

PUBLIC NOTICE
DEPARTMENT AIR FORCE USE OF ADOPTED CATEGORICAL EXCLUSIONS FOR
MULTIPLE PROJECTS at SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

From 5 - 30 June 2025, multiple projects on Scott Air Force Base have adopted Categorical Exclusions (CATEX) from other agencies as part of their Environmental Impact Analysis Process (EIAP). Air Force EIAP was conducted on the projects in accordance with 32 CFR Part 989 to comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and Air Force regulations. Pursuant to NEPA, the use of a CATEX may be appropriate where an agency has determined an action falls within a category of actions that a federal agency has determined normally does not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Agencies may rely on CATEXs promulgated by the agency itself, or those promulgated by other agencies adopted pursuant to 42 USC §4336c. On 25 Nov 24, the Air Force published in the Federal Register (89 FR 92911) its identification and adoption of a range of other agencies CATEXs.

The Department of the Army CATEX described in Appendix B to 32 CFR Part 651, Section II, paragraph (c)(2) “Demolition of non-historic buildings, structures, or other improvements and disposal of debris, therefrom, or removal of a part thereof for disposal, in accordance with applicable regulations, including those regulations applying to removal of asbestos, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), lead based paint, and other special hazard items” was used for the following projects:

- Demo Fence F6052 and Remaining Pavements at Warrior Training Site
- Demo Pavilion 1

The Department of the Navy CATEX described in Appendix B to 32 CFR Part 651, Section II, paragraph (f)(14) Alterations of and additions to existing buildings, facilities, and systems (e.g., structures, roads, runways, vessels, aircraft, or equipment) when the environmental effects will remain substantially the same and the use is consistent with applicable regulations” was used for the following projects:

- Golf Course Patio and 10th Tee

The Department of the Navy CATEX described in Appendix B to 32 CFR Part 651, Section II, paragraph (f)(33) New construction that is like or compatible with existing land use (i.e., site and scale of construction are consistent with those of existing adjacent or nearby facilities) and, when completed, the use or operation of which complies with existing regulatory requirements (e.g., a building within a cantonment area with associated discharges and runoff within existing handling capacities). The test for whether this CATEX can be applied should focus on whether the proposed action generally fits within the designated land use of the proposed site” was used for the following projects:

- Cardinal Creek Gate Cover

Procedurally this Environmental Impact Analysis was developed in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as amended by Public Law 118-5, Fiscal Responsibility Act (FRA) of 2023 (42 United States Code [U.S.C.] 4321 et seq.), and the DAF's Environmental Impact Analysis Process (32 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] 989).

A review of the proposed projects and methods for construction and operation resulted in no anticipated adverse effects to the environment. The project will not affect wetlands, floodplains, or other sensitive habitats or have any effect on federally listed threatened or endangered species. The projects were reviewed by the installation's environmental program managers who determined no project listed will adversely affect air quality, hazardous waste removal, human safety/occupational health, restoration efforts and land use. The analysis and findings have been documented on Air Force Form 813 as required by the Air Force EIAP process.

This posting will be publicly available on the Scott AFB website for 30 days. Inquiries may be sent to Mrs. Nicole Gunyon at Nicole.Gunyon@us.af.mil.