

## APPENDIX D

### Air Quality Methodology and Calculations

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## 1 Introduction

This appendix summarizes the methodology used to estimate criteria air pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions resulting from the proposed strike fighter transition at Naval Air Station (NAS) Oceana. Emissions associated with the affected environment are also presented for purposes of comparison.

## 2 Methodology

Annual emissions from airfield operations at NAS Oceana and Naval Auxiliary Landing Field (NALF) Fentress was modeled based on the estimated number of annual flight operations and on-station maintenance operations for the affected environment and Proposed Action conditions using established methodology and emission factor documents and models. A complete list of references used can be found in Section 4.

## 3 Air Emissions Analysis

Aircraft engines emit criteria pollutants during all phases of aircraft operations. Operation types at NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress include: tactical jet arrival, departures, and patterns as well as maintenance operations. Departures consist of normal and interfacility departures. Arrivals consist of the following types: Visual Flight Rules (VFR), overhead, Instrument Flight Rules (IFR), interfacility VFR, and interfacility overhead. Patterns consist of touch and go (T&G), field carrier landing practice (FCLP), and ground controlled approach (GCA).

The methodology for estimating aircraft emissions involves the evaluation of several variables, including:

- The types of operation conducted by each type of aircraft;
- The number of arrivals, departures, and patterns;
- The type of aircraft engine and the mode of operation used for each type of aircraft; and
- Engine runups during maintenance and pre-flight, as applicable.

Procedures to calculate emissions from each aircraft type include the following steps:

- Obtain emission factors for each aircraft engine type using established data sources.
- Consider the range of operation types for each aircraft.
- Apply the applicable aircraft operating mode associated with annual flight operations.
- Calculate the emission rates for each aircraft type and operating mode by multiplying the respective emissions rates by annual flight operation numbers.
- Determine the total annual emissions by combining the emissions from all operations for all aircraft types. This includes the operation of ground support equipment that are used as part of aircraft operations while they are on the ground.

The aircraft operations data used for this estimate are from the *Report Aircraft Noise Study to Support the Environmental Assessment for Strike Fighter Transition at NAS Oceana, VA* (Blue Ridge Research and

consulting, LLC, September 2017) established for the No Action Alternative and the Proposed Action conditions, as well as engine runup maintenance estimates. The operational inputs used for the analysis are presented in Attachment 1 of this appendix.

Calculated aircraft emissions are presented in:

- Attachment 2: NAS Oceana Operational Emissions.
- Attachment 3: NALF Fentress Operational Emissions.
- Attachment 4: NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress Combined Emissions.

Although air pollutant emissions occur during all phases of aircraft operation (parking, idling, and in-flight), only those emissions occurring in the lower atmosphere’s mixing layer have the potential to result in ground-level ambient air quality impacts. The mixing layer is the air layer extending from ground level up to the point at which the vertical mixing of pollutants decreases significantly. The USEPA recommends that a default mixing layer of 3,000 feet (914 meters) be used in aircraft emission calculations (USEPA 1992). Consistent with this recommendation, aircraft emissions released above 3,000 feet (914 meters) were not included in this study.

Differences in total estimated emissions under the affected environment and the Action Alternative are presented in Table D-1.

**Table D-1 -Affected Environment and Action Alternative Operational Emissions  
at NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress**

Action	Annual Emissions (Tons per Year) <sup>1</sup>						
	VOC <sup>2</sup>	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub> <sup>3</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> e <sup>4</sup>
Affected Environment	415.22	1,372.22	617.91	94.61	249.06	249.04	121,373.18
Action Alternative	378.30	1,649.42	747.73	96.78	255.28	255.25	122,563.37
Net Change	-36.92	277.20	129.82	2.17	6.22	6.21	1,190.17

<sup>1</sup> Include additional GSE emissions within NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress Airfield.

<sup>2</sup> VOC emissions = HC emissions multiplied by 1.15 (VOC conversion from *Recommended Best Practice for Quantifying Speciated Organic Gas Emissions from Aircraft equipped with Turbofan, Turbojet, and Turboprop Engines*, version 1.0, USEPA, May 2009, Table 4)

<sup>3</sup> Conservatively assumed to be the same as PM<sub>10</sub>.

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**Attachment 1**  
**NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress Aircraft Operations**

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**Table 1-1 - NAS Oceana Aircraft Operations – Affected Environment**

Aircraft Type	Based	Transient	Total Operations	Percent Operations
F/A-18C/D	33,600	0	33,600	40.0%
F/A-18E/F	44,400	40	44,440	53.0%
C-40A	800	237	1,037	1.2%
T-34C	800	2048	2,848	3.4%
E2		414	414	0.5%
SH-60		554	554	0.7%
B-190		418	418	0.5%
C130		157	157	0.2%
C17		172	172	0.2%
EA6		122	122	0.1%
F16		138	138	0.2%
Total	79,600	4,300	83,900	100.0%

**Table 1-2 - NAS Oceana Aircraft Operations – Action Alternative**

Aircraft Type	Based	Transient	Total Operations	Percent Operations
F/A-18C/D	0	0	0	0.00%
F/A-18E/F	78,000	40	78,040	93.02%
C-40A	800	237	1,037	1.24%
T-34C	800	2,048	2,848	3.39%
E2		414	414	0.49%
SH-60		554	554	0.66%
B-190		418	418	0.50%
C130		157	157	0.19%
C17		172	172	0.21%
EA6		122	122	0.15%
F16		138	138	0.16%
Total	79,600	4,300	83,900	100.00%

**Table 1-3 - NALF Fentress Aircraft Operations – Affected Environment**

Aircraft Type	Other		Total Operations	Percent Operations
F/A-18C/D	18,500		18,500	21.9%
F/A-18E/F	57,600	849	58,449	69.3%
E-2 (C-2)	4,300		4,300	5.1%
C-130		24	24	0.0%
EA-6B		573	573	0.7%
FA-16E		0	0	0.0%
SH-60		2,218	2,218	2.6%
B-190		36	36	0.0%
MQ-4		200	200	0.2%
Total	80,400	3,900	84,300	100.0%

**Table 1-4 - NALF Fentress Aircraft Operations – Action Alternative**

Aircraft Type	Other		Total Operations	Percent Operations
F/A-18C/D	0		0	0.0%
F/A-18E/F	76,100	849	76,949	91.3%
E-2 (C-2)	4,300		4,300	5.1%
C-130		24	24	0.0%
EA-6B		573	573	0.7%
FA-16E		0	0	0.0%
SH-60		2,218	2,218	2.6%
B-190		36	36	0.0%
MQ-4		200	200	0.2%
Total	80,400	3,900	84,300	100.0%

**Attachment 2**  
**NAS Oceana Operational Emissions**

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**Table 2-1 - NAS Oceana Airfield Emissions – Affected Environment**

Aircraft Type	VOCs <sup>1</sup>	CO	NOx	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> e <sup>2</sup>
F/A-18 C/D Operations	160.06	334.26	88.80	22.41	62.93	62.93	28,426
Engine Maintenance Runups	38.95	97.11	13.01	4.06	12.31	12.31	5,008
F/A-18E/F Operations	195.94	808.98	258.53	34.59	97.06	97.06	44,132
Engine Maintenance Runups	8.86	82.00	12.92	2.28	6.88	6.88	2,853
C-40 Operations	0.96	8.81	14.71	2.43	0.25	0.25	3,144
T-34 Operations	1.09	4.82	0.80	0.30	0.50	0.50	392
E-2C Operations	0.03	0.22	0.93	0.21	0.05	0.05	284
H-60 Operations	0.17	1.35	0.38	0.16	0.24	0.24	210
EA-6B Operations	0.72	1.54	0.34	0.13	0.84	0.84	171
B190 Operations	0.80	2.55	0.10	0.03	0.02	0.02	78
C-130 Operations	0.09	0.80	0.94	0.19	0.13	0.13	247
C-17 Operations	0.22	2.42	3.85	0.26	0.11	0.11	699
F-16 Operations	0.01	0.20	0.24	0.03	0.06	0.05	81
Subtotal Aircraft Operations	407.92	1,345.07	395.56	67.09	181.39	181.38	85,725
GSE	0.55	2.37	6.39	0.24	0.47	0.46	135
Total Airfield Operations	408.47	1,347.44	401.94	67.33	181.86	181.84	85,860

<sup>1</sup>VOC conversion from *Recommended Best Practice for Quantifying Speciated Organic Gas Emissions from Aircraft Equipped with Turbofan, Turbojet, and Turboprop Engines*, version 1.0, USEPA, May 2009, Table 4.

<sup>2</sup> Metric tons.

**Table 2-2 - NAS Oceana Airfield Emissions – Action Alternative**

Aircraft Type	VOCs <sup>1</sup>	CO	NOx	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> e <sup>2</sup>
F/A-18E/F Operations	350.74	1,447.80	446.14	60.01	168.32	168.32	76,481.31
Engine Maintenance Runups	17.16	154.95	24.48	4.38	13.36	13.36	3,716.11
C-40 Operations	0.96	8.81	14.71	2.24	0.24	0.24	2,895.60
T-34 Operations	1.09	4.82	0.80	0.30	0.50	0.50	391.60
E-2C Operations	0.03	0.22	0.93	0.20	0.05	0.05	284.06
H-60 Operations	0.17	1.35	0.38	0.16	0.24	0.24	210.29
EA-6B Operations	0.72	1.54	0.34	0.13	0.84	0.84	171.00
B190 Operations	0.59	1.91	0.10	0.02	0.02	0.02	67.54
C-130 Operations	0.09	0.80	0.94	0.19	0.13	0.13	247.01
C-17 Operations	0.21	2.39	1.61	0.17	0.04	0.04	463.45
F-16 Operations	0.01	0.20	0.24	0.03	0.06	0.05	81.15
Subtotal Aircraft Operations	371.79	1,624.79	490.66	67.84	183.80	183.79	85,009.12
GSE	0.53	2.29	6.15	0.24	0.46	0.44	129.65
Total Airfield Operations	372.32	1,627.08	496.81	68.08	184.25	184.23	85,138.78
Net Change from Affected Environment	-36.15	279.64	94.87	0.74	2.39	2.39	-722.21

<sup>1</sup>VOC conversion from *Recommended Best Practice for Quantifying Speciated Organic Gas Emissions from Aircraft Equipped with Turbofan, Turbojet, and Turboprop Engines*, version 1.0, USEPA, May 2009, Table 4.

<sup>2</sup> Metric tons.

**Attachment 3**  
**NALF Fentress Operational Emissions**

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**Table 3-1 - NALF Fentress Airfield Operations Emissions – Affected Environment**

Aircraft Type	VOCs <sup>1</sup>	CO	NOx	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> e <sup>2</sup>
F/A-18 C/D Operations	1.17	4.46	23.01	4.86	12.00	12.00	6,263.05
F/A-18E/F Operations	1.23	6.38	183.19	19.83	49.97	49.97	25,829.63
E-2C Operations	0.16	0.83	6.38	1.27	0.31	0.31	1,692.01
C130 Operations	0.01	0.12	0.14	0.03	0.02	0.02	37.76
EA6 Operations	3.40	7.23	1.58	0.63	3.92	3.92	803.13
F16 Operations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SH-60 Operations	0.70	5.41	1.52	0.65	0.98	0.98	841.93
B-190 Operations	0.05	0.16	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.85
MQ4 Operations	0.02	0.18	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.00	38.83
Total Airfield Operations	6.76	24.78	215.96	27.28	67.20	67.20	35,512.18

<sup>1</sup>VOC conversion from *Recommended Best Practice for Quantifying Speciated Organic Gas Emissions from Aircraft Equipped with Turbofan, Turbojet, and Turboprop Engines*, version 1.0, USEPA, May 2009, Table 4.

<sup>2</sup> Metric tons.

**Table 3-2 - NALF Fentress Airfield Emissions – Action Alternative**

Aircraft Type	VOCs <sup>1</sup>	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> e <sup>2</sup>
F/A-18E/F Operations	1.62	8.40	241.17	26.10	65.79	65.79	34,005.10
E-2C Operations	0.16	0.83	6.38	1.27	0.31	0.31	1,692.01
C130 Operations	0.01	0.12	0.14	0.03	0.02	0.02	37.76
EA6 Operations	3.40	7.23	1.58	0.63	3.92	3.92	803.13
F16 Operations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SH-60 Operations	0.70	5.41	1.52	0.65	0.98	0.98	841.93
B-190 Operations	0.05	0.16	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.85
MQ4 Operations	0.02	0.18	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.00	38.83
Total Airfield Operations	6	22	251	29	71	71	37425
Net Change from Affected Environment	-0.78	-2.44	34.97	1.42	3.82	3.82	1,912.42

<sup>1</sup>VOC conversion from *Recommended Best Practice for Quantifying Speciated Organic Gas Emissions from Aircraft Equipped with Turbofan, Turbojet, and Turboprop Engines*, version 1.0, USEPA, May 2009, Table 4.

<sup>2</sup> Metric tons.

**Attachment 4**  
**NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress Combined Operational Emissions**

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**Table 4-1 - NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress Airfield Emissions – Affected Environment**

Aircraft Type	VOCs <sup>1</sup>	CO	NOx	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> e <sup>2</sup>
F/A-18 C/D Operations	161.23	338.72	111.81	27.27	74.93	74.93	34,689.04
Engine Maintenance Runups	38.95	97.11	13.01	4.06	12.31	12.31	5,008.02
F/A-18E/F Operations	197.17	815.36	441.72	54.41	147.03	147.03	69,961.95
Engine Maintenance Runups	8.86	82.00	12.92	2.28	6.88	6.88	2,853.41
C-40 Operations	0.96	8.81	14.71	2.43	0.25	0.25	3,144.11
T-34 Operations	1.09	4.82	0.80	0.30	0.50	0.50	391.60
E-2C Operations	0.20	1.05	7.31	1.49	0.36	0.36	1,976.07
H-60 Operations	0.87	6.76	1.89	0.81	1.22	1.22	1,052.22
EA-6B Operations	4.13	8.78	1.92	0.77	4.76	4.76	974.12
B190 Operations	0.85	2.72	0.11	0.03	0.02	0.02	84.05
C-130 Operations	0.10	0.93	1.08	0.22	0.15	0.15	284.77
C-17 Operations	0.22	2.42	3.85	0.26	0.11	0.11	699.26
F-16 Operations	0.01	0.20	0.24	0.03	0.06	0.05	81.15
MQ-4 Operations	0.02	0.18	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.00	38.83
Subtotal Aircraft Operations	414.67	1,369.85	611.51	94.37	248.59	248.58	121,238.58
GSE	0.55	2.37	6.39	0.24	0.47	0.46	134.58
Total Airfield Operations	415.22	1,372.22	617.91	94.61	249.06	249.04	121,373.18

<sup>1</sup>VOC conversion from *Recommended Best Practice for Quantifying Speciated Organic Gas Emissions from Aircraft Equipped with Turbofan, Turbojet, and Turboprop Engines*, version 1.0, USEPA, May 2009, Table 4.

<sup>2</sup> Metric tons.

**Table 4-2 - NAS Oceana and NALF Fentress Airfield Emissions – Action Alternative**

Aircraft Type	VOCs <sup>1</sup>	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub> e <sup>2</sup>
F/A-18E/F Operations	352.36	1,456.20	687.30	86.11	234.10	234.10	110,486.41
Engine Maintenance Runups	17.16	154.95	24.48	4.38	13.36	13.36	3,716.11
C-40 Operations	0.96	8.81	14.71	2.24	0.24	0.24	2,895.60
T-34 Operations	1.09	4.82	0.80	0.30	0.50	0.50	391.60
E-2C Operations	0.20	1.05	7.31	1.47	0.36	0.36	1,976.07
H-60 Operations	0.87	6.76	1.89	0.81	1.22	1.22	1,052.22
EA-6B Operations	4.13	8.78	1.92	0.77	4.76	4.76	974.12
B190 Operations	0.64	2.07	0.11	0.03	0.02	0.02	73.39
C-130 Operations	0.10	0.93	1.08	0.22	0.15	0.15	284.77
C-17 Operations	0.21	2.39	1.61	0.17	0.04	0.04	463.45
F-16 Operations	0.01	0.20	0.24	0.03	0.06	0.05	81.15
MQ-4 Operations	0.02	0.18	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.00	38.83
Subtotal Aircraft Operations	377.77	1,647.13	741.58	96.54	254.82	254.81	122,433.72
GSE	0.53	2.29	6.15	0.24	0.46	0.44	129.65
Total Airfield Operations	378.30	1,649.42	747.73	96.78	255.28	255.25	122,563.37
Net Change from Affected Environment	-36.92	277.20	129.82	2.17	6.22	6.21	1,190.17

<sup>1</sup>VOC conversion from *Recommended Best Practice for Quantifying Speciated Organic Gas Emissions from Aircraft Equipped with Turbofan, Turbojet, and Turboprop Engines*, version 1.0, USEPA, May 2009, Table 4.

<sup>2</sup> Metric tons.