

Dear Brac Commission,

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Please reconsider the attributes of Cannon AFB in New Mexico and take it off the closure list. It is a base that can be used for another weapons system (F-16s are being transferred to ANG and AF reserve bases) that is more modern. Cannon has Airspace, good flying weather, no topography that interferes with emergency rescues and the cost of living is lower than some areas of the U.S. that American Servicemen and women are sent.

Cannon has room to expand, the community is supportive and the weather is not extreme - once you close a base, its never recovered real estate for military value - so many bases have encroachment problems - close to cities that are growing with populations that cost the military money when a crash, accident, or proposal to expand occurs

I enclosed clippings of newspaper articles that have facts in them to consider. Cannon has never been on the Top 10 bases for Air Force folks but it does offer a good environment for family when military members deploy - at least an airman could afford to buy his 1st house here without breaking the bank.

thank you for the job
you've taken on,