



Fact Sheet

United States Air Force

MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING (MFH) DEMOLITION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND LEASING (DCR&L) PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE AND HURLBURT FIELD, FLORIDA

Proposed Alternatives to be Assessed During the EIS Process

A major part of the EIS process involves identifying reasonable alternatives for meeting the purpose and need of the Proposed Action, which is for the Air Force to provide quality affordable housing to military families. The decision on whether to revitalize Air Force housing was made by Congress and, as such, will not be evaluated in the EIS. However, Eglin AFB and Hurlburt Field project specific actions related to the Congressional mandate will be addressed in the EIS. The Alternatives being considered for implementing the Proposed Action are associated with the location of the housing and number of units constructed within each housing area. An overview of the alternative locations and number of housing units per area being considered by Eglin and Hurlburt Field in developing its Military Family Housing DCR&L Program EIS is provided below.

Housing Location and Distribution Alternatives

Alternative 1: Poquito Bayou Expansion Alternative

- Construction of all 1,964 units at the Poquito Bayou Expansion Site (without wetlands, approximately 860 acres)

Alternative 2: Eglin Main Base Alternative

- Construction of a maximum of 800 units at the Capehart/Wherry location (280 acres)
- Construction of 1,164 units at Old Plew/New Plew Expansion Area (680 acres)

Alternative 3: Old Plew/New Plew Expansion Area Alternative

- Construction of all 1,964 units at the Old Plew/New Plew Expansion Area (680 acres)

Alternative 4: Camp Pinchot Expansion/Main Base Alternative

- Demolition of 4 Camp Pinchot units
- Construction of a maximum of 700 units at Camp Pinchot Expansion Area (220 acres)
- Construction of 800 units on the Old Plew/New Plew Expansion Area (680 acres)
- Construction of 464 units at Wherry/Capehart Areas (280 acres).

Alternative 5: Alternative 4 with Camp Pinchot Adaptive Reuse

- Adaptive Reuse of 4 Camp Pinchot units
- Construction of a maximum of 700 units at Camp Pinchot Expansion Area (220 acres)
- Construction of 800 units on the Old Plew/New Plew Expansion Area (680 acres)
- Construction of 464 units at Wherry/Capehart Areas (280 acres)

Alternative 6: Camp Pinchot Expansion/Poquito Bayou Expansion Alternative

- Demolition of 4 Camp Pinchot units
- Construction of a maximum of 700 units at Camp Pinchot Expansion (220 acres)
- 1,264 units at Poquito Bayou Expansion area (860 acres)

Alternative 7: Alternative 6 with Camp Pinchot Adaptive Reuse

- Adaptive reuse of 4 Camp Pinchot units
- Construction of a maximum of 700 units at Camp Pinchot Expansion (220 acres)
- 1,264 units at Poquito Bayou Expansion area (860 acres)

No Action Alternative

Under the No Action Alternative, the Air Force would not implement the Military Family Housing (MFH) Demolition, Construction, Renovation, and Leasing (DCR&L) Program at Eglin AFB or Hurlburt Field. Both housing offices would continue operation of their respective housing programs as they are currently operated. The Air Force would use the traditional means of providing quality, affordable housing for its service members at Eglin AFB and Hurlburt Field including the utilization of the traditional military construction (MILCON) process, which would result in more costly projects and could take 16 to 20 years to complete. As projects were approved, the Air Force would evaluate the potential impacts through the environmental impact analysis process.