

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PROPOSED FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT/ FINDING OF NO PRACTICABLE ALTERNATIVE FOR DOG PARK CONSTRUCTION AT TINKER AIR FORCE BASE (AFB), OKLAHOMA

An Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared to analyze construction and operation of a dog park at Tinker Air Force Base (AFB) to provide military family housing residents an easily accessible location to exercise and socialize small and large breed pets. Presently, the closest dog parks to Tinker AFB are located three miles and eight miles away in Del City and Midwest City, respectively.

Three alternative locations were assessed; however, only one location is viable due to selection standards associated with the project. A No-action Alternative was also examined which analyzes potential effects of no dog park construction or operation at Tinker AFB. The EA, prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Council on Environmental Quality regulations, and Air Force instructions implementing NEPA; evaluates potential impacts of the alternatives on the environment. Based on the EA, the Air Force has prepared a proposed Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Finding of No Practicable Alternative (FONPA) because the proposed fencing around the dog park would be constructed within the 100- and 500-year floodplains.

The public is invited to review the draft EA and make comments. A copy of the Draft EA and proposed FONSI/FONPA is available at the Midwest City Public Library, 8143 E Reno Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73110, (405) 732-4828. The EA is also available on the Tinker AFB website at <http://www.tinker.af.mil/library/environment/index.asp>.

Comments may be submitted through 28 June 2016 and be provided to Mr. Tim Taylor, 72 ABW/CEIEC, 7535 5th Street, Tinker AFB, OK 73145, or by email to Timothy.taylor.5@us.af.mil.

PRIVACY ADVISORY NOTICE

Public comments on this Draft EA are requested pursuant to NEPA, 42 United States Code 4321, et seq. All written comments received during the comment period will be made available to the public and considered during the final EA preparation. Providing private address information with your comment is voluntary and such personal information will be kept confidential unless release is required by law. However, address information will be used to compile the project mailing list and failure to provide it will result in your name not being included on the mailing list.