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BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
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Re: Cannon Air Force Base

Dear Sir or Madam:

I feel placing Cannon Air Force Base on the BRAC closure list is a major mistake for many different reasons. I know with your help we can get it off of the list!!

Cannon offers abundance of air space and no encroachment issues. This provides safer and more realistic training situations for pilots. The Melrose bombing range is seconds from the runway, which allows pilots to begin training immediately and they can train longer without having to return so often for fuel.

Once the New Mexico Training Range Initiative is implemented, we will be able to offer pilots the ability to fly supersonic during training missions. This is very important as it allows the Air Force to better train for real-life situations.

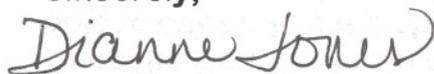
Cannon has the space and facilities to accommodate joint war-fighting, training, and readiness as was evidenced by the recent joint training effort between Cannon and the US Navy.

The ideal weather makes Cannon the perfect candidate to support future training missions for many military air craft.

The ample space around Cannon leaves great possibilities for expanding the base. The city has an abundance of room to expand for housing and businesses to accommodate the military personnel.

We, the community, have supported Cannon financially, morally, spiritually, and most of all consistently for the last 50 years. We want the opportunity to continue our great relationship!!!

Sincerely,



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