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Navy Begins Noise Monitoring Initiative at NAS Whidbey Island

NAVAL AIR STATION WHIDBEY ISLAND, Wash. - The Navy completed its first week

of real-time sound monitoring at Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island as

directed by the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year

2020 (FY20).

Flight activity was monitored at 11 sites in proximity to Ault Field and

Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Coupeville for seven consecutive days from

Sunday, December 13 through Saturday, December 19. Data also continues to

be collected in the Olympic National Park at a twelfth site.

The week of monitoring included a range of typical flight activity,

including four days of high activity levels, a moderate-level day, and

low-level flight activity on the weekends.

The information will be available to the public once the yearlong monitoring

effort is complete and the Navy has submitted the final report.