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## **Navy to Host Public Meeting for OLF Whitehouse Environmental Assessment**

The Navy is announcing the release of a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for Flight Operations at Naval Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Whitehouse. The EA addresses the potential environmental effects of continuing current training operations and transitioning to next generation aircraft training at OLF Whitehouse. Additionally, the proposed action includes the possibility of establishing OLF Whitehouse as a contingency Field Carrier Landing Practice (FCLP) site for carrier air wing aircraft when other east coast locations are unavailable. Community input will be used to help refine the proposal and alternatives, and improve the analysis.

The Draft EA is now available for review at the West Regional Branch Library, 1425 Chaffee Road South, Jacksonville, FL 32221, and electronically at [http://navfac.navy.mil/navfac\\_worldwide/atlantic/fecs/southeast/about\\_us/environmental\\_planning.html](http://navfac.navy.mil/navfac_worldwide/atlantic/fecs/southeast/about_us/environmental_planning.html).

The Navy will host an open house public meeting that will allow the public to speak to project representatives one-on-one and submit written comments. The public is invited to attend this meeting Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at the Cecil Commerce Center Conference Center, 13561 Lake Newman Street. The meeting will be conducted in an open house format, and the public is invited to attend any time between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

Comments will be accepted from July 5 through August 4. Comments can be made in person at the public meeting, or sent via e-mail to: [EA\\_Comments@navy.mil](mailto:EA_Comments@navy.mil)

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**NOTICE TO MEDIA:** Navy representatives will be available for interviews at a media availability scheduled for 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 19, at OLF Whitehouse. Media interested in attending this availability should contact NAS Jacksonville Public Affairs officer Ms. Miriam Gallet, at 904-(904) 542-5588.