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FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

PROPOSED RELOCATION OF THE ARMED FORCES RADIO AND TELEVISION SERVICES (AFRTS) BROADCAST CENTER TO MARCH AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA

PROPOSED ACTION

The proposed action is a Space and Missile Systems Center (SMC) effort. The Air Force proposed to relocate the Armed Forces Radio and Television Services (AFRTS) Broadcast Center from Sun Valley, California approximately 80 miles to March AFB, California.

BACKGROUND

The Armed Forces Radio and Television Service (AFRTS) operates under the jurisdiction of the American Forces Information Services (AFIS), a DoD field activity under the direction of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs. The AFRTS mission is to provide radio and television news, sports, religious, information and entertainment programming to one million DoD personnel and their families stationed overseas and at sea. AFRTS is presently located in Sun Valley, California, in a 68,000 square foot facility owned by the Air Force.

FINDINGS

There were no significant impacts to the environment identified in the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Relocation of the Armed Forces Radio and Television Services (AFRTS) Broadcast Center to March AFB, California. Therefore, this action qualifies for a Finding Of No Significant Impact (FONSI) as described in AFR 19-2, Environmental Impact Analysis Process, dated 10 August 1982. Copies of the EA and FONSI can be obtained by writing or calling Mr. John Abraham at (310) 363-1522, or at the following address:

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