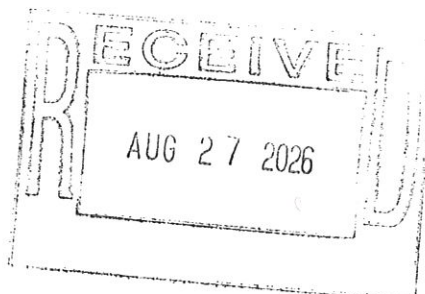




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The Honorable Sandra Lumpkin
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Subject: Notice of Availability of the F-35A Beddown at Moody Air Force Base (AFB), Georgia,
Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Dear The Honorable Sandra Lumpkin

The Department of the Air Force (DAF) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate potential environmental impacts of the proposed F-35A aircraft beddown (Proposed Action) at Moody Air Force Base (AFB), Georgia. The Draft EIS was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended by Public Law 118-5, Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023 (42 United States Code 4321 et seq.), the *Department of War NEPA Implementing Procedures* (30 April 2026) and the *DAF NEPA Implementing Procedures* (2 March 2026).

The F-35A beddown program is closely synchronized with the planned retirement of A-10C aircraft currently based at Moody AFB. The F-35A aircraft operations at the Moody AFB airfield and in special use airspace would replace and expand upon those operations currently conducted by the A-10C aircraft being retired from Moody AFB. Following the completion of the F-35A aircraft beddown, there would be an increase of 165 personnel at Moody AFB to support the two F-35A squadrons over the current baseline personnel requirement. New facilities and infrastructure would be constructed, modified, and renovated at Moody AFB to support the two F-35A squadrons' operations.

In preparing the Draft EIS, the DAF evaluated a Proposed Action and a No Action Alternative. Under the No Action Alternative, the A-10C aircraft at Moody AFB would be fully divested and there would be no beddown of F-35A aircraft.

The Draft EIS is available for review from the project website at <https://www.moodyafb-f35beddown-eis.com/documents> and in hard-copy format at the following public libraries:

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- Collins Main Library, 200 West Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301
- Miller Lakeland Library, 18 South Valdosta Road, Lakeland, Georgia 31635
- McMullen Southside Library, 527 Griffin Avenue, Valdosta, Georgia 31601
- Salter Hahira Library, 220 East Main Street, Hahira, Georgia 31632

The DAF has scheduled one virtual public meeting on Tuesday, 15 September 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). The DAF will hold the virtual public meeting consisting of a presentation followed by a public comment session in which individuals will have the opportunity to provide written comments. The virtual public meeting will be recorded and comments included in the public record. For more information about participating in the virtual public meeting, please visit <https://www.moodyafb-f35beddown-eis.com>. If you require accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please submit your request by contacting the Moody AFB Public Affairs Office at (229) 257-4146 or via email at 23wg.public.affairs@us.af.mil, no later than one week prior to the virtual public meeting date.

Comments on the Draft EIS can be submitted at the virtual public meeting, electronically at <https://www.moodyafb-f35beddown-eis.com/comment>, or by mailing written comments to F-35A Beddown EIS, 4833 Conti Street, Suite 103, New Orleans, Louisiana 70119. To ensure the DAF has sufficient time to consider public comments during the preparation of the Final EIS, please submit comments within the 30-day public comment period, which closes 28 September 2026.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Lorence Busker, 23d Civil Engineer Squadron, at (229) 257-1395 or via email at lorence.busker@us.af.mil. Thank you in advance for your participation in the Draft EIS review and comment process.

Sincerely

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