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Mr. James W. Hostman  
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RE: Charting of the Delta Military Operations Area (MOA) Complex Draft Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Hostman,

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), representing over 415,000 general aviation members, including nearly 4,500 in the state of Alaska, requests the United States Air Force (USAF) extend the public comment period for the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) on the proposed Delta Military Operations Area Complex near Delta Junction, AK.

The USAF released the Draft EA for comment at the end of the year, in the midst of many major federal and religious holidays. The timing of the release of the Draft EA is such that many of the airspace users and stakeholder organizations will not have adequate time or resources to fully review and draft meaningful comments for the USAF to consider.

To allow AOPA and the local airspace users adequate time to analyze and provide comments to the EA, AOPA is requesting the comment period deadline be extended by 30 days.

We appreciate your consideration of this matter and anticipate your positive response.

Sincerely,

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