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RE: Cannon Air Force Base

I am writing in regard to the closure of Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, N.M.

This base, and the people involved with it, are an important part of the communities surrounding it. We are proud of our involvement with the Base and its activities.

Eastern New Mex. has an abundance of air space, is not heavily populated and seen the request for supersonic training should be approved. This will allow the types of planes to train at Cannon.

The Bombing Range is within minutes of Cannon AFB, allowing pilots to be on Bomb training immediately after take-off.

Since the bases at Roswell, N.M., Amarillo & Lubbock, TX have already been closed, the Retirees in this vicinity only have Cannon AFB. Albuquerque is 4 hrs away - a trip that is hard for older people to make in 1 day.

We would appreciate your re-evaluation of the decision to close Cannon AFB.

Sincerely, LaVerne Robbins