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in the Last Frontier**

Alaska Joint Armed Services Committee Briefing

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We Honor Our Fallen

Army Combat Deaths

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Overview

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Map of Alaska showing locations of USCGC and other facilities. Legend: Blue circle = Eareckson Air Station, Yellow circle = USCGC, Yellow star = USCGC. Locations marked: St. Paul Island RRS, King Salmon Airport, USCGAS Kodiak, USCGAS Sitka, MSD Ketchikan, MSD Unalaska, Cold Bay LRRS, Sector Juneau.

-  **Joint Base**
 **Air Force Base**
 **Army Base**
 **Coast Guard Station**
 **Radar/Radio Site**
 **Marine Safety Unit/Det**



11th Air Force in Alaska

3rd Wing

- Total Force Integration
- 3.1 software upgrade to F-22s and safety enhancements
- PACAF Safety Special Achievement Award
- Daedalian Weapon System Maintenance Trophy



673rd Air Base Wing

- First Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
- Fisher House Grand Opening and Traumatic Brain Injury unit
- Arctic Thunder 2012
- New Landfill Gas Power Plant is operational as of Sept 2012



354th Fighter Wing

- 18 AGRS MTT: Cope North, HIANG support, Ex Valiant Shield
- Three RED FLAG-Alaska exercises in 2012
- Ted Stevens Joint Mobility Complex

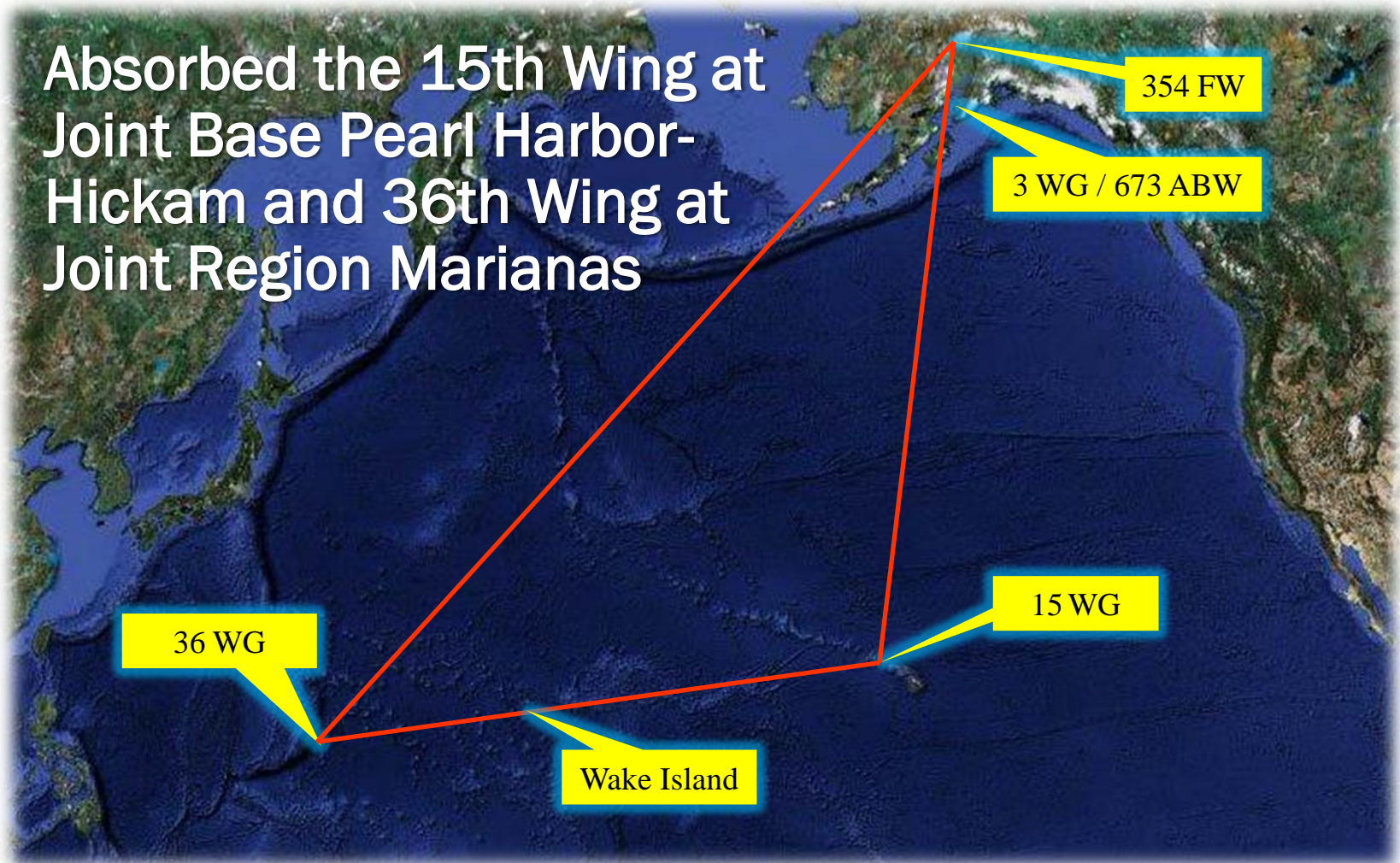




11th Air Force Restructuring

11th Air Force

Absorbed the 15th Wing at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and 36th Wing at Joint Region Marianas





11th Air Force Restructuring

537th Airlift Squadron at JBER

- Retiring four C-130Hs
- Closing active association



PACAF Band of the Pacific

- JBER band is deactivating Sep 2013





U.S. Army Alaska

1/25 Stryker Brigade

- Redeployed from OEF; conducting RESET operations
- Focusing on follow on deployments and other mission sets

4/25 IBCT (Airborne)

- Redeployed from OEF; conducting RESET operations
- Refocusing on core capabilities and Joint Forcible Entry Ops

2d Engineer Brigade

- Troops deployed around the world; continuous focus on deploying
- Completed major exercises in India and Korea

16 Combat Aviation Brigade

- Continuously supporting Global Aviation mission requirements
- Supported Unified Command mission for Kulluk salvage operations

Fort Wainwright

- Installation Management Command, Family and MWR, 2012 Exemplary Workforce Development Award
- Dedication of the Sgt. Joel Clarkson Training Support Center





U.S. Army Alaska

Focus on Asia-Pacific Region

- Training and exercise opportunities with partner nations
- Arctic expertise with the U.S. Army Northern Warfare Training Center
- Rapid deployment readiness





Deployments

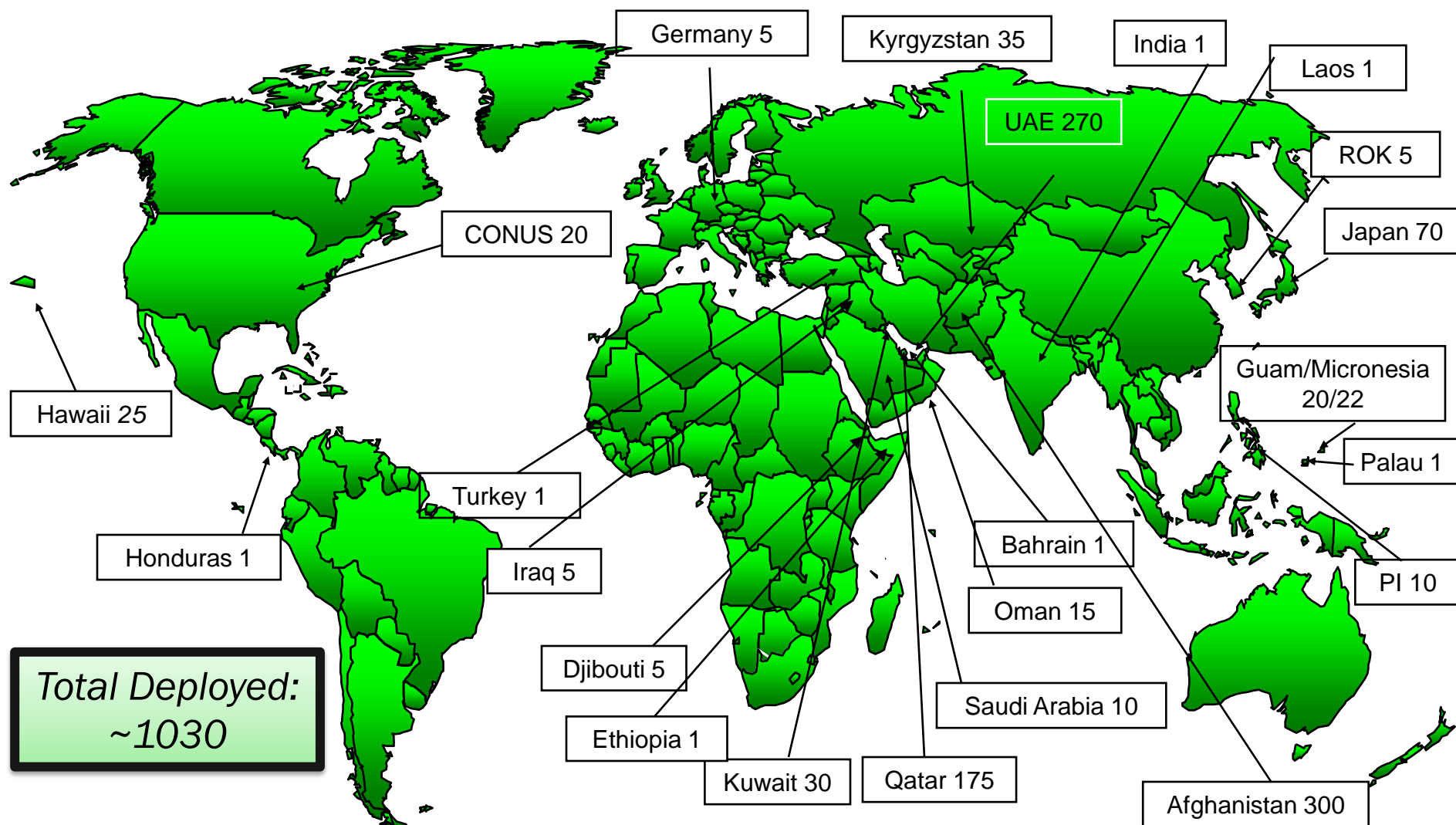
2012 Deployments

- 3 WG & 673 ABW deployed 883 personnel
 - 66 deployed locations
 - Over 40% deployed to the Middle East
- Eielson AFB deployed 312 personnel
 - Mostly individual deployers to USCENTCOM
- 1/25 Stryker Brigade
 - Deployed 4,400 soldiers in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM
- 4/25 IBCT (ABN)
 - Deployed 3,700 soldiers in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM





Alaska-Based Forces Currently Deployed





Exercises

2012 Exercises

- Three RED FLAG-Alaska Exercises
 - Canada, Australia, UK, Germany, Japan, Poland, ROK, Singapore, Thailand



- ARCTIC EDGE 2012
 - U.S. Northern Command sponsored exercise
 - ARDEN SENTRY: DSCA
 - ALASKA SHIELD: Support to DHS and EM
 - ARCTIC CARE: Support to Alaska National Guard
 - ARCTIC SHIELD: Oil spill exercise, partnering with USCG
- VIGILANT SHIELD 2013
 - Alaskan NORAD Region and Joint Task Force Alaska exercising Homeland Defense roles



2013 Exercises

- Two RED FLAG-Alaska Exercises
 - UK, Canada, Japan, Singapore, ROK, Australia, Thailand, Indonesia
- NORTHERN EDGE 2013
 - U.S. Pacific Command sponsored exercise
 - Joint USAF, USN, USMC, USA, USCG, Spec Ops, National Guard, Reserves





2014 Exercises

- Multiple linked Events in March-April
 - ALASKA SHIELD: *AK Dept of Homeland Security and Emergency Mgt*
 - VIGILANT GUARD: *AK National Guard and The National Guard Bureau*
 - ARCTIC EDGE: *Joint Task Force Alaska*
 - ARDENT SENTRY: *US Northern Command*
- Central theme is a major earthquake response, similar to the Great Alaska Earthquake of 1964, on it's 50th Anniversary
- Linking exercises will ensure we train a unified, all-of-government response





Joint Pacific-Alaska Range Complex

Premier Training Venue

- Integrated air, land, maritime, space and cyberspace
- International training opportunities
- Unencumbered and lack of encroachment





Other Events

Tribal and Military Leaders Meeting

- Quadrennial event held at JBER
- Approximately 30 tribal first chiefs and presidents attend
- Discussions included
 - Environmental remediation
 - Effects of climate change on national security and village life
 - Veteran tribal members' benefits and access



ASYMCA Salute

- Gen Jacoby, USNORTHCOM Commander, will be the guest speaker tomorrow evening



Arctic Engagement

U.S. Northern Command's task for JTF-Alaska

- USNORTHCOM Arctic priorities (synched with Canada:

Safety – Security – Defense – Cooperation

- Consider potential future military required capabilities and gaps

Four primary areas: Communications, Maritime Domain Awareness, Infrastructure, Presence



Alaska Arctic Bureau

- Initial stages of building an enduring partnership with UAF
- Capitalize on university's vast Arctic knowledge and expertise
- Building relationships with regional Federal agency representatives
 - » CG District 17, State of Alaska, boroughs, and tribes



Joint Task Force Alaska

Colony Glacier

- C-124 crash in 1952
- Joint total force recovery team
- UAF tracking system





Joint Task Force Alaska

Kulluk

- Two CH-47 Chinooks from Fort Wainwright supported recovery efforts





Alaskan NORAD Region

Two Missions

- Op NOBLE EAGLE
- Traditional NORAD ADIZ protection
- Bi-lateral coordination
- F-22s are upgrading ABOS and returning to “fully mission capable” status





Missile Defense Update

Fort Greely Missile Defense Complex

- Completed Missile Field 2 construction
- Integrated new power plant with missile fields
- Installed second GMD Comm Network
- Upgraded Exoatmospheric Kill Vehicles (EKVs)



Clear Air Force Station Early Warning Radar Site

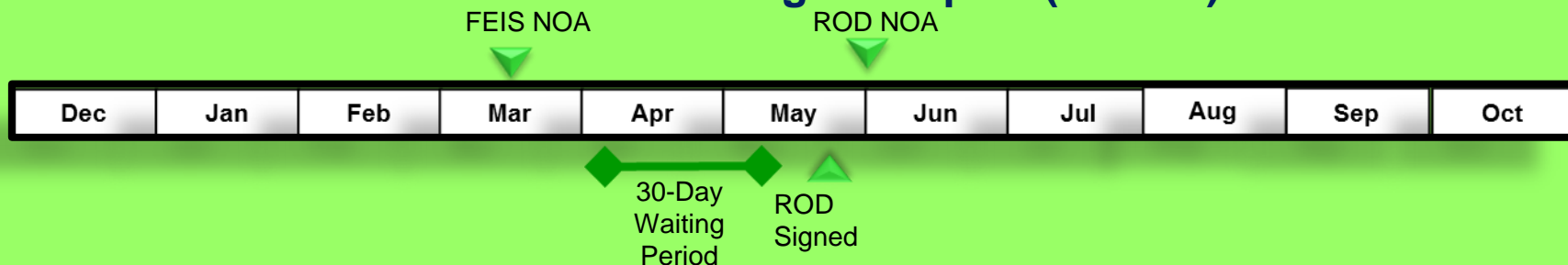


- New Emergency Power Plant (EPP)
- Pave PAWS 10-2 upgrade
- Upgraded Early Warning Radar (UEWR)
- High-altitude EMP (HEMP) project
- FY13 ECIP to tie Clear AS to GVEA grid

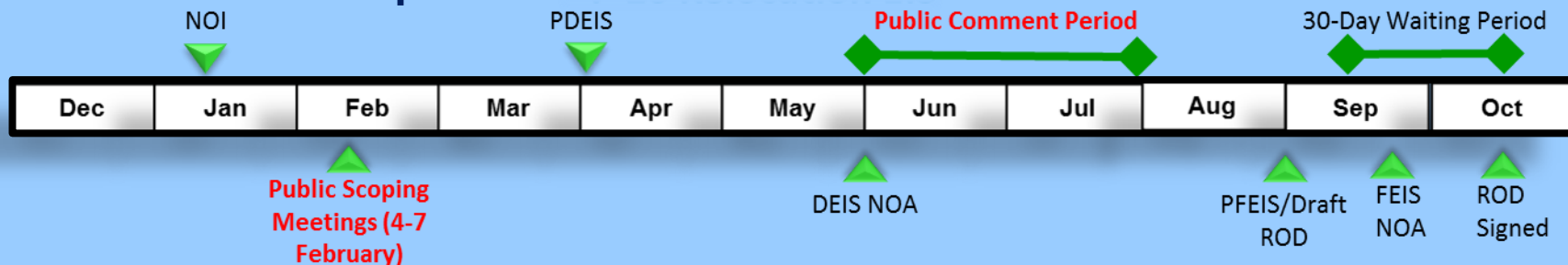


Environmental Impact Studies

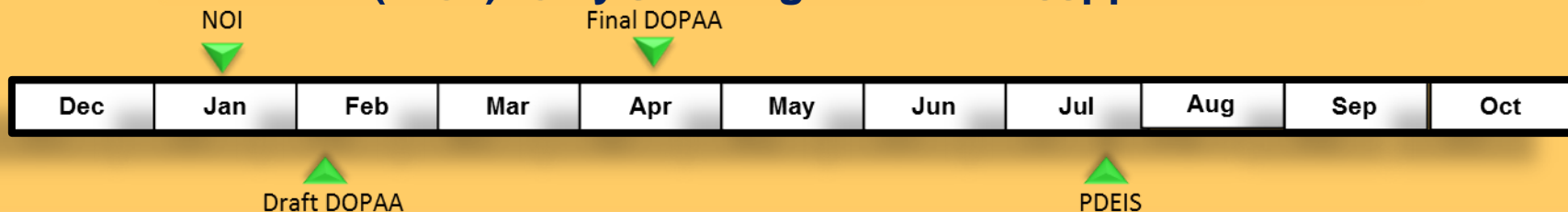
Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex (JPARC) EIS



Proposed Move of F-16s from EAFB to JBER



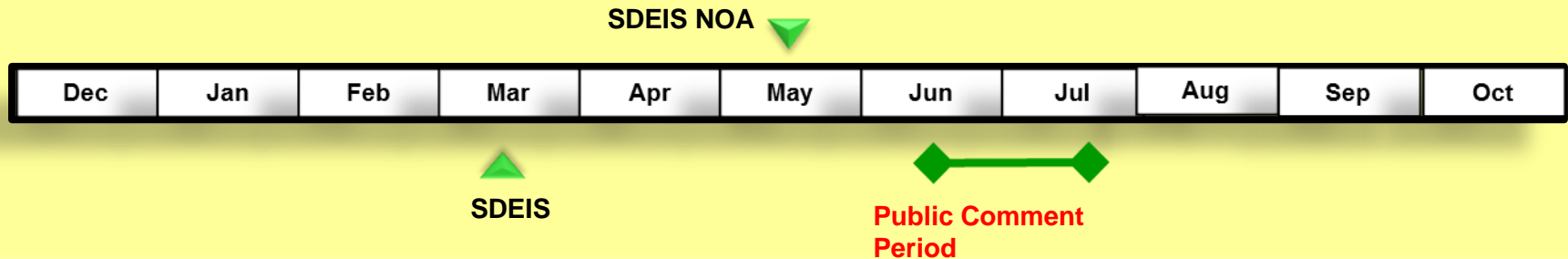
Gulf of Alaska (GOA) Navy Training Activities Supplemental EIS/OEIS





Environmental Impact Studies

Resumption of Year-Round Firing Opportunities Supplemental EIS (JBER)



Disposition of Hangars 2 and 3 (USAG-FWA)



Department of the Army's Programmatic Environmental Assessment

- Force Structure Realignments from FY 2013-2020
- 21 bases are being analyzed and considered, including JBER and FWA



Challenges

Energy Costs and Security

- ALCOM Executive Energy Steering Group
- Pooling knowledge between DoD, State, Federal, and industry
 - Goal: Lower energy costs



Resource Management

- People
- Infrastructure and budget





USS Anchorage

Scheduled to be commissioned at the
Port of Anchorage on May 4th, 2013





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