Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI)

Preparing for Duty
State Policy Options to Sustain Military Installations

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The Problem: Encroachment
Air, Land, and Sea Space for Test and Training Requirements
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Purchasing Land or Development Rights

• One way states can support creation of buffer areas is to establish a statewide program that provides:
  – Funding for purchase of land or development rights in the vicinity of military installations that are struggling with encroachment.
  – At least four states—Arizona, Florida, North Carolina and Virginia—currently have such funding programs.
  – States commonly have funded or financed these programs through appropriations, dedicated lottery revenues and bonds.
  – State programs that help to purchase land may also provide funding to purchase development rights, which can be much less costly.
Military Advisory Bodies
The Florida Legislature created the Defense Support Task Force in 2011 with a defined mission to:

- Make recommendations to preserve and protect military installations.
- Support the state’s position in research and development related to or arising out of military mission and contracting.
- Improve the state’s military-friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.
What next?