



# MELCONE **Open House Public Meeting** for the Transition from C-2A to CMV-22B Aircraft at Naval Air Station North Island, CA and Naval Station Norfolk, VA



# C-2A

Please provide comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment



## Proposed Action

Transition C-2A Greyhound to new Navy V-22 Osprey at existing West Coast and East Coast logistics support centers:

- Replace 27 aging C-2A aircraft with 38 Navy V-22 aircraft
- Establish a Navy V-22 training squadron for pilots and aircrew
- Establish a maintenance school for maintenance personnel
- Construct, renovate, and maintain facilities to accommodate Navy V-22 squadron aircraft and personnel
- Make adjustments to personnel levels (increases or decreases)
- Conduct Navy V-22 flight training operations

# When

A 10-year period beginning in 2018 with facility renovations and personnel actions with the first aircraft deliveries in 2020

### Navy V-22 Logistics Mission

- Delivery of cargo, mail, and passengers between shore installations and aircraft carriers at sea.
- Multi-mission capability to perform vertical and short take-offs and landings to remote locations and ships.

# Project Overview

# Purpose and Need

- Provide facilities and functions for the transition from aging C-2A
  - carries more weight a longer distance
  - requires more aircraft
- Older C-2A reaching the end of its service life - reduced availability
- Support the Navy's defense requirements under Title 10 U.S.C. Section 5062

### **10 United States Code Section 5062:** "The Navy shall be organized, trained, and equipped primarily for prompt and sustained combat otherwise assigned and, in accordance with integrated joint of the Navy to meet the needs of war."



to Navy V-22 aircraft to meet updated operational requirements

incident to operations at sea. It is responsible for the preparation of naval forces necessary for the effective prosecution of war except as mobilization plans, for the expansion of the peacetime components

• Flight training occurs at home base airfields, in national airspace, and at secondary airfields



### Location

• Logistics support centers: Naval Air Station North Island, CA & Naval Station Norfolk, VA



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NAS North Island General Project Area

NS Norfolk General Project Area



## Aircraft Transition

The Navy will replace aging C-2A aircraft with Navy V-22 aircraft at both NAS North Island and NS Norfolk under Alternative 1 and Alternative 2

## Establish Training Squadron

The Navy will establish a Navy V-22 Fleet Training Squadron, requiring:

- Increase of 5 aircraft
- Increase of 180 personnel
- Increase of 5,700 annual aircraft operations
- Proposed facilities include aircraft hangar, additional aircraft parking, and flight training device

### Alternative 1

Training Squadron and Maintenance School at NAS North Island

## Alternative 2

Training Squadron and Maintenance School at NS Norfolk

## No Action Alternative

The proposed action would not occur. Baseline for measuring the environmental consequences of Alternative 1 and Alternative 2



### Summary of Alternative 1 and Alternative 2

|  | NAS North Island |               | NS Norfolk    |               |
|--|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|  | Alternative 1    | Alternative 2 | Alternative 1 | Alternative 2 |
| Navy C-2A Squadrons                                | _                | -             | -             | _             |
| Navy V-22 Fleet Squadron                           | 1                | 1             | 1             | 1             |
| Navy V-22 Training Squadron                        | 1                | -             | -             | 1             |
| Total Aircraft (Change*)                           | 23 (+13)         | 18 (+8)       | 15 (-2)       | 20 (+3)       |
| Personnel (Change*)                                | 731 (+341)       | 551 (+161)    | 455 (-126)    | 635 (+54)     |
| Facility Construction/Renovation (square feet)     | 156,000          | 102,220       | 62,153        | 96,100        |
| Pavement Renovation/Expansion (acres)              | 35               | 24            | 24            | 36            |
| Total Annual Aircraft Operations (Percent Change*) | +14%             | +7%           | 0%            | +8.5%         |
| *Change from No Action Alternative                 |                  |               |               |               |





# Alternatives





V-22

### NAS North Island Proposed Facilities



### **NS Norfolk Proposed Facilities**



### Quantifying Noise

### Day-Night Average Sound Level (DNL) -[NS Norfolk only]

- Used to determine long-term community response to aircraft noise and land-use compatibility
- A 24-hour cumulative noise exposure metric
- A 10-decible (dB) adjustment is added to noise events occurring between 10 PM and 7 AM

### **Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) -**[NAS North Island only]

- Used to determine long-term community response to aircraft noise and land-use compatibility in California
- A 24-hour cumulative noise exposure metric
- A 10-dB adjustment is added to noise events occurring between 10 PM and 7 AM
- A 5-dB adjustment is added to noise events occurring between 7 PM and 10 PM





### Sound Exposure Level (SEL) -[NS Norfolk & NAS North Island]

- Represents the total noise energy of a single event, such as flyover, as if it occurred in one second
- Used to assess the potential for sleep disturbance



# How the Navy Assesses Noise



### **Computer Model**

### Input data includes:

- Aircraft type
- Number of operations
- Flight tracks
- Power settings
- Aircraft speed
- Terrain
- Temperature
- Altitude
- Relative humidity
- Engine maintenance testing

### Noise Zone Illustration



# Noise Modeling

### • The model uses actual aircraft noise measurements

Noise contours are generated and presented on a map

- 1. Less than 65 dB DNL/CNEL is generally considered compatible for most uses
- 2. 65-75 dB DNL/CNEL noise zone is an area where some land use controls are needed
- 3. 75 and greater dB DNL/CNEL noise zone requires the greatest degree of land use controls

- Analyzed CNEL noise contours for areas surrounding NAS North Island
- Analyzed DNL noise contours for areas surrounding NS Norfolk
- Studied multiple points of interest for additional analysis during the following scenarios:
  - Sleep disturbance – Maximum sound level



### Noise Assessment

### Changes in Noise Levels

- + 3 dB: Barely perceptible
- + 5 dB: Quite noticeable
- + 10 dB: Perceived as twice as loud



- Small increase in number of flight operations
- No change to Naval Base Coronado AICUZ Program land use compatibility recommendations



# Aircraft Noise Assessment – NAS North Island

# • No perceptible difference in noise levels in surrounding community

### Alternative 1 CNEL contours compared to the No Action Alternative



### Alternative 2 CNEL contours compared to the No Action Alternative





- No or small increase in number of flight operations
- No change to NS Norfolk AICUZ Program land use compatibility recommendations



# Aircraft Noise Assessment – NS Norfolk

# • No perceptible difference in noise levels in surrounding community

Alternative 1 DNL contours compared to the No Action Alternative



Alternative 2 DNL contours compared to the No Action Alternative



## Airfields and Airspace

- No change proposed to existing airspace
- Airspace management and local air traffic would not be affected by minor increase in airfield operations

## Noise

- No perceptible difference in noise levels in surrounding communities
- Small change in number of flight operations
- No change to Naval Base Coronado and NS Norfolk AICUZ Program land use compatibility recommendations

## Public Health and Safety

- No change to clear zones, accident potential zones, or airfield safety procedures
- No change to public or children's health and safety

## Air Quality

- Emissions increase would be negligible
- Emissions would be below applicable regulatory limits



# Summary of Potential Impacts – NAS North Island and NS Norfolk Negligible impacts to the natural or human environment

## Transportation

- Short-term increase in construction traffic
- Less than 1% increase in existing daily traffic

- Negligible impact to habitat, wildlife, marine species, and bird/animal aircraft strike hazard potential
- NAS North Island: Not likely to adversely affect western snowy plover and California least tern. Navy consulting with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- NS Norfolk: No endangered species present

## Water Resources

Minimal impacts to groundwater and surface water with minimization measures

## Infrastructure

• Minor increases in utility demand. Utilities sufficient to meet additional demand



### **Biological Resources**



## Hazardous Materials and Waste

- procedures
- or schools



## Cultural Resources

• No adverse effect to historic properties

• Minor increase would be managed through established handling

### Socioeconomics

• Positive short-term economic impact

• Population increase less than 1%; no impacts to housing, childcare,

• No disproportionate effects on minority or low-income populations

## **Coastal Zone Management**

• Consistent with coastal zone policies under state coastal management programs





### National Environmental **Policy Act (NEPA) Process**

- Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) examines environmental effects of Navy's proposal
- Public release of the EA is not required by NEPA, but the Navy has voluntarily made it available for public review and comment review

How to get a review copy of the EA:

Copies of the Draft EA are available at the following libraries:

San Diego Area Public Libraries:

- Imperial Beach Branch Library
- Coronado Public Library
- San Diego Central Library
- Point Loma/Hervey Branch Library
- Hampton Roads Area Public Libraries:
  - Mary D. Pretlow Anchor Branch Library
  - Groninger Library
  - Chesapeake Public Library
- The Draft EA may also be viewed on or downloaded from the Navy's website:

http://www.aftteis.com/navy-v-22

# Public Involvement Please provide your comments because we value them



Thank you for your participation

### How to Comment

Provide your comments TODAY by:

- Filling out a comment form
- Recording a verbal comment

Provide your comments LATER by:

• Mailing your comments to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Atlantic Division Attn: Navy V-22 EA Project Manager (Code EV21JB) 6506 Hampton Boulevard Norfolk, Virginia 23508

• Submitting your comments to: http://www.aftteis.com/navy-v-22

Comments must be postmarked on or before February 5, 2018 if mailed

All comments will be considered when preparing the Final EA

We are here





### Comments

Comments received today and throughout the public comment period are appreciated and will be considered by the Navy



Your input is important *Thank you for attending* 





### Secondary Training Airfields - West Coast





### Secondary Training Airfields -East Coast

