
MEETING NOTES
FROM
PUBLIC OUTREACH WORKSHOP
FOR THE
SHAW AIR FORCE BASE/POINSETT ECR
2016 JOINT LAND USE STUDY
JULY 18, 2016
6:30 P.M.

JLUS Project Manager, George McGregor opened the public meeting at 6:30 p.m. and gave some background to those in attendance on the Joint Land Use Study effort. George outlined the process, discussed funding, and noted that the community had undertaken similar efforts in the early 1990s and 2000s. George thanked those in attendance and asked JLUS lead consultant Tyson Smith to begin the team's presentation.

Tyson once again welcomed everyone and expressed the appreciation of the JLUS team and policy committee for their attendance. Tyson began the presentation attached here and briefly reviewed the purpose of the JLUS planning process in general and locally.

Tyson reviewed the prior JLUS efforts and described the 2004 and 2013 AICUZ Studies and 2013 Environmental Impact Statement, which had shed additional light on current F-16 and potential F-35 future operations at Shaw AFB specifically. It is these types of changes in mission and available inputs that drive the need to update the JLUS at a given installation over time.

Doug Allen, JLUS Team member from Marstel-Day, then outlined the results of the public survey, which are included in the attached presentation and let those in attendance know that hardcopy results of the survey were on-hand at the meeting and available on the project website as well. Doug then reviewed the background information assembled into Chapter 2 of the JLUS report, including population, growth, economic, and other demographic trends. Doug also described the potential encroachment concerns that arise in conjunction with spectrum interference and civilian use of drones.

Vagn Hansen, JLUS Team member from Benchmark, described in detail the findings of the land use compatibility analysis he had conducted and which would be set forth in Chapter 3 of the JLUS report. Vagn detailed the methodology used, the updated 2015 Air Force compatibility guidance, and the results of the team's analysis related to existing land uses and the noise and safety impacts associated



with Shaw AFB and Poinsett ECR. The analysis included impacts associated with the F-16 and potential F-35A fighter jets. Vagn explained that the Policy Committee had decided to base its efforts and recommendations in the JLUS on the 3-squadron scenario for the potential beddown of the F-35A at Shaw (Scenario 3). It was recognized, however, that whether the F-35A would be used at Shaw had not yet been confirmed and that updated noise impact data would be prepared and available before any F-35 squadrons would be permanently located at Shaw. Vagn described also the operations currently in place at Poinsett ECR and the fact that these operations change according to the nature and needs of the installation using the facility and that available noise impact data was somewhat outdated.

Tyson then reviewed the recommendations of the JLUS Policy Committee at this point and explained that it was the intent of the Policy Committee to receive any input or concerns the public had prior to its finalizing the JLUS in the coming months.

The floor was then open to public comment and questions, which included:

- Clarification that Shaw and Poinsett do not operate and are not at this time anticipated to operate drones; that the JLUS recommendations and information related to drones are provided solely as to civilian use of drones and how they could impact air operations at Shaw;
- That the addition of the U.S. Army Central (USARCENT) facilities did not necessitate additional property/land at Shaw, but was accommodated on existing available lands;
- That the JLUS land use compatibility analysis included existing residences in the accident potential zones;
- That a 1992 MOU was executed to facilitate coordination between Shaw and the City and County.

Tyson then outlined the remaining steps in the Joint Land Use Study process, including the JLUS Team's preparation of the final chapters and sections of the JLUS and the presentation of the full report to the committees and the public for review and comment. It was anticipated at that time that the final public meeting on the JLUS would be held in the evening of September 12, 2016 and that the final draft report and details of the public meeting would be posted to the project website.

The public meeting was adjourned at around 7:45 p.m. About 15 members of the community were in attendance.

