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Dear BRAC Commission, 24 May 05

Please reconsider and take Cannon AFB NM off the closure list. There are attributes about being in the middle of the flat area of the U.S. away from cities, big businesses, tall buildings, resorts, costly real estate, mountains and valleys, that should be considered. Give Cannon newer planes but the land can't be replaced once closed. We can expand to double our size because the community and base bought the land around it for that reason. We don't have swamps with disease breeding mosquitoes, blinding snow storms or humidity problems and salt air corrosion. We do have a new tower, fire dept, great runway and have award winning programs - It's working here - it ain't broke, please don't close it. Look at places with problems, complaints, expansion woes, limitations for growth and costs of suits because of complaints, crashes and pollution/environmental issues.

Thank you for the job you've undertaken,

Sincerely - a Clovis resident and newly retired USAF member

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