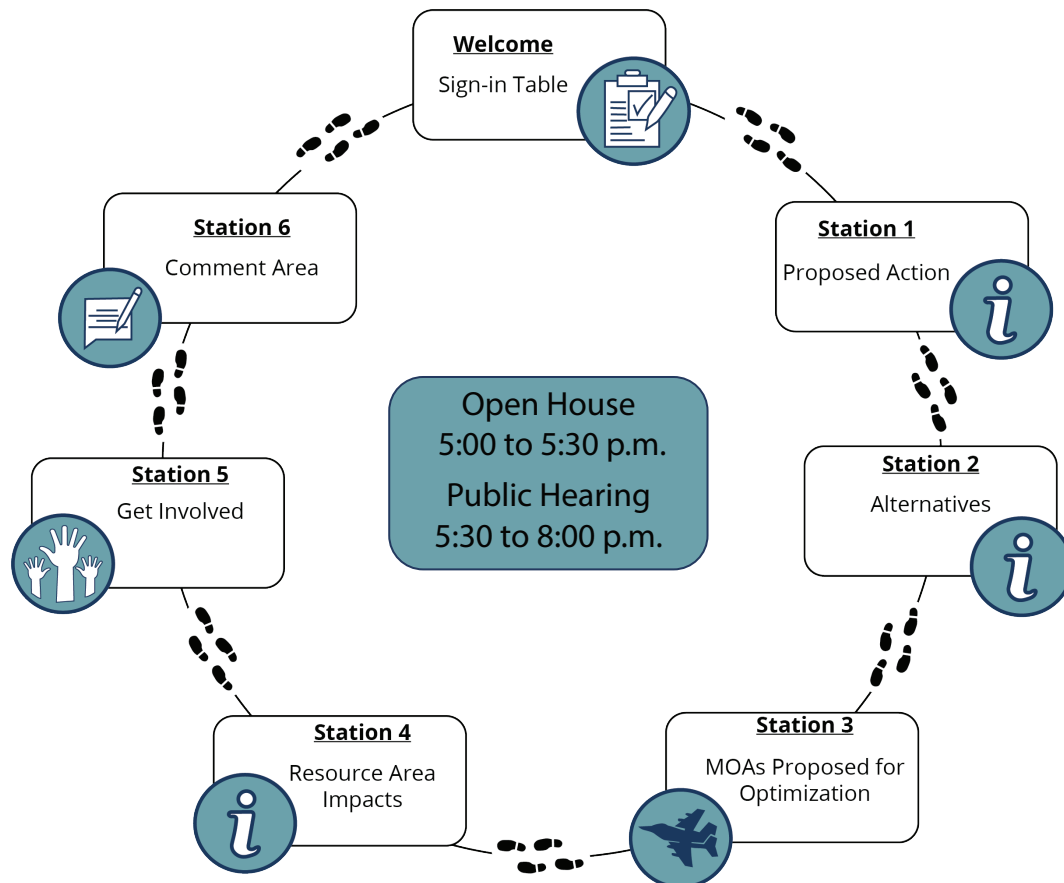


Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Special Use Airspace Optimization Fact Sheet



The Air Force has prepared a Draft EIS for their proposal to modify existing Military Operations Areas (commonly referred to as MOAs). The MOAs are located throughout southern Arizona and a small portion of western New Mexico and support training for aircrews stationed at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Luke Air Force Base, and Morris Air National Guard Base in Arizona.

An open house will be held before the hearing in which attendees will have an opportunity to discuss the proposal with Air Force representatives. There are several poster stations that provide information on the EIS.



What is a MOA?

A MOA is a type of Special Use Airspace designated by the Federal Aviation Administration to confine non-hazardous military aircraft training activities. MOAs are used for more active military flying than just transiting an area, such as air combat maneuvers, air intercepts, and low-altitude tactics.



The Environmental Impact Analysis Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) establishes a framework for involving the public in the Federal decision-making process. Public involvement is an essential part of the process. Through involving the public and completing detailed environmental analysis, the NEPA process helps the decision-maker arrive at the best possible informed decision. Concurrent with the NEPA process, the Air Force is conducting required public involvement for National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation for the potential effects on historic properties.

The Air Force, like other federal agencies, uses public involvement to ensure it makes informed decisions about actions that could potentially affect the environment. The substantive comments received during the Draft EIS comment period help to guide preparation of the Final EIS. The public has several ways to provide comments.

How to Provide Comments

You may submit comments in any of the following ways:

1. Provide an oral comment at the public hearing, or fill in a comment sheet.
2. Submit an electronic comment via the website: www.ArizonaRegionalAirspaceEIS.com
3. Mail written comments to:
Arizona Regional Airspace EIS
c/o Stantec
501 Butler Farm Rd., Suite H
Hampton, VA 23666

To ensure full consideration in the Final EIS, please submit comments by October 9, 2024

Please visit the project website for more information:

www.ArizonaRegionalAirspaceEIS.com

