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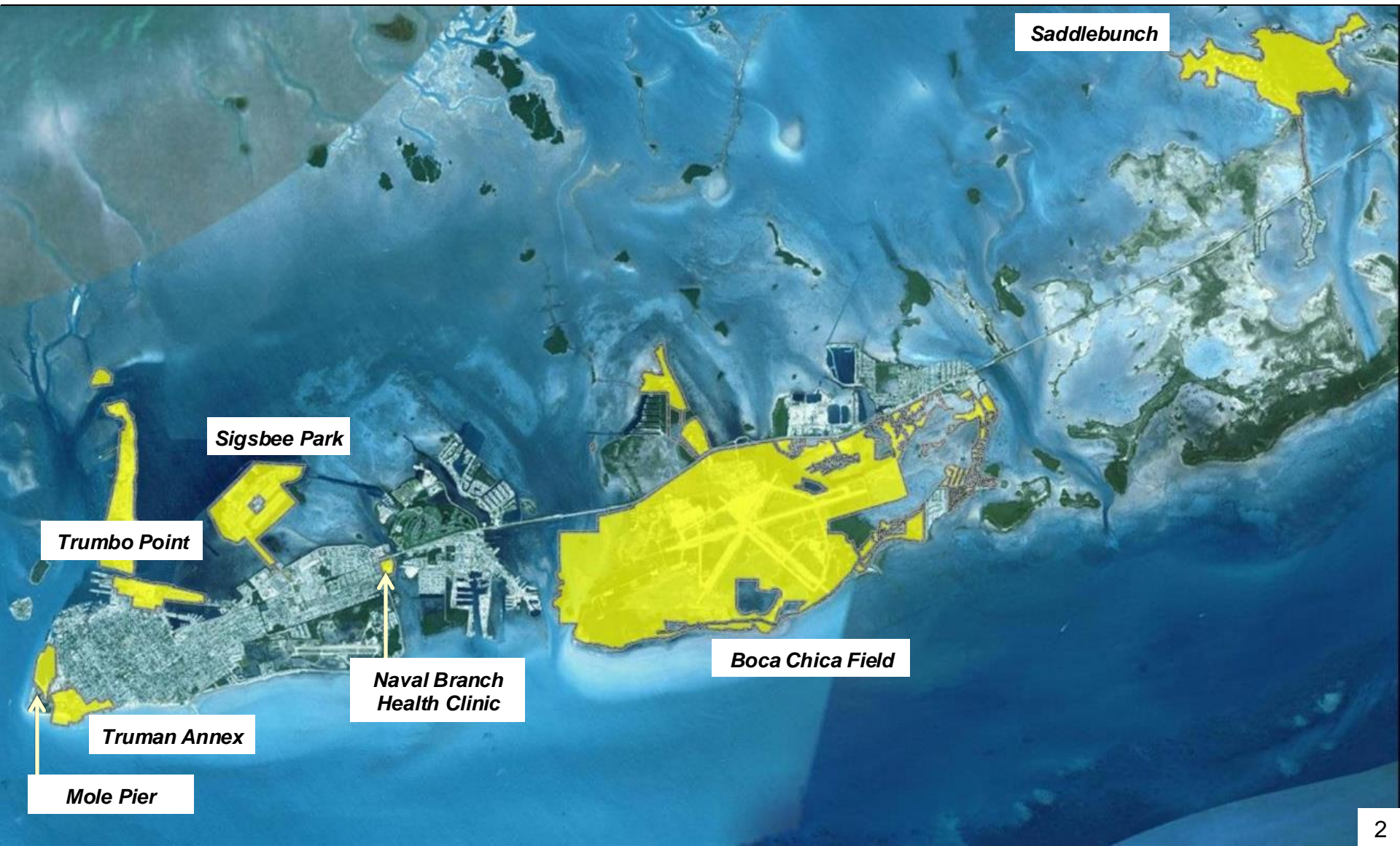
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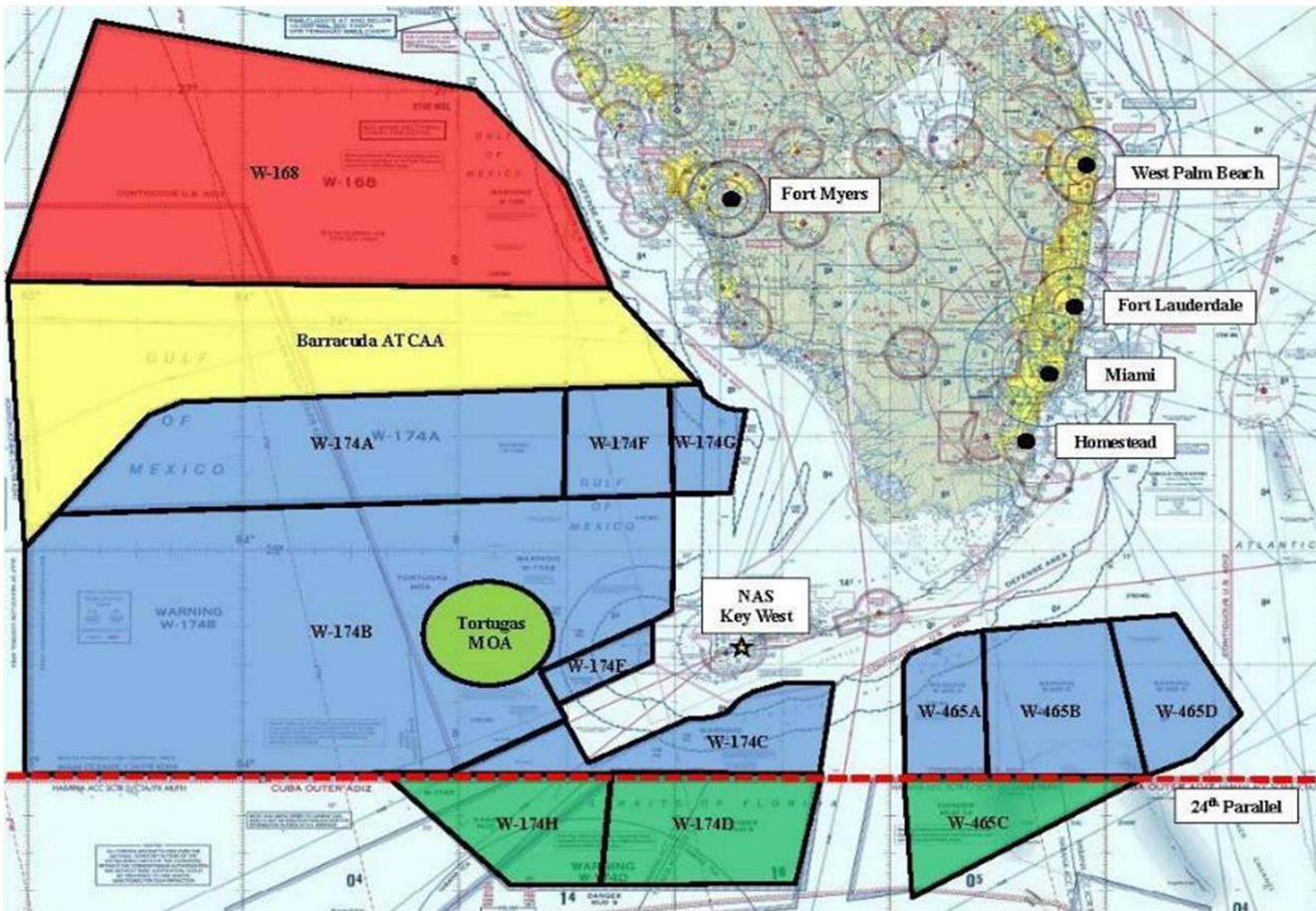
Boca Chica Field

**Department of Defense's Crown Jewel
for Training Tactical Aviation Squadrons**





Air Operations



Ability to conduct an enormous amount of high-fidelity training efficiently therefore saving time, fuel, and taxpayers money!!



Port Operations



- **Primary Mission:**
 - Oil spill response
- **Secondary Missions:**
 - Visiting ships
 - Special Ops
 - SEALS
 - MARSOC
 - FBI
 - EOD



**7 miles offshore to deep-water training
(vs. Norfolk-65 miles or Jacksonville-74 miles)**



Team Key West



- Active Duty
 - DoD Civilians
 - Contractors
- Families





Challenges

- **Housing**
 - **Condition**
 - **Availability**
- **Resilience**
 - **Infrastructure Age**
 - **Flooding**
 - **Remoteness**



**One road in/out
100+ miles of potable water
and electric transmission**



Community Partners



- Monroe County/City of Key West
 - Housing assessment
 - Flooding at ECF streets



- Sigsbee Charter School
 - OLDCC PSMI grant



- IGSA
 - City of Key West/NAS Key West
 - FDOT/CNRSE



- MIRR project implementation





Encroachment Watch

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- North Boca Chica
- Enchanted Island
- South Stock Island

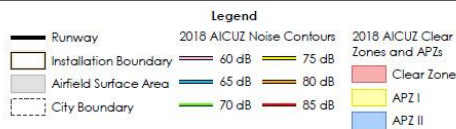


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2018 AICUZ Footprint
NAS Key West
Monroe County, Florida

SOURCE: ESR 2010; FDOT/Monroe County
2015; NAVFAC, SE 2015; Wyle 2013.
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Encroachment Update



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Homestead Commerce Center

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- Despite HARB safety and OPSEC concerns, City of Homestead approved application for two four-story hotels, single and multi-story self-storage, retail, fast food, daycare, and vehicular storage on 18.24 acres west of airfield
- HARB working with DOD Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) program partner Compatible Lands Foundation (CLF) to explore options to purchase restrictive easement or fee simple interest in property
- Yellow Book appraisal was completed, but applicant claimed easement offer was too low despite not being able to produce market research to the contrary or to show what in the appraisal was incorrect
- Discussion continues, but outlook is dim





State Support

- **Military Base Protection Program (MBPP) needs funding for “CONSERVATION EASEMENTS”**
- **State legislature could add military compatibility as a factor for consideration as part of bill analysis**
- **Increased awareness of base encroachment challenges and consequences**
- **Amend FS 163.3175 to be more protective of military installations**
 - **Allow bases to comment on all proposed development, not just that which includes CDMP, plan amendments, land development regs, etc.**
 - **Should include ability to comment on consistency reviews, development plans, etc.**
 - **Allow base representative(s) the right to speak at public meetings more than one minute (i.e., receive additional consideration than as a general member of the public)**
- **Governor’s Base Commanders Meeting (BCM) could be re-started**
- **Amend FS 604.50 to prevent state preemption that allows encroachment around military bases (e.g., two farm buildings now next to HARB flight line; see next slide)**



Non-residential Farm Buildings

- **FS 604.50 supersedes local government protections for non-residential farm buildings:**
 - “Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any nonresidential farm building, farm fence, or farm sign that is located on lands used for bona fide agricultural purposes, not including those lands used for urban agriculture, is exempt from the Florida Building Code and any county or municipal code or fee, except for code provisions implementing local, state, or federal floodplain management regulations.”
- **Construction of farm buildings pursuant to FS 604.50 are not required to comply with HARB overlay land use regulations adopted by City of Homestead and Miami-Dade County**

