



The Missile Defense Agency to Hold Public Scoping Meetings for the Continental United States Interceptor Site Environmental Impact Statement

The Missile Defense Agency (MDA) in cooperation with the Michigan Army National Guard will host a public scoping meeting to review the scope of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a potential additional interceptor site to be located in the Continental United States. Fort Custer Training Center is one of four locations under consideration. **The Department of Defense has not made a decision to deploy or construct a Continental United States Interceptor Site (CIS).**

When: August 26, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Location: McCamly Plaza Hotel
Branson Ballroom
50 Capital Avenue SW
Battle Creek, MI 49017

When: August 28, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Location: Sherman Lake YMCA
The Great Hall
6225 North 39th Street
Augusta, MI 49012

The 2013 National Defense Authorization Act requires the MDA to prepare an EIS to evaluate possible additional locations in the U.S. best suited for a potential future deployment of an interceptor site capable of protecting the homeland against threats from nations, such as North Korea and Iran. The existing Ground-based Midcourse Defense System provides homeland defense from a limited long-range ballistic missile attack. **The Department of Defense has not made a decision to deploy or construct the CIS.**

Four locations are being considered as part of the EIS: Fort Custer Training Center (FCTC), Augusta, MI; Camp Ravenna Joint Military Training Center – Ohio Army National Guard, Portage and Trumbull Counties, OH; Fort Drum, Fort Drum, NY; and the Center for Security Forces Detachment Kittery Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape Facility (SERE East), Redington Township, ME.

Public input is important to ensure significant environmental issues, other areas of concern, and alternatives are considered early in the EIS process.

The public meeting will be in an open house format, which provides attendees with the opportunity to talk with and ask questions of representatives from the MDA and Fort Custer. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to provide verbal and written official comments. The MDA will use your input to help identify environmental and other issues to be considered in completing this EIS.

In addition to attending the meeting, the public may submit written comments until September 15, 2014.

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