Located in the Florida Panhandle, Eglin Air Force Base (AFB) is the Air Force’s largest installation and also includes extensive special use airspace to allow the base to carry out its test and evaluation mission.

That mission is increasing in importance as the base is host to Joint Strike Fighter training that requires the Air Force to fly at low levels into the Eglin range from Eglin Gulf Test and Training Range (EGTTR) airspace.

To guard against development pressures near future critical operating areas, Eglin AFB’s partners are conserving large tracts of land located near and under the installation’s airspace, as well as within important wildlife corridors. Part of an unprecedented partnership, the base is protecting land within the Northwest Florida Greenway, a 100-mile habitat corridor between the base and the Apalachicola National Forest to the southeast. The base is also creating buffers between its boundaries and the Blackwater River State Forest to the north.

With strong support from the state’s Florida Forever program, the partnership’s dedication to the military mission allows Eglin AFB to continue to conduct its testing and training activities. While protecting a major regional economic driver, the partnership is also conserving one of the most biologically diverse regions in the country.

**Benefit Summary**

**Community**
- Supports a designated green corridor to enable wildlife to travel safely between habitats
- Supports existing regional planning objectives, including the implementation of a Joint Land Use Study
- Protects habitat for wildlife

**Military**
- Protects off-installation maneuver test and evaluation capability
- Provides for future mission growth and multi-Service missions

**FAST FACTS**

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