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OLF Whitehouse Environmental Assessment Complete

The Navy has completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) examining current and potential future flight operations at Naval Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Whitehouse, Jacksonville, Florida.

The Navy has determined the proposed action will not significantly impact the quality of the human or natural environment or generate significant controversy. Therefore, the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required, and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been issued. Interested parties may view copies of the EA and FONSI for this action at the following website:

http://www.navfac.navy.mil/navfac_worldwide/atlantic/fecs/southeast/about_us/environmental_planning.html

The proposed action considered in the EA is to continue current training operations, transition to next generation aircraft training, and conduct contingency Field Carrier Landing Practice operations (when primary training locations are not available).

The purpose of the proposed action is to sustain realistic fleet training and aviation proficiency at OLF Whitehouse for current and future Navy fixed and rotary-wing and tilt rotor aircraft at levels adequate to meet Navy training and readiness requirements. The proposed action is needed to ensure that the Navy is able to satisfy its statutory requirement of sustaining prompt and long-term combat readiness at sea.

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