



# Disposition of Hangars 2 and 3 Fort Wainwright, Alaska

Environmental Impact Statement Scoping  
and  
National Historic Preservation Act  
Section 106 Consultation



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# Welcome to Scoping

- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
  - Federal agencies must consider environmental impacts prior to making decision
  - EIS prepared documenting effects of the proposed action on the environment
  - Allows public to be involved in the Army's decisionmaking process



# Welcome to Scoping

- Section 106 of National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
  - Section 106 of NHPA requires federal agencies to consider the effects of their projects on historic properties
  - Adverse effects to historic properties must be avoided, minimized, and/or mitigated through an agreement document



# Welcome to Scoping

- What is scoping?
  - Opportunity for us to listen to your concerns about the future disposition of Hangars 2 and 3
  - Announces Army's intent to prepare an EIS and conduct Section 106 consultation
  - Information gathering to help shape the EIS and Section 106 consultation



# Today's Goal

- To collect your comments
  - The Commander, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Wainwright, Alaska needs your input to assist him in making an informed decision that best supports the Army mission in Alaska, health and safety requirements, and historic preservation
- **Thank you for coming to this meeting and for your input!**



# Today's Agenda

- Ladd Field history
- Describe the existing conditions at Hangars 2 and 3 and the need for a future management strategy
- Summarize current topics of concern
- Project timeline





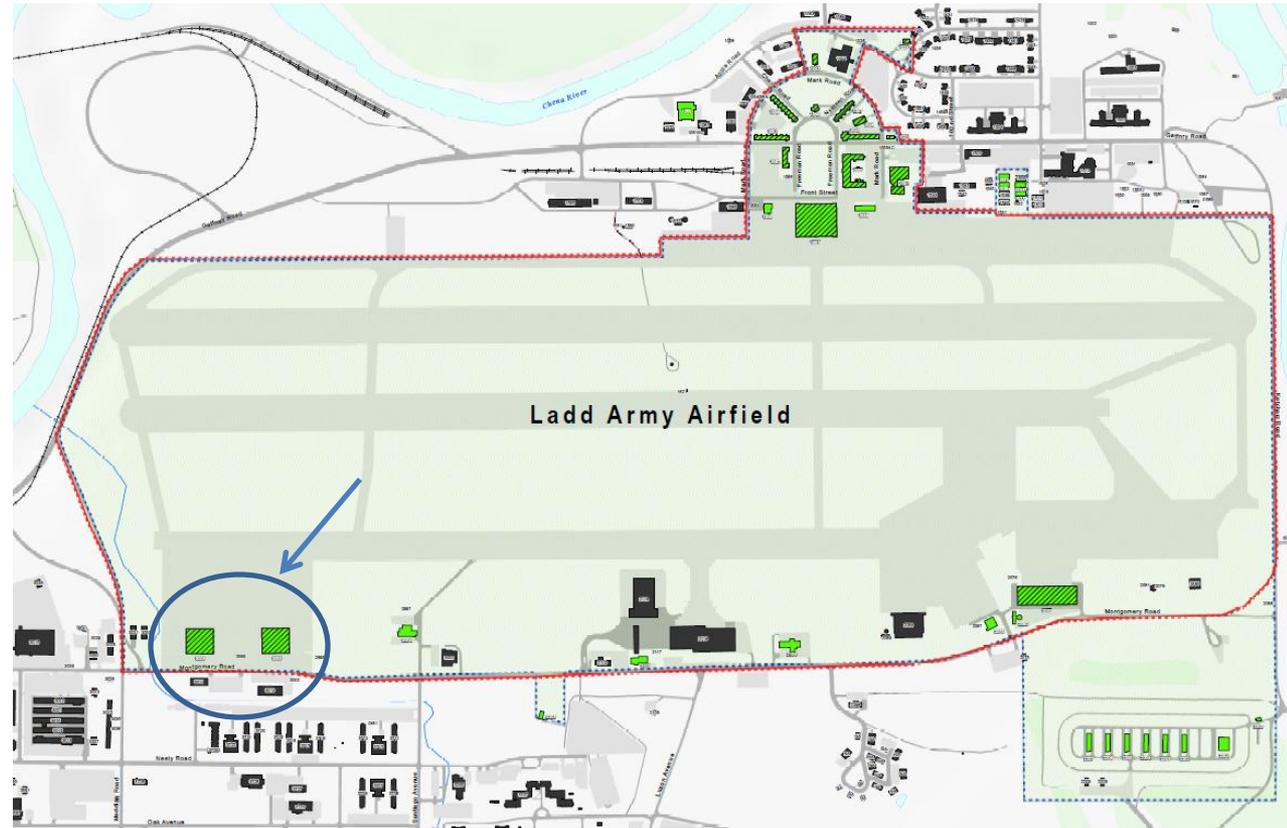
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# Project Area

## Fort Wainwright Main Cantonment Area

- Ladd Field World War II National Historic Landmark
- Ladd Air Force Base Cold War Historic District



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# Ladd Field History

- 1940 - Cold Weather Test Detachment
- World War II - Transfer point for planes along the Northwest Staging Route of the Lend Lease Operations
- Recognizing it's overall importance to the war in the Pacific, the National Park Service designated Ladd Field a National Historic Landmark in 1985





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# Hangars 2 and 3



Contributing Properties to the Ladd Field  
World War II National Historic Landmark



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# Hangars 2 and 3

- Built in 1943
- Distinctive barrel roofs
- Maintenance facilities during WWII
- Housed Fighter Intercept Squadrons during Cold War



# Hangars 2 and 3

- Originally constructed as semi-permanent structures
- Deteriorated wooden trusses and framing members
- Outdated electric, heating and fire protection systems
- Fire in Hangar 2
- Current Status – Unsafe for occupancy and unable to conduct aircraft maintenance actions



# Purpose and Need for Action

- Need to determine alternate use or disposition
- Course of action needs to meet...
  - Life, health and safety standards
  - Compatible airfield land use definitions
  - Facility management objectives
  - Cultural resource management requirements
  - Funding considerations



# Potential Alternatives

- Convert Both Hangars to Another Use
- Demolish Both Hangars
- Convert One Hangar to Another Use and Demolish One Hangar
- Indefinite Mothballing
- Maintain Current Condition (No Action)
- Other Reasonable Options Identified During Scoping

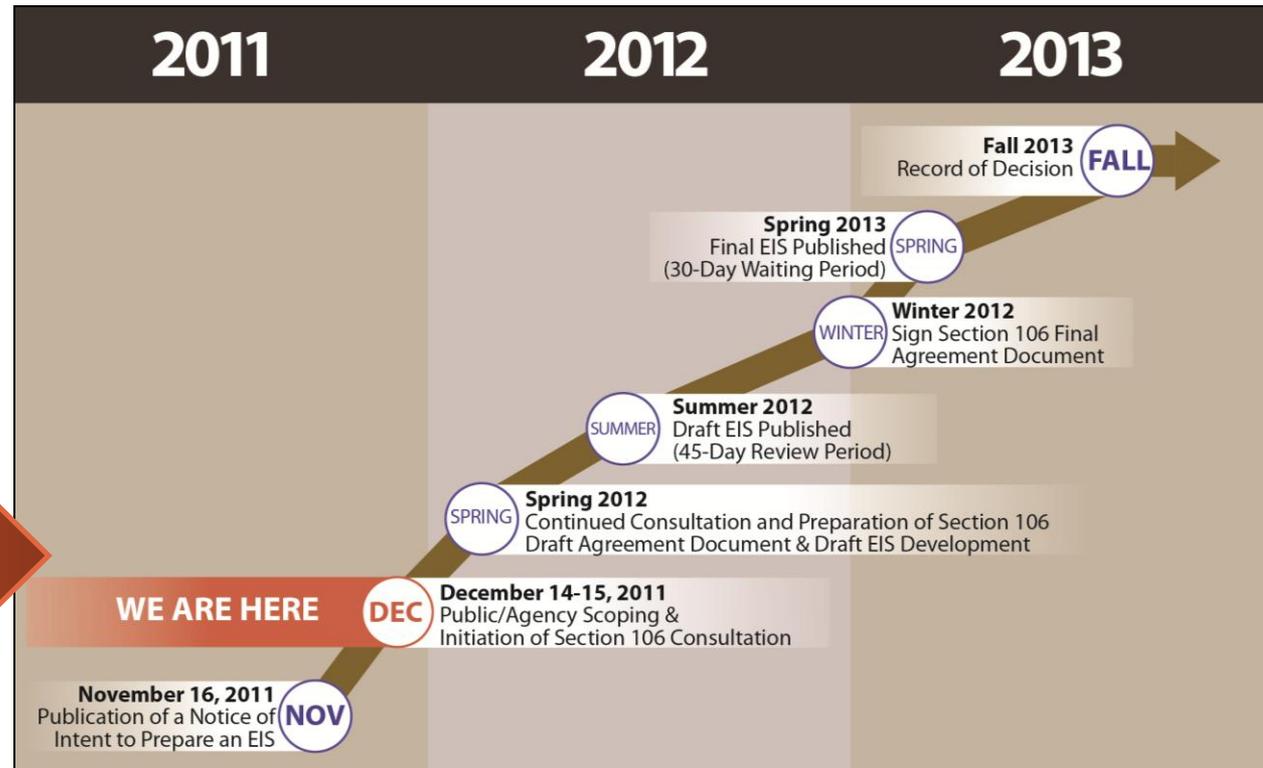


# Topics of Concern

- Air Quality
- Cultural Resources
- Hazardous Materials/Hazardous Waste
- Safety
- Socioeconomics
- Sustainability
- Transportation
- Utilities



# Project Timeline



Scoping comments due by January 17, 2012





# How To Provide Input

- Court Reporter is present today to accept your verbatim comments

- In writing:

- Leave comment form with us today

- Regular Mail to:

- Ms. Carrie McEnteer

- Directorate of Public Works

- Attn: IMPC-FWA-PWE (McEnteer)

- 1060 Gaffney Road #4500

- Fort Wainwright, AK 99703-4500

- Email to:

- [carrie.l.mcenteer.civ@mail.mil](mailto:carrie.l.mcenteer.civ@mail.mil)

- We will make the Draft and Final EIS available via hardcopy, CD or the internet

- For more information:

- <http://www.wainwright.army.mil/env/NEPA/Current.html>

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# Thank You



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