

The Environmental Impact Analysis Process

In fall 2025, the DAF initiated the first of two opportunities for public involvement, called scoping, by publishing a Notice of Intent in the Federal Register in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act or NEPA. The DAF is now seeking comments during the second public involvement opportunity. The public is encouraged to review and provide comments on information presented in the Draft EIS.

Please visit the project website for future updates on the process!

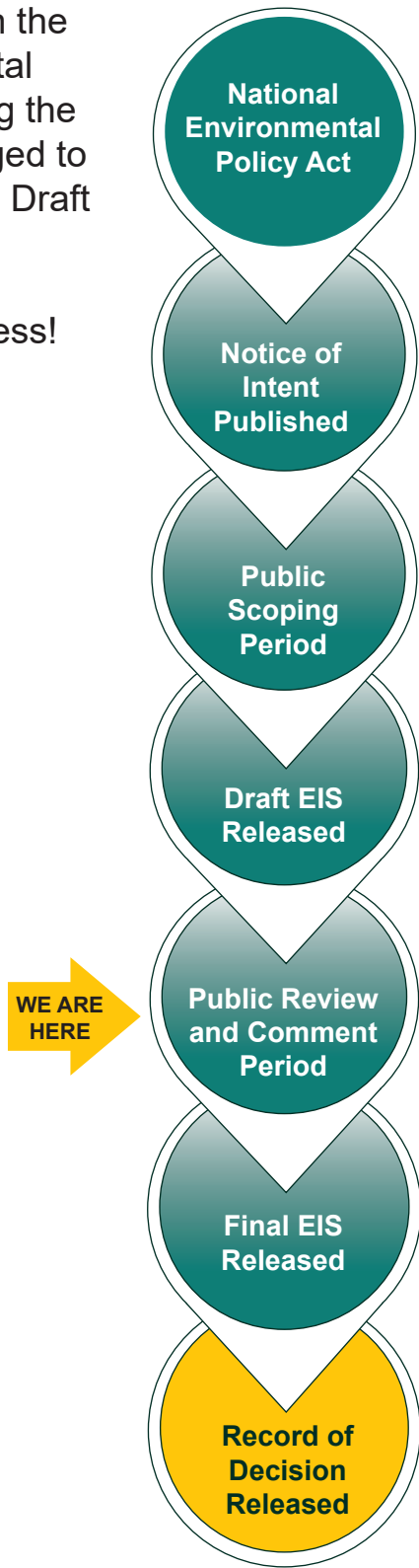
How to Provide Comments on the Draft EIS

You may submit comments in any of the following ways:

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

Please submit comments electronically or postmarked by **September 8, 2026** to ensure DAF has sufficient time to consider them in development of the Final EIS.

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Environmental Impact Statement

OPTIMIZATION OF
POWDER RIVER TRAINING COMPLEX

Ellsworth Air Force Base

FACT SHEET





The Department of the Air Force (DAF) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for their proposal to optimize the Powder River Training Complex (PRTC). The PRTC is the day-to-day training airspace for B-1 aircrews from Ellsworth Air Force Base and B-52 aircrews from Minot Air Force Base. The PRTC also hosts Large Force Exercises a few times a year. The PRTC overlies parts of North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, and Montana.

What is the Department of the Air Force (DAF) Proposing?

The DAF is proposing to modify the training airspace structure at PRTC to address shortfalls in day-to-day training and improve the capability of Large Force Exercises.



Primary Aircraft that Train Day-to-Day in PRTC



B1



B52

Other Aircraft that may participate in Large Force Exercises



F15



F16



F22



B2



KC-135



KC-46



E-3

