



# COMPREHENSIVE AIRSPACE INITIATIVE

## Purpose of and Need for the Proposed Action

The purpose of the Proposed Action is to provide a more realistic and regularly accessible airspace training environment to meet the need for aircrew training in CAS and CSAR, and configure new low-altitude MOAs that more appropriately align with the training missions at Moody AFB.

The Proposed Action is needed to provide access for training missions operating at low altitudes from Moody AFB and to optimize the Moody Airspace Complex to enable effective training to achieve real-world combat readiness and survivability. Specifically, the low-altitude MOAs are needed to:

- Provide reliable access to low-altitude SUA to support aircrew proficiency training to various mission objectives
- Reduce airspace congestion in the Moody 2 North and Moody 2 South MOAs

## Proposed Action

The Proposed Action for the Moody AFB Comprehensive Airspace Initiative is to configure and establish new low-altitude MOAs to enhance the airspace capacity within which A-10C, HH-60G, HC-130J, and A-29 aircrews can optimize their low-altitude mission readiness training to specific requirements.

There would be no changes in the numbers of sorties, aircraft operations, or type or quantity of defensive countermeasures used during training. This action would result in a change in the distribution of some existing training operations from the mid- to high-altitude airspaces into the low-altitude airspaces. No ordnance other than chaff and flares would be expended in the new low-altitude MOAs. The Proposed Action would modify the Banks Lake National Wildlife Refuge exclusion zone.

The Air Force has identified three alternatives to implement the Proposed Action.

