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# **NAVAL AIR STATION WHITING FIELD**

Providing for our nation’s future







Land Leveraging Presents  
“Win-Win” for Navy and Community

NAS Whiting Field successfully worked with Escambia County, Florida to execute a proposed initiative to swap Navy Outlying Landing Field (NOLF) Site 8, located in Pensacola, Florida for a suitable replacement NOLF, located in Santa Rosa County, Florida.

Action was executed via the 2015 NDAA. Effort was instrumental in establishing the current Title 10 authority (10 U.S.C. §2869) in land leveraging opportunities across the DoD.

Project resulted in a win-win transaction that benefited Navy and Escambia County:

- ✓ Navy acquired an encroachment free outlying field with improved operational capabilities.
- ✓ County gained a prime site for development and economic development efforts.

**Confined Area Landing Zone**



**Crash, Fire, & Rescue House**



**Aerial Overview**

**Navy Outlying Landing Field Site X**



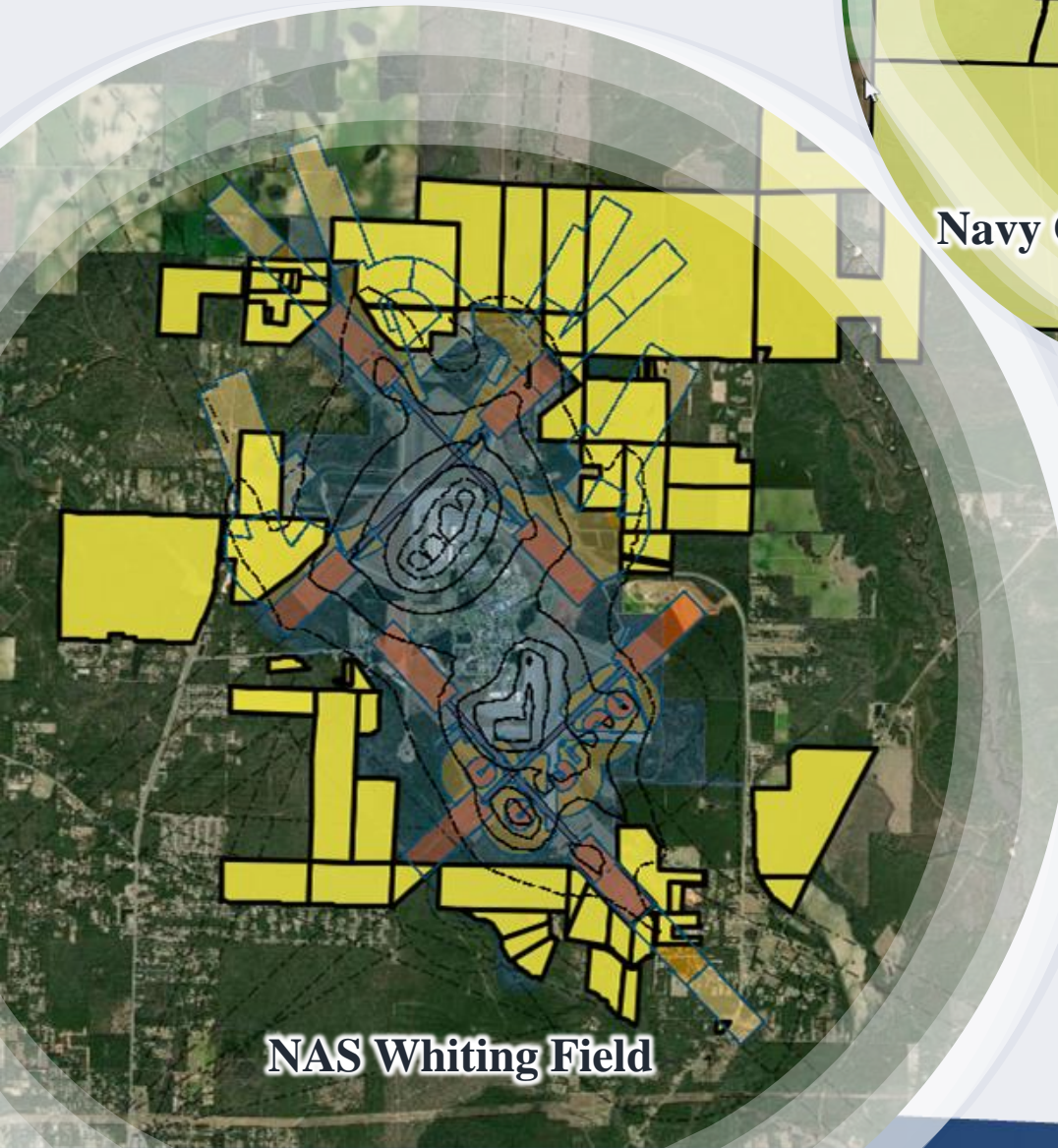
Readiness Environmental  
Protection Initiative (REPI)  
10 U.S.C. §2864a



**Navy Outlying Landing Field X**



**Navy Outlying Landing Field Pace**



**NAS Whiting Field**

- ✓ Protected nearly 20K acres
- ✓ Executed 70+ transactions
- ✓ Expended nearly \$60M in match funding
- ✓ Objectives achieved via multi-year agreements/partner initiatives:
  - Navy & State of Florida
  - Navy & Santa Rosa County
  - Navy & NGOs

# Community – Military Partnering “Whiting Aviation Park Project”

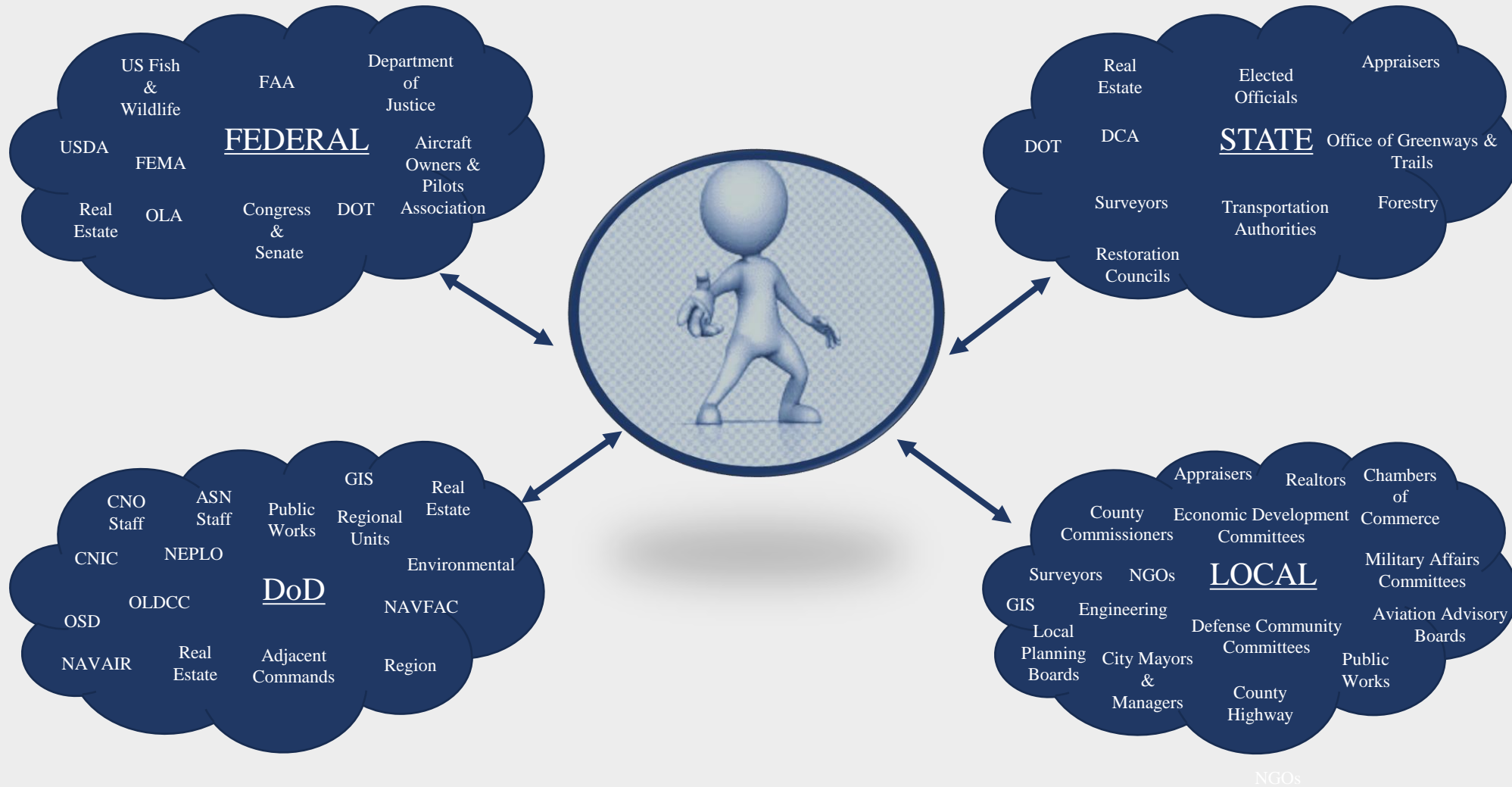


## History

- **2001 - Current**
  - NAS Whiting & County discussed aviation park option to avoid challenges in runway extension to a county-owned public use airport
  - Limited Access Use Agreement approved by ASN (2009)
- **Some Key Facts:**
  - Construction of a taxiway with a controlled access point to the 269-acre county owned park
- **Benefits to Navy**
  - No expansion of Public Airport
  - No incompatible development in critical Safety Areas
  - No cost to USN for any on airport facilities
  - “In-kind” – maintenance/upkeep of existing roads, trails and tertiary areas
- **Benefits to County**
  - Agreement allows use of NAS Whiting runways (limited to MRO activities)
  - Construction of a taxiway with a controlled access point to the 269-acre county owned park
  - Economic opportunity for aviation/industrial growth



# Wide-Reaching Network of Collaboration



# Infrastructure – Project Collaboration – Buffering

## *Examples of Grants used in State of Florida & DoD*



### ■ Florida Defense Grants – Enterprise Florida

- Defense Infrastructure Grant Program (DIG) – **\$500K – \$1M**
- Defense Reinvestment Grant Program (DRG) – **\$500K – \$1M**

### ■ Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation (OLDCC)

- DCIP – Defense Community Infrastructure Program – **\$100M**
- MISP – Military Installation Sustainability Program – **\$1M+**
- CNMP – Community Noise Mitigation Program – **\$75M**

### ■ Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants

- Florida Department of Economic Opportunity – **\$500K – \$1M**

### ■ FEMA

- BRIC – Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities – **\$2B**

### ■ Florida Fish & Wildlife

- Conservation Commission – Invasive Plant Management – **\$6M - \$9M**
- National Lands Day Grant – Clear Creek Trail – **\$1M**
- National Coastal Resilience Fund – **\$140M**

### ■ Readiness Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) coupled with several match programs:

- Forest Legacy Funds (USDA) – **\$150M**
- America the Beautiful – **\$119M**
- NOAA – National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration – **\$9M**
- GCPEP/Longleaf Restoration Grant – **\$1M**
- Florida Forever Program – **\$100M**
- Acres for America – **\$100M**
- REPI Resiliency Grant Program – **\$1M - \$3M**