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SECNAV INSTRUCTION 3770.2A

From: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: JOINT MILITARY AND CIVIL USE OF NAVY AND MARINE CORPS
AVIATION INSTALLATIONS

Ref: (a) 40 U.S.C. 1507 (a) Sec. 1107, Federal Aviation Act of
1958
(b) 49 U.S.C. 1712 (e) Sec. 12, Federal Airport and
Airway Development Act of 1970

1. Purpose. To establish policy and procedures for the joint military and civil use of the Navy and Marine Corps aviation installations.

2. Cancellation. SECNAVINST 3770.2.

3. Scope and Applicability. References (a) and (b) provide, in part, that "Air navigation facilities owned or operated by the United States may be made available for public use under such conditions and to such extent as the head of the department or other agency having jurisdiction thereof deems advisable and may by regulation prescribe" and "The Department of Defense shall make military airports and airport facilities available for civil use to the extent feasible."

4. Action. Controlled joint use of the Navy and Marine Corps aviation installations is permitted when requested by an authorized agency if it is determined that:

- a. such an arrangement will be mutually beneficial,
- b. the security of military operations, facilities, or equipment will not be compromised,
- c. military flight operations will not be substantially impaired,

d. air safety will not be degraded,

e. there is no other reasonable alternative (such as an existing or planned civil airport in the area), and

f. the proposed joint user is an authorized state or local governmental agency willing and able to assume the obligations inherent in such joint undertakings, including capital expenditures for parking areas, taxiways, terminal, maintenance, and fuel facilities, if required.

5. Request and Evaluation

a. Joint military and civil use of a Navy or Marine Corps aviation installation will be considered only upon the request of an authorized governmental representative of a state, county, city, etc. To initiate a proposal for joint use, the request must be submitted to the commanding officer of the installation who will immediately forward copies to the Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (Code 205) and through the chain of command to the following: Commander, Navy Installations Command, Chief of Naval Operations, or the Commandant of the Marine Corps, as appropriate, and the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment).

b. A request or proposal must include the following:

(1) A full description of the nature of joint use being proposed, including estimated type and number of aircraft and annual number of commercial operations, if applicable.

(2) An estimate of local jurisdiction support, including possible community objections, if applicable.

(3) Evidence of compatibility of the proposal with state and federal system plans, and

(4) A statement that any costs associated with preparation of an environmental impact statement, if required, will be borne by the requestor.

c. Evaluation include the following:

(1) Upon receipt, the installation commanding officer will, in coordination with the appropriate Facilities Engineering Command division of the Naval Facilities Engineering

Command, make a preliminary evaluation and forward the request, evaluations, and recommendations through the chain of command.

(2) If the preliminary evaluation indicates that joint use may be feasible, the installation commanding officer should advise the requestor to be prepared to offer the following additional information:

(a) The source of resources to guarantee continuing costs of civil operations,

(b) Potential expansion anticipated,

(c) Evidence of load factors to support any proposed commercial operations, and

(d) Air carrier or Air Transport Association verification of commercial requirements.

6. Approval. Approval authority for joint use agreements is the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment).

/s/
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