

3.2 AIR QUALITY

3.2.1 INTRODUCTION

3.2.1.1 Overview

Morrow County and Naval Weapons Systems Training Facility (NWSTF) Boardman are located in the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191, which includes the following Oregon counties: Baker, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, and Wheeler. Therefore, the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 is considered the study area or region of influence for the air quality analysis. The following section provides the regulatory framework for air quality and contains general information and definitions of terms commonly used in this section.

3.2.1.2 Regulatory Framework

The United States (U.S.) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responsible for enforcing the Clean Air Act (CAA) of 1970 and its 1977 and 1990 amendments (42 United States Code §7401, *et seq.*). The purposes of the CAA are to classify air basins as to their attainment status under the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) (40 Code of Federal Regulations [C.F.R.] § 50), to develop schedules and strategies to meet the NAAQS, and to regulate emissions of criteria pollutants and air toxics to protect the public health and welfare.

Criteria pollutants are carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), ozone (O₃), suspended particulate matter less than or equal to 10 micrometer (µm) in diameter (PM₁₀), fine particulate matter less than or equal to 2.5 µm in diameter (PM_{2.5}), and lead (Pb). Air basins that exceed a NAAQS are designated as “nonattainment” for that pollutant, while air basins that are in compliance with a NAAQS are in “attainment” for that pollutant. Nonattainment areas are required by the U.S. EPA to develop and execute a State Implementation Plan that describes actions that will lead the state into compliance with all federal air quality standards. Areas that have achieved attainment may be designated as “maintenance areas,” which are subject to maintenance plans showing how the area will continue to meet federal air quality standards. Non-criteria air pollutants that can affect human health are categorized as hazardous air pollutants under Section 112 of the CAA. The U.S. EPA has identified 188 hazardous air pollutants, such as benzene, perchloroethylene, and methylene chloride. Hazardous air pollutants are examined individually where there is a source of these pollutants.

Section 176 (c)(1) of the CAA, commonly known as the General Conformity Rule (conformity), requires federal agencies to ensure that their actions conform to applicable implementation plans for achieving and maintaining NAAQS for criteria pollutants. To ensure conformity, a federal action must not contribute to new violations of ambient air quality standards, increase the frequency or severity of existing violations, or delay timely state or regional attainment of standards. A conformity review must be completed for every federal action that generates air emissions in nonattainment or maintenance (former non-attainment) areas. The General Conformity Rule does not apply to the Proposed Action because the study area is not within a nonattainment or maintenance area.

Air pollutants are classified as either primary or secondary pollutants. Primary air pollutants are those emitted directly into the atmosphere, such as CO, SO₂, Pb, and particulate matter. Secondary air pollutants, such as O₃, are those formed through atmospheric chemical reactions. Such reactions usually involve primary air pollutants and normal constituents of the atmosphere. Sunlight and meteorological conditions, such as temperature and humidity, also can affect atmospheric chemistry. Air pollutants such as organic gases and particulate matter are a combination of primary and secondary pollutants. PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} are generated as primary pollutants by various mechanical processes (e.g., abrasion,

erosion, mixing, or atomization) or combustion processes. PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} also can be formed as secondary pollutants, however, through chemical reactions or by the condensation of gaseous pollutants into fine aerosols.

Compounds that react to form secondary air pollutants, such as O₃, are called pollutant precursors. Precursors for O₃ fall into two broad groups of chemicals: nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and organic compounds. NO_x consists of nitric oxide and NO₂. Organic compound precursors of O₃ are routinely described by a number of different terms, including volatile organic compounds, reactive organic compounds, and reactive organic gases. The latter term, reactive organic gases, is used in this document to refer to organic compound precursors of O₃.

Air pollutant emissions refer to the amount (weight or volume) of one or more specific compounds emitted into the atmosphere by a source. Most air pollutant emissions are expressed as a rate (e.g., pounds [lb.] per hour, pounds per day, or tons per year). Typical measurement units for emission rates on a source activity basis include pounds per thousand gallons of fuel burned, pounds per ton of material processed, and grams per vehicle-mile of travel.

Ambient air quality is determined by the atmospheric concentrations of specific air pollutants at a particular time and location. The ambient air pollutant concentrations measured at a particular location are determined by the pollutant emissions rate, local meteorology, and atmospheric chemistry. Wind speed and direction and precipitation patterns affect the dispersal, dilution, and removal of air pollutant emissions. Ambient air quality data are generally reported as a mass per unit volume (e.g., micrograms per cubic meter of air) or as a volume fraction (e.g., parts per million by volume).

3.2.1.3 Determination of Significance

The impact analysis for air quality considered possible changes in ambient air quality that could result from the Proposed Action. Such changes could arise from air pollutant emissions associated with increases in military readiness activities (e.g., combustion emissions from aircraft, vehicles, and equipment). Factors used in determining if impacts on air quality would be significant include the increase in air pollutant emissions from the Proposed Action relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline emissions.

3.2.2 AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT

3.2.2.1 Regional and Local Air Quality

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality monitors criteria air pollutants through a network of air quality monitoring sites throughout the state. Based upon data collected from these monitoring sites, the U.S. EPA prepares annual summaries of local air quality that identify those areas that exceed NAAQS for one or more air pollutants. Geographic areas that have not consistently met the NAAQS are designated as nonattainment areas. Maintenance areas are geographic areas that had a history of nonattainment, but are now consistently meeting NAAQS and have a maintenance plan (see Section 3.2.1.2, Regulatory Framework, for additional details).

The Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 generally has good air quality, as indicated by the lack of nonattainment areas in the region. Morrow County and NWSTF Boardman are not located in a nonattainment or maintenance area. Currently, only three areas in Oregon are designated as nonattainment areas, all for particulate matter: Klamath Falls, Oakridge, and Eugene/Springfield. The closest maintenance area to NWSTF Boardman is La Grande, approximately 100 miles (mi.) (161

kilometers [km]) east/southeast of NWSTF Boardman (Oregon Department of Environmental Quality 2011a).

The Air Quality Index is a health index that normalizes the various air pollutants in order to report one health level. In 2010, the Air Quality Index for Hermiston, which is located about 25 mi. (40.2 km) east of NWSTF Boardman, was in the “good” category on 93 percent of the days for which a value was calculated and in the “moderate” category on the remaining days (Oregon Department of Environmental Quality 2011b). The most recent air emissions inventory data that are available for Morrow County and the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Regional 191 are from 2002 (Table 3.2-1).

Table 3.2-1: Annual Baseline (2002) Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions for Morrow County, Oregon and Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191

Geographic Area	Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions in Tons/Year ¹					
	CO	NO _x	HC ¹	SO _x	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}
Morrow County	13,359	10,695	3,004	12,379	6,633	1,418
Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191	364,171	36,845	77,011	16,037	67,991	25,559

¹ Presented as volatile organic compounds in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2008

Notes: CO = carbon monoxide, NO_x = nitrogen oxides, HC = total hydrocarbons, SO_x = sulfur oxides, PM₁₀ = suspended particulate matter less than or equal to 10 micrometers in diameter, PM_{2.5} = fine particulate matter less than or equal to 2.5 micrometers in diameter.

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2008

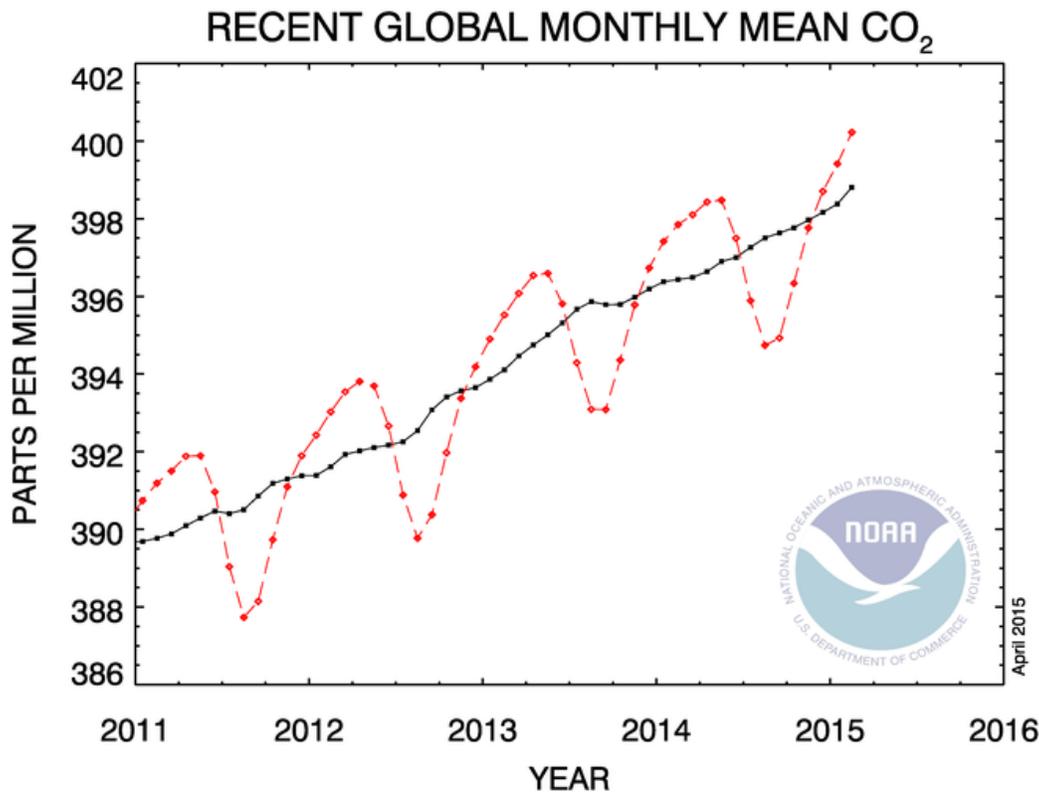
3.2.2.2 Existing Air Pollutant Emissions at NWSTF Boardman

Air pollutant emissions at NWSTF Boardman primarily originate from mobile sources, with the main source being fixed-wing aircraft overflights in the Special Use Airspace. Other sources include helicopters, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, and military ground vehicles and equipment.

The only stationary air pollution source at NWSTF Boardman is an emergency generator, which is located in the Administration Area (U.S. Department of the Navy 2011). No air pollution sources are located on the range itself. Emergency generators are excluded from the minor sources required to obtain permits under Oregon Department of Environmental Quality regulations (Oregon Administrative Rules 340-216-0020).

3.2.2.3 Climate Change

Climate change refers to any significant change in the measures of climate lasting for an extended period of time. In other words, climate change includes major changes in temperature, precipitation, or wind patterns, among other effects, that occur over several decades or longer. Global warming refers to the recent and ongoing rise in global average temperature near Earth's surface. Global warming causes climate patterns to change. However, global warming itself represents only one aspect of climate change (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2013). Global surface temperatures have increased by an average of about 1.3 degrees Fahrenheit (°F) during the last century (Solomon et al. 2007). Global warming and climate change have been attributed to many factors, including increasing atmospheric concentrations of CO₂, NO₂, methane, and other greenhouse gases. Figure 3.2-1 illustrates the global increase in CO₂ concentration over the past 5 years (Department of Commerce 2015). Most of the observed temperature increase since the mid-20th century is correlated with increasing amounts of greenhouse gases emitted by human activities, such as combustion of fossil fuels and deforestation (Solomon et al. 2007).



Notes: The dashed red line with diamond symbols represents the monthly mean values, centered on the middle of each month. The black line with the square symbols represents the same, after correction for the average seasonal cycle.
 Source: Department of Commerce 2015

Figure 3.2-1: Recent CO₂ Global Trend

The greenhouse gas effect is the process by which certain gases in the atmosphere allow long-wave radiation in, but also keep short-wave radiation from escaping, which then warms the planet's lower atmosphere and surface. Greenhouse gases are transparent to long-wave radiation from the sun; this radiation passes through the atmosphere without being absorbed or reflected, and warms the earth's surface. Greenhouse gases trap short-wave (infrared) radiation emitted by the earth's surface, however, preventing it from dissipating into space and causing it to re-radiate down to the surface of the earth. The existence of the greenhouse effect is not disputed. The issues and interrelationship between these issues that are not clearly defined include how the strength of the greenhouse effect changes with different concentrations of greenhouse gases, the relationships among natural sources and sinks of greenhouse gases, human sources of greenhouse gases, and atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases. Climate processes are understood at a general level and more research is needed before impacts may be clearly defined.

CO₂ is the major greenhouse gas emitted by human activities, primarily from the combustion of fossil fuels such as coal, oil, and natural gas. Atmospheric concentrations of CO₂ have increased by 36 percent since the mid-1700s (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2010). This level is much higher than at any time during the last 650,000 years (Canadell et al. 2007). Less direct geological evidence indicates that

CO₂ values this high were last seen about 20 million years ago (Pearson and Palmer 2000). The burning of fossil fuel has produced about 75 percent of the increase in CO₂ from human activity over the past 20 years. The potential effects of proposed greenhouse gas emissions are by nature global and may result in cumulative impacts, as individual sources of greenhouse gas emissions are not large enough to have any noticeable effect on climate change. Therefore, the impact of proposed greenhouse gas emissions to climate change is discussed in the context of cumulative impacts in Chapter 4 (Cumulative Impacts).

3.2.2.4 Current Requirements and Management Practices

Equipment used by military units in the study area, including aircraft and vehicles, are properly maintained in accordance with applicable Navy and Oregon National Guard (ORNG) requirements. Operating equipment meets federal and state emission standards, where applicable.

3.2.3 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES

3.2.3.1 No Action Alternative

3.2.3.1.1 Air Pollutant Emissions Associated with Construction Activities

The No Action Alternative does not include construction activities.

3.2.3.1.2 Air Pollutant Emissions Associated with Training and Testing Activities

Criteria Pollutants

Table 3.2-2 lists criteria air pollutant and precursor emissions in the NWSTF Boardman Study Area from the No Action Alternative. Emissions are totaled for each major source component (i.e., aircraft, munitions, and military vehicles and equipment). The air pollutants emitted in the greatest quantity are NO_x, PM₁₀, CO, and PM_{2.5}, with fixed-wing aircraft contributing the largest amounts. All emissions calculations are provided in Appendix D (Air Quality Summaries).

Table 3.2-2: Annual Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions for Training and Testing under the No Action Alternative

Emissions Source	Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions in Tons/Year						
	CO	NO _x	HC	SO _x	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	Pb
Aircraft	15	31	2	7	29	15	- ¹
Munitions	0.05	0.01	- ¹	- ¹	0.02	0.01	0.0001
Military Vehicles and Equipment	1	2	<0.01	- ¹	<0.01	<0.01	- ¹
Total All Sources =	16	33	2	7	29	15	0.0001
No Action Alternative emissions as a percentage of Morrow County baseline (2002)	0.12%	0.31%	0.08%	0.05%	0.43%	1.06%	-
No Action Alternative emissions as a percentage of Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline	0.004%	0.089%	0.003%	0.042%	0.042%	0.059%	-

¹ Not applicable because the source produces insignificant amount of this pollutant.

Notes: CO = carbon monoxide, NO_x = nitrogen oxides, HC = total hydrocarbons, SO_x sulfur oxides, PM₁₀ = suspended particulate matter less than or equal to 10 micrometers in diameter, PM_{2.5} = fine particulate matter less than or equal to 2.5 micrometers in diameter, Pb = lead

Under the No Action Alternative, training and testing activities and associated criteria air pollutant emissions would not change. Air quality in the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 would not change as a result of the No Action Alternative and would still be generally characterized as

good. Criteria air pollutant emissions associated with training and testing activities would have a negligible effect on air quality under the No Action Alternative because changes to air quality would not be detectable and would be below or within historical or desired air quality conditions. Criteria air pollutant emissions associated with the No Action Alternative would have no significant impact on air quality.

Hazardous Air Pollutants

The U.S. EPA has listed 188 hazardous air pollutants regulated under Title III (Hazardous Air Pollutants), Section 112(g) of the CAA. Hazardous air pollutants are emitted by processes associated with the No Action Alternative, including fuel combustion. Trace amounts of hazardous air pollutants are emitted by combustion sources participating in training and testing activities, including aircraft, munitions, and military vehicles and equipment. The amounts of hazardous air pollutants emitted are small compared to the emissions of criteria pollutants; emission factors for most hazardous air pollutants from combustion sources are roughly three or more orders of magnitude lower than emission factors for criteria pollutants (California Air Resources Board 2007). Emissions of hazardous air pollutants from munitions use are smaller still, with emission factors ranging from roughly 10^{-5} to 10^{-15} lb. of individual hazardous air pollutants per item for cartridges to 10^{-4} to 10^{-13} lb. of individual hazardous air pollutants per item for mines and smoke canisters (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2009). As an example, 10^{-5} is equivalent to 0.0001 and 10^{-15} is equivalent to 0.000000000000001. Hazardous air pollutant emissions estimates were not calculated because of the small amounts that would be emitted. As discussed in Soils (Section 3.1), surface soils containing lead are likely transported on the range to some degree. However, an off-range release of lead by wind that poses unacceptable risk to human health or the environment is unlikely.

Under the No Action Alternative, training and testing activities and associated hazardous air pollutant emissions would not change. Hazardous air pollutants emissions would be intermittent and distributed over the entire NWSTF Boardman Study Area. Their concentrations would be further reduced by atmospheric mixing and other dispersion processes. After initial mixing, it is unlikely that the No Action Alternative would result in detectable concentrations of hazardous air pollutants. The effects of hazardous air pollutant emissions under the No Action Alternative would be negligible and there would be no significant impacts on air quality.

Fugitive Dust

Ground-based training activities would be very limited under the No Action Alternative and generation of fugitive dust would be negligible. Fugitive dust from training activities would have no significant impact on air quality under the No Action Alternative.

3.2.3.2 Alternative 1

3.2.3.2.1 Air Pollutant Emissions Associated with Construction Activities

Construction of the proposed range enhancements under Alternative 1 would generate fugitive dust from activities such as grading. Operation of construction equipment would also result in combustion emissions such as CO, NO_x, Volatile Organic Compounds, and PM₁₀. These emissions would make a minimal contribution to overall air pollutant loadings in the region and would not be expected to affect the status of the air quality in the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 for the following reasons:

- The emissions would be temporary because construction activities would end when the range enhancements are completed.
- The emissions would be intermittent because construction activities would occur only during normal working hours and the various construction projects would be implemented over a period of several years.
- Periodic watering/wetting of construction sites would be employed as necessary to minimize generation and downwind migration of fugitive dust, especially on dry, windy days and in disturbed areas where construction equipment is being used.

Based on the minimal contribution to overall air pollutant loadings in the region, estimates of air pollutant emissions from construction activities were not calculated. Air pollutant emissions associated with construction activities under Alternative 1 would be short-term, intermittent, and localized and would not be expected to affect the status of the air quality in the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191. Construction activities under Alternative 1 would have no significant impact on air quality.

3.2.3.2.2 Air Pollutant Emissions Associated with Training and Testing Activities

Criteria Pollutants

Table 3.2-3 lists criteria air pollutant and precursor emissions in the NWSTF Boardman Study Area from Alternative 1. Emissions are totaled for each major source component (i.e., aircraft, munitions, and military vehicles and equipment). The air pollutants emitted in the greatest quantity are NO_x, PM₁₀, CO, and PM_{2.5}. Vehicles and equipment would contribute the largest amounts of NO_x and CO. Fixed-wing aircraft would contribute the largest amounts of PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}. All emissions calculations are provided in Appendix D (Air Quality Summaries).

All criteria and precursor pollutant emissions would increase under Alternative 1 compared to the No Action Alternative. The increases would be attributable to the increased fixed-wing aircraft use (from 847 sorties to 1,627 sorties per year) and the increased ground vehicle use associated with training activities on the new ranges. The largest increase is predicted for NO_x, which is an O₃ precursor and would increase by 657 tons per year. Given the attainment status of Air Quality Control Region 191 and the small increase in emissions relative to the Air Quality Control Region 191's baseline, there would be no significant impact on air quality as a result of the implementation of Alternative 1.

Table 3.2-3: Annual Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions for Training and Testing under Alternative 1 Compared to the No Action Alternative

Emissions Source	Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions in Tons/Year						
	CO	NO _x	HC	SO _x	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	Pb
Alternative 1							
Aircraft	9	148	1	21	64	32	- ¹
Munitions	2.6	0.44	- ¹	- ¹	1.48	0.74	0.01
Military vehicles and equipment	61	542	14	- ¹	11	5.5	- ¹
Alternative 1 Total =	73	690	15	21	76	38	0.01
No Action Alternative							
Aircraft	15	31	2	7	29	15	- ¹
Munitions	0.05	0.01	- ¹	- ¹	0.02	0.01	0.0001
Military vehicles and equipment	1	2	<0.01	- ¹	<0.01	<0.01	- ¹
No Action Alternative Total =	16	33	2	7	29	15	0.0001
Summary and Comparison							
Change in emissions from No Action Alternative	57	657	13	14	48	23	0.01
Alternative 1 emissions as a percentage of Morrow County baseline (2002)	0.54%	6.46%	0.50%	0.17%	1.15%	2.68%	-
Alternative 1 emissions as a percentage of Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline	0.020%	1.874%	0.019%	0.131%	0.112%	0.149%	-

¹ Not applicable because the source produces insignificant amounts of this pollutant.

Notes: CO = carbon monoxide, NO_x = nitrogen oxides, HC = total hydrocarbons, SO_x = sulfur oxides, PM₁₀ = suspended particulate matter less than or equal to 10 micrometers in diameter, PM_{2.5} = fine particulate matter less than or equal to 2.5 micrometers in diameter, Pb = lead

Hazardous Air Pollutants

As discussed for the No Action Alternative, hazardous air pollutants are emitted by processes associated with Alternative 1, including fuel combustion. Trace amounts of hazardous air pollutants are emitted by combustion sources participating in training and testing activities, including aircraft, munitions, and military vehicles and equipment. Hazardous pollutant emissions would increase under Alternative 1 and the increases would be roughly proportional to the increases observed for the criteria air pollutants emitted (Table 3.2-3). As discussed in Soils (Section 3.1), surface soils containing lead would likely be transported on the range to some degree under Alternative 1. However, an off-range release of lead by wind that poses unacceptable risk to human health or the environment is unlikely.

Hazardous air pollutants emissions would continue to be intermittent and distributed over the entire NWSTF Boardman Study Area. Their concentrations would be further reduced by atmospheric mixing and other dispersion processes. After initial mixing, it is possible that hazardous pollutants would be measurable, but they would be in very low concentrations and would not affect the air quality in the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191. The effects of hazardous air pollutant emissions from training and testing activities under Alternative 1 would be long-term and localized. There would be no significant impact on air quality.

Fugitive Dust

The potential for fugitive dust to be generated would increase substantially under Alternative 1 because additional ground-based activities would take place using wheeled and tracked vehicles (Abrams tank

and Bradley fighting vehicle). While off-road maneuver training is not proposed, operation of military vehicles on gravel roads within the Digital Multipurpose Training Range (DMPTR) and Convoy Live Fire Range (CLFR) would generate dust during dry conditions. Generation of dust would be minimized by placing and maintaining crushed rock or gravel on the road surfaces. In addition, conditions would be evaluated prior to starting a training event and water or another dust palliative product would be used to minimize dust, if warranted. Implementing this management practice (MP) would ensure that fugitive dust does not result in significant impacts on air quality.

3.2.3.3 Alternative 2

3.2.3.3.1 Air Pollutant Emissions Associated with Construction Activities

Under Alternative 2, the DMPTR would not be constructed, but a second CLFR (western CLFR) would be established and the Joint-Use Range Operations and Control Center would be built as a standalone building. Therefore, overall emissions associated with construction would be lower compared to Alternative 1. Similar to Alternative 1, air pollutant emissions associated with construction activities under Alternative 2 would be short-term, intermittent, and localized and would not be expected to affect the status of the air quality in the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191. Construction activities under Alternative 2 would have no significant impact on air quality.

3.2.3.3.2 Air Pollutant Emissions Associated with Training and Testing Activities

Criteria Pollutants

Table 3.2-4 lists criteria air pollutant and precursor emissions in the NWSTF Boardman Study Area from Alternative 2. Emissions are totaled for each major source component (i.e., aircraft, munitions, and military vehicles and equipment). The air pollutants emitted in the greatest quantity are NO_x, PM₁₀, CO, and PM_{2.5}. Vehicles and equipment would contribute the largest amount of CO. Fixed-wing aircraft would contribute the largest amounts of NO_x, PM₁₀, and PM_{2.5}. All emissions calculations are provided in Appendix D (Air Quality Summaries).

All criteria and precursor pollutant emissions would increase under Alternative 2 compared to the No Action Alternative. The increases would be attributable to the increased fixed-wing aircraft use (from 847 sorties to 1,627 sorties per year) and the increased ground vehicle use associated with training activities on the new ranges. The largest increase is predicted for NO_x, which is an O₃ precursor and would increase by 236 tons per year. Given the attainment status of Air Quality Control Region 191 and the small increase in emissions relative to the Air Quality Control Region 191's baseline, there would be no significant impact on air quality as a result of the implementation of Alternative 2.

Hazardous Air Pollutants

As discussed for criteria pollutants, the emissions of hazardous air pollutants under Alternative 2 would increase compared to the No Action Alternative, but would be lower than Alternative 1 because the DMPTR would not be constructed and operated. Hazardous air pollutant emissions would continue to be intermittent and distributed over the entire NWSTF Boardman Study Area. Their concentrations would be further reduced by atmospheric mixing and other dispersion processes. After initial mixing, it is possible that hazardous pollutants would be measurable, but they would be in very low concentrations and would not affect the air quality in the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191. The effects of hazardous air pollutant emissions from training and testing activities under Alternative 2 would be long-term and localized. There would be no significant impact on air quality.

Table 3.2-4: Annual Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions for Training and Testing under Alternative 2 Compared to the No Action Alternative

Emissions Source	Criteria and Precursor Air Pollutant Emissions in Tons/Year						
	CO	NO _x	HC	SO _x	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	Pb
Alternative 2							
Aircraft	9	148	1	21	64	32	- ¹
Munitions	0.82	0.09	- ¹	- ¹	0.28	0.14	0.001
Military vehicles and equipment	47	121	11	- ¹	4.6	2.3	- ¹
Alternative 2 Total =	57	269	12	21	69	34	0.001
No Action Alternative							
Aircraft	15	31	2	7	29	15	- ¹
Munitions	0.05	0.01	- ¹	- ¹	0.02	0.01	0.0001
Military vehicles and equipment	1	2	<0.01	- ¹	<0.01	<0.01	- ¹
No Action Alternative Total =	16	33	2	7	29	15	0.0001
Summary and Comparison							
Change in emissions from No Action Alternative	41	236	10	14	40	19	0.001
Alternative 2 emissions as a percentage of Morrow County baseline (2002)	0.43%	2.52%	0.40%	0.17%	1.04%	2.40%	-
Alternative 2 emissions as a percentage of Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline	0.016%	0.730%	0.016%	0.131%	0.101%	0.135%	-

¹ Not applicable because the source produces insignificant amounts of this pollutant.

Notes: CO = carbon monoxide, NO_x = nitrogen oxides, HC = total hydrocarbons, SO_x = sulfur oxides, PM₁₀ = suspended particulate matter less than or equal to 10 micrometers in diameter, PM_{2.5} = fine particulate matter less than or equal to 2.5 micrometers in diameter, Pb = lead

Fugitive Dust

Under Alternative 2, fugitive dust would increase compared to the No Action Alternative, but would be lower than Alternative 1 because the DMPTR would not be constructed and operated. Training on the proposed western CLFR would be a new source of dust under Alternative 2. About 50 percent of the CLFR training events conducted on the eastern CLFR under Alternative 1 would be conducted on the western CLFR under Alternative 2; however, the total number of CLFR training events would be the same as Alternative 1 and the amount of dust generated would be approximately the same. Generation of dust would be minimized by placing and maintaining crushed rock or gravel on the road surfaces. In addition, conditions would be evaluated prior to starting a training event and water or another dust palliative product would be used to minimize dust, if warranted. Implementing this MP would ensure that fugitive dust does not result in significant impacts on air quality.

3.2.3.4 Proposed Management Practices, Monitoring, and Mitigation Measures

3.2.3.4.1 Proposed Management Practices

The Navy and the ORNG propose the following MPs to avoid and minimize impacts to air quality under Alternatives 1 and 2:

- Water or another dust palliative product would be employed as necessary to minimize generation and downwind migration of fugitive dust, especially on dry, windy days and in disturbed areas where construction equipment is being used.

- Generation of dust would be minimized by placing and maintaining crushed rock or gravel on the road surfaces that are used for training. In addition, conditions would be evaluated prior to starting a training event and water or another dust palliative product would be used to minimize dust, if warranted.

3.2.3.4.2 Proposed Monitoring

No specific monitoring needs were identified for air quality.

3.2.3.4.3 Proposed Mitigation Measures

No mitigation measures are warranted for air quality based on the analysis presented in Section 3.2.3 (Environmental Consequences) and implementation of proposed MPs.

3.2.3.5 Summary of Effects and Conclusions

Table 3.2-5 lists each stressor analyzed for potential impacts to air quality at NWSTF Boardman. None of the alternatives would result in significant impacts on air quality.

Table 3.2-5: Summary of Impacts on Air Quality

Stressor	Summary of Effects and National Environmental Policy Act Impact Determination
No Action Alternative	
Air Pollutant Emissions from Construction Activities	
Criteria Air Pollutant Emissions	Not applicable. No construction is proposed.
Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions	Not applicable. No construction is proposed.
Fugitive Dust Emissions	Not applicable. No construction is proposed.
Air Pollutant Emissions from Training and Testing Activities	
Criteria Air Pollutant Emissions	Negligible. No change in emissions relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline.
Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions	Negligible. No change in emissions relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline.
Fugitive Dust Emissions	Negligible. No change in emissions relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline.
Impact Conclusion	The No Action Alternative would not result in significant impacts on air quality.

Table 3.2-5: Summary of Impacts on Air Quality (continued)

Stressor	Summary of Effects and National Environmental Policy Act Impact Determination
Alternative 1	
Air Pollutant Emissions from Construction Activities	
Criteria Air Pollutant Emissions	Short-term, minor, and localized effects from construction equipment combustion emissions.
Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions	Short-term, minor, and localized effects from construction equipment combustion emissions.
Fugitive Dust Emissions	Short-term, minor, and localized effects from dust during ground disturbance. Management practices would minimize dust.
Air Pollutant Emissions from Training and Testing Activities	
Criteria Air Pollutant Emissions	Long-term and localized effects. Small increase in emissions relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline.
Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions	Long-term and localized effects. Small increase in emissions relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline.
Fugitive Dust Emissions	Long-term, minor, and localized effects from dust during ground-based training. Management practices would minimize dust.
Impact Conclusion	Alternative 1 would not result in significant impacts on air quality.
Alternative 2	
Air Pollutant Emissions from Construction Activities	
Criteria Air Pollutant Emissions	Short-term, minor, and localized effects from construction equipment combustion emissions. Emissions would be less than Alternative 1.
Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions	Short-term, minor, and localized effects from construction equipment combustion emissions. Emissions would be less than Alternative 1.
Fugitive Dust Emissions	Short-term, minor, and localized effects from dust during ground disturbance. Management practices would minimize dust. Emissions would be less than Alternative 1.
Air Pollutant Emissions from Training and Testing Activities	
Criteria Air Pollutant Emissions	Long-term and localized effects. Small increase in emissions relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline. Emissions would be less than Alternative 1.
Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions	Long-term and localized effects. Small increase in emissions relative to the Eastern Oregon Intrastate Air Quality Control Region 191 baseline. Emissions would be less than Alternative 1.
Fugitive Dust Emissions	Long-term, minor, and localized effects from dust during ground-based training. Management practices would minimize dust. Emissions would be less than Alternative 1.
Impact Conclusion	Alternative 2 would not result in significant impacts on air quality.