



Proposed Modernization and Expansion of Townsend Bombing Range (TBR) in McIntosh County, Georgia.

Project Scoping Comment Summary — May 2011

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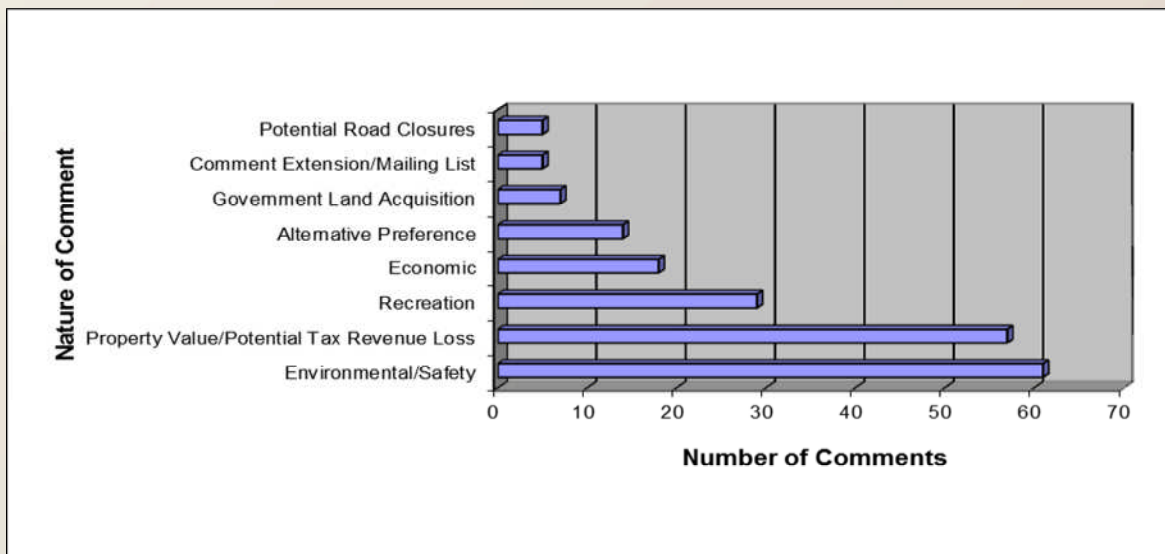
➤ Introduction

This Project Scoping Comment Summary offers a focused look at public comments received during scoping. Scoping is the process by which the Navy and Marine Corps solicited input from the public and interested agencies on the nature and extent of issues and impacts to be addressed in the TBR Modernization and Expansion Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The scoping also identified the methods by which the issues and impacts will be evaluated. To see an overview of the project and other key project-related information please visit the project Web site at www.townsendbombingrangeeis.com.

➤ Public Scoping Comment Summary

The Marine Corps received public comments on the Proposed Action and alternatives during the public scoping process from August 6 to September 7, 2010, and from October 10 to November 8, 2010. These comments will be considered in the development of the EIS. The chart below summarizes the types and numbers of public comments.

- 110 comments were received during the two scoping periods.
- 65% of all comments were submitted by local residents/landowners.
- 52% of all comments mentioned property values and potential loss of tax revenue.



➤ Future Significant Project Milestones:

- Draft EIS – Spring 2012
- Public Meeting and Comment Period on Draft EIS – Spring 2012
- Final Environmental Impact Statement – Winter 2012