

Notice of Availability of the Northwest Training and Testing Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS

The U.S. Navy has completed a final supplement to the 2015 Northwest Training and Testing (NWTT) Final Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS). The completion of the Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS follows years of research, analysis, stakeholder and tribal engagement, and public involvement.

Proposed Action

The Navy is proposing to continue training and testing activities at sea and in associated airspace within the Study Area beyond 2020. Proposed activities are similar to those that have occurred in the Study Area for decades and previously analyzed in the 2015 NWTT Final EIS/OEIS.

The purpose of the Proposed Action is to continue training and testing activities to ensure the Navy can accomplish its mission to maintain, train, and equip combat-ready naval forces capable of winning wars, deterring aggression, and maintaining freedom of the seas.

Public Involvement

The Navy is committed to keeping the public informed. The Navy obtained public input at several stages during the environmental planning process and held eight public meetings throughout Washington, Oregon, Northern California, and southeastern Alaska. The Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS includes responses to public comments received during the Draft Supplemental EIS/ OEIS public review and comment period. In accordance with National Environmental Policy Act regulations, the Navy will wait a minimum of 30 days after publication of the Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS before making a final decision on the action.

Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS

The Navy is committed to providing an accessible version of the Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS to the public during COVID-19 conditions. The document will be available beginning Sept. 18, 2020, at <u>www.NWTTEIS.com</u>.

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