

JOINT LAND USE STUDY—TINKER AIR FORCE BASE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN

Public involvement is a key component of a Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) and assures that all stakeholders and the general public have opportunities to become involved in information-sharing and decision making. Public involvement principles which guide the Joint Land Use Study are:

- Provide an open exchange of information and ideas among the stakeholders, public, and participants of the Joint Land Use Study.
- Be proactive in providing complete information, timely public notice, full public access to decision making, and opportunities for early and continuing involvement.
- Involve all landowners who are potentially affected by the Joint Land Use Study and subsequent land development policy and building code recommendations and decisions. Provide an open forum in which affected parties feel welcome and encouraged to participate in the study process.

The Public Involvement Plan informs and educates the community about the importance of the Joint Land Use Study and how its recommendations will provide a blueprint for compatible development around Tinker Air Force Base. Given that the greater Oklahoma City area and Tinker have enjoyed a symbiotic relationship for decades, it is important to maintain the relationship especially when the prospect of a Base Realignment and Closure process reemerges. Thus, an on-going Public Involvement Plan is critical to the study process as well as the successful implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Land Use Study.

Stakeholders in the study area* who should be encouraged to participate include:

- All owners of property developed and undeveloped
- Elected officials (local, state and federal)
- Owners and managers of hospitals, other medical centers, nursing homes and day care centers
- Learning centers (public school districts, private schools, colleges, etc.)
- Home builders, residential and commercial developers, and realtors
- Veterans and retired military personnel and their families living in the area
- Leadership teams of aerospace industry companies in the area
- Chambers of Commerce and Economic Development Corps.
- Active military personnel stationed at Tinker

* The JLUS study area includes Tinker AFB and those areas designated in the *2006 Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) Study for Tinker AFB* within the Clear Zones, Accident Potential Zones and Noise Contours.

Communication activities that make up the Public Involvement Plan include:

- Public meetings of the Policy Committee;
- Continually-updated, detailed information on the website of ACOG with links to the websites of the area cities and Chambers of Commerce;
- Development of and on-going additions to a study database of stakeholders and interested members of the public;
- Information mailings that include public meeting notices;
- News release distribution to daily and community newspapers and broadcast media as well as editorial board participation;
- Briefings to area city councils, planning and zoning commissions, and other municipal commissions and task forces focused on economic development as well as county commissioners that also serve as public briefings;
- Briefings to the superintendents and board members of the Mid-Del, Oklahoma City, Choctaw/Nicoma Park and Spencer Independent School Districts;
- Development and utilization of a graphic presentation for the study including a theme;
- Briefings to stakeholder groups including but not limited to builders, developers, realtors, neighborhood associations, and watch groups within the study area;
- Briefings to civic organizations such as Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, etc.;
- Outreach to military personnel and their families, retired military personnel and their families; and veterans;
- Utilization of print material outlets and email distribution networks that are available through major employers in the area; and
- Updates to state and federal elected officials, seeking on-going support and input.

Media relations are an important component of a successful Joint Land Use Study. News coverage should be encouraged throughout the process and editorial support from local media should be requested. Opinion page articles expressing reasons for supporting the study's recommendations should be submitted for publication. A media list that includes daily newspapers, community papers, radio, TV and publications of chambers of commerce and other community interests should be developed and maintained during the study.

The Public Involvement Plan is a guide for encouraging and soliciting public input during the Joint Land Use Study. From time to time, during the course of the study, components may be added to the plan in order to keep all interested parties fully informed.

Tinker AFB JLUS Public Involvement Timeline

		July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
TASKS	DATES/NOTES										
POLICY MEETINGS											
1	Policy Committee Meeting										
	ACOG Member Briefing (local, state and federal officials, chambers)										
2											
3	Technical Work Group										
PUBLIC MEETINGS											
4	General Public Meetings										
5	Oklahoma County Commissioners public meeting										
6	Cleveland County Commissioners public meeting										
7	Oklahoma City, City Council public meeting										
8	Midwest City, City Council public meeting										
9	Del City, City Council public meeting										
10	Spencer, City Council public meeting										
11	Nicoma, City Council public meeting										
12	Choctaw, City Council public meeting										
STAKEHOLDERS MEETINGS											
13	Planning and Zoning Commissions										
14	Public Independent School Districts, etc.										
15	Chambers of Commerce / Economic Development Associations										
16	Tinker Leadership Council										
17	Neighborhood Associations in Affected Areas										
18	Area Builders/Developers/Realtors										
19	Civic Organizations										
MEDIA/OUTREACH											
20	Daily Oklahoma Editorial Board and other media										
21	News Release, 1st public meeting										
22	News Release, 2nd public meeting										
23	News Release, 3rd public meeting										
24	News Release, Draft Recommendations										
25	Ongoing Media as desired										
26	Chamber Publications										
27	Cable TV local access										
INFORMATION MATERIALS											
28	Newsletters (print & electronic)										
29	Mailers										
30	Website (with FAQs)										

*Additional media & community meetings to be scheduled as needed

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