community for the next 10-20 years; a valuable exercise for a jurisdiction so closely influenced by the presence of two military installations.	City of Jacksonville Pulaski County City of Cabot	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	A.2.	Update Existing Comprehensive Plans in Sherwood and North Little Rock	Sherwood and North Little Rock have existing jurisdiction-wide comprehensive plans. These should be revised to reflect the applicable findings and recommendations of the 2020 Compatible Use Study.	City of North Little Rock City of Sherwood	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
	Medium	A.3.	Prepare Updates to Other Policy and Planning Documents	Existing local government plans and policy documents should be revisited and revised to ensure future economic development, planning, and industry plans recognize the presence and impact of LRAFB on the economy and local land use patterns.	CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
B. Zoning and General Code Provisions	High	B.1.	Prepare Updates to Existing AICUZ Overlay Boundaries in Sherwood and Jacksonville	The geographic extent of the existing AICUZ Overlay boundaries for the cities of Jacksonville and Sherwood should be updated to reflect current noise contours, as well as the accident potential areas within each city's municipal and extraterritorial (ETJ) boundaries, as applicable. With respect to the City of Jacksonville, these extend greater than the statutory base 1-mile zoning powers.	City of Jacksonville City of Sherwood	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	B.2.	Prepare Updates to Existing AICUZ Overlay Regulations in Sherwood and Jacksonville	The AICUZ Overlays for the cities of Jacksonville and Sherwood, should be updated to reflect current Air Force compatibility guidance and Arkansas § 14-56-426 statutory mandates and authorizations regarding the exercise of extraterritorial zoning powers.	City of Jacksonville City of Sherwood	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	B.3.	Prepare AICUZ Overlay Regulations within Pulaski County, Lonoke County, and Cabot	In addition to Jacksonville and Sherwood, the following CUS Jurisdictions have documented noise impact areas within its jurisdiction or ETJ and should adopt appropriate zoning standards: Lonoke County (within Cabot's ETJs), Cabot and Cabot ETJ, and Pulaski County.	Lonoke County, Cabot, and Pulaski County	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	B.4.	Add Height and Interference Review to Local Development Review Processes	Other than the City of Lonoke, and its ETJ, each CUS Jurisdiction has lands beneath airspace or flight paths used by LRAFB, All-American Landing Zone, or Blackjack Drop Zone. Proposals for development - either through zoning or building permit requests - should include verification that no structure or use will interfere with Air Force air operations. More rural areas without comprehensive zoning or permitting schemes may consider non-regulatory approaches.	Ward, Austin, Cabot, Jacksonville, Sherwood, Maumelle, North Little Rock, White County, Faulkner County, Pulaski County	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	B.5.	Include Review of Military Impacts During Consideration of Annexation Applications	When unincorporated lands are considered for annexation into the jurisdiction of a city in the Study Area, the impacts from or on LRAFB operations should be considered prior to final action. This puts the city, property owner, and base on notice of relevant impacts and the implications of the requested application, if approved.	Ward, Austin, Cabot, Jacksonville, Sherwood, Maumelle, North Little Rock, Lonoke	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
C. Subdivision Regulations	High	C.1.	Prepare Regulatory Requirement for Plat Acknowledgements	Subdivision plats should include notice of potential military impacts, the potential for additional regulations to apply to the lots through zoning and building codes, and the source of further information and details on nearby operations at Little Rock AFB, Camp Robinson, or Blackjack.	CUS Jurisdictions with plat approval authority	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
D. Notice to Property Owners & Occupants	High	D.1.	Provide Notice on Local Permit Approval of Potential Military Impacts on Property	For zoning and building permits submitted for properties located in the noise, accident potential, and airspace impact areas, notice of potential military impacts, potential additional regulations, and sources of further information and details should be included on documentation provided to the applicant.	CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	D.2.	Prepare Potential Purchaser and Tenant Awareness Disclosures	Make a notice available to indicate potential military impacts and sources of further information and details, for purchasers or tenants of properties in noise, accident potential, and airspace impact areas. Propose legislation to require notice or disclosure.	CUS Jurisdictions, Arkansas Realtors Association, North Pulaski Board of Realtors, Arkansas Legislature	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
	Medium	D.3.	Street Signage	Consider posting signage on roads within the CUS Study Area notifying the public of potential Air Force impacts, including noise and accident potential and drop zone buffers.	Arkansas DOT, Lonoke County, Cabot, Pulaski County, Jacksonville, Sherwood, White County	S	\$\$	Local and State Sources

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E. Intergency Cooperation	High	E.1.	Appoint CUS Implementation Committee	Appoint members to a "CUS Implementation Committee" to facilitate implementation of the CUS Recommendations in Chapter 7 of the CUS report and, if appropriate, to apply for OEA funding, as available.	City of Jacksonville CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$	Existing Staffing
	High	E.2.	Seek Funding from State Military Affairs Grant Program	The Arkansas Economic Development Commission (AEDC) administers the Military Affairs Grant Program (MAGP), which funds selected projects that strengthen and sustain Arkansas military installations, resulting in economic growth for the region. Identify components of the CUS Implementation Plan that may be funded by MAGP funding sources.	TBD	S	\$	TBD
	High	E.3.	Prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Regional Coordination with LRAFB	Develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between LRAFB, CUS Jurisdictions, and other stakeholders that will facilitate early and transparent cooperation between LRAFB and other impacted parties, prior to and in conjunction with the existing development review processes. The MOU should address alternative mitigation and oversight requirements for jurisdictions without land use regulations; as well as an agreed-to framework of authorities as discussed in Recommendation E.4. and E.5.	LRAFB, CUS Jurisdictions, ARDOT, AEDC, LRAFB Community Council	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	E.4.	Propose Legislative Revisions to Clarify Scope of Local Government Authorities	Prepare and seek support for revisions to A.C.A. § 14-56-426, and other affected statutes, regarding the scope and nature of local government regulatory jurisdiction over areas impacted by LRAFB operations; particularly as relates to extraterritorial powers and overlapping areas of authority and impacts.	CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$	Existing Staffing or Potential OEA Funding
	High	E.5.	Prepare GIS Layers Illustrating Extent of Local Government Regulatory Authorities	Map extraterritorial areas that are both authorized and active under state statute so CUS Jurisdictions, citizens, and stakeholders are readily aware of the geographic extent of zoning and planning powers being exercised currently and follow implementation of the CUS recommendations in Chapter 7.	CUS Implementation Committee, CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	E.6.	Facilitate LRAFB Input Prior to Local Approvals of New Growth-Inducing Infrastructure	Extensions of growth-inducing infrastructure, like water, wastewater, or transportation facilities should not be approved until the long-term impacts of the planned improvements on LRAFB operations have been coordinated with LRAFB; this is of particular importance within documented Noise and Accident Potential Zones.	LRAFB CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$	Existing Staffing or Potential OEA Funding
	High	E.7.	Monitor Defense Community Infrastructure Program for Funding Opportunities in the Region	The Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) Pilot Program kicked-off in 2020 but is expected to provide funding into the future for infrastructure that supports a local military installation. Eligible projects will enhance military value, resilience, or military family quality of life at the installation. Family quality of life was prioritized during the Pilot phase in 2020.	LRAFB ARDOT CUS Jurisdictions	S/M/L	\$\$\$	Department of Defense, Local and State Sources
	Medium	E.8.	Evaluate Opportunities within the Air Force Community Partnerships (AFCP) Program	While the DCIP is an opportunity for military communities and the Department of Defense to share in the costs and benefits of capital/infrastructure projects, the Air Force's Community Partnership Program (AFCP) facilitate partnerships built on shared resources and capabilities beyond infrastructure.	LRAFB CUS Jurisdictions	S/M/L	\$\$\$	Existing Staffing
	Medium	E.9.	Increase Statewide Coordination	Coordinate with the Commanding Officers of Arkansas military installations and with the Arkansas Economic Development Commission's Military Affairs office. Consider regular meetings of the Commanding Officers from the state. Consider statewide legislation or interagency agreements to facilitate statewide coordination. Consider recommendation to create position of state-level grant writer SME.	LRAFB AEDC Military Affairs Office	S	\$	Existing Staffing or Potential OEA Funding
	Medium	E.10.	Perform Strategic Planning to Stand Up a Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program with Conservation and Community Partners	Seek specialized expertise and obtain education on REPI program fundamentals and best practices, including information on project planning and real estate execution requirements. Identify initial and ongoing leadership structure and personnel needs for installation stakeholders to provide input, identify metrics, and execute the program. Engage with potential eligible entity community partners to identify interest in the program, geographic focus areas, and collaborative funding opportunities. Engage with installation stakeholders and develop GIS maps that prioritize partner focus areas and locations that support military readiness. Develop a written REPI 5-year plan that identifies mission capabilities, encroachment threats, a holistic encroachment mitigation strategy, a desired end state, and the expected strategic benefit.	LRAFB	S	\$\$	Existing Staffing or Potential OEA Funding
	Medium	E.11.	Formalize Protocol for Periodic LRAFB Updates to Local Governments	Updates by LRAFB representatives to local governing bodies and planning commissions of ongoing or anticipated future activities at LRAFB, Blackjack Drop Zone, or the All-American Landing Zone should be consistently made and formalized, perhaps as part of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).	LRAFB CUS Jurisdictions	S / Ongoing	\$	Existing Staffing, Potential OEA Funding

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	Medium	E.12.	Continue to Pursue Initiatives for Improved Quality of Life for Military Families	Continue to pursue education support partnerships and programs with the local community; to remove barriers to employment for military spouses and to provide opportunities for military personnel and their dependents to become engaged community members. Consider establishing and innovation lab to offer opportunities for base-community collaboration.	LRAFB CUS Jurisdictions	S/M/L	\$/\$\$ /\$\$\$	Existing Staffing
F. Public Outreach & Communication	High	F.1.	Community Noise and Impact Reporting	Supplement existing protocols regarding public reporting of noise and other impacts from LRAFB. Include on LRAFB website the installation's point of contact, policies, and timeframes for responding to inquiries.	LRAFB	S	\$	Existing Staffing
	High	F.2.	Set Up Military Planning & Coordination Website	The Military Planning & Coordination Committee (Strategy below) should maintain a website dedicated to provide information such as: - the 2020 Compatible Use Study and related materials; - anticipated changes in mission at LRAFB, when applicable - GIS layers available to citizens in order to easily identify applicable regulations; - downloadable brochures identifying regulations, policies, impact areas, and points of contact; - how to avoid land uses and land use activities (like drone use or Radio Frequency Interference (RFI)) that would negatively impact air operations at LRAFB or All-American Landing Zone; - contact & reporting information for LRAFB.	CUS Implementation Committee LRAFB CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	F.3.	Prepare Public Outreach Materials on Civilian UAS Regulations and Risk Areas, Including Street Signs	Publicize federal requirements and FAQs related to the use of "drones" in the vicinity of LRAFB, All-American Landing Zone, and Blackjack Drop Zone; include links to FAA and other relevant federal agencies on MPCC website. Evaluate the need for signage near the Installation and increased public awareness of how to notify LRAFB of drone use within federally protected areas.	LRAFB ARDOT CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
	Medium	F.4.	Prepare Public Outreach Materials for NLR Construction Standards	Make Noise Level Reduction (NLR) construction standards available to communities and developers within documented noise zones, which help to mitigate or "attenuate" noise associated with military air operations and training; these would be available for use voluntarily for residential or non-residential developments, but would not be mandatory or required by code.	City of Jacksonville City of Sherwood Lonoke County Pulaski County City of Cabot	S	\$	Potential OEA Funding
G. Ongoing Land Use Planning Activities	High	G.1.	Establish a Standing Military Planning & Coordination Committee	Establish a Military Planning and Coordination Committee (MPCC) to facilitate ongoing planning and coordination after tools recommended in the 2020 CUS have been approved. The MPCC will monitor the implementation of an MOU (see below). The framework for operating the MPCC may be incorporated into the MOU or into a separate set of bylaws.	City of Jacksonville LRAFB CUS Jurisdictions	S	\$\$	Potential OEA Funding
	High	G.2.	Maintain Updated MOU for Continued Community-Wide Coordination	The Memorandum of Understanding developed by the CUS Implementation Committee (see above), should be maintained and revised as needed to reflect changes in base operations, boundaries, or mission, as well as, changes in local conditions or legal requirements off-base.	LRAFB CUS Jurisdictions City of Jacksonville	S	\$\$	Existing Staffing
	High	G.3.	Support the Jacksonville Economic & Cultural Alliance as the coordinating agency for ongoing Interagency Coordination	As the lead agency in the Compatible Use Study and in the CUS Implementation Phase, the Policy Committee recommended the City of Jacksonville remain the coordinating agency on regional military issues, providing staff support to the CUS Implementation Committee and (following implementation) the standing "Military Planning and Coordination Committee	City of Jacksonville	S	\$	Existing Staffing