

**NON-CHAPTER 343 DOCUMENT  
PUBLICATION FORM  
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROGRAM**

**Project Name:** Air Force Maui Optical and Supercomputing Site Small Telescope Advanced Research Facility, Maui, HI

**Applicable Law:** National Environmental Policy Act

**Type of Document:** Draft Environmental Impact Statement

**Island:** Maui

**District:** Makawao, Maui

**TMK:** (2) 2-2-007:016

**Permits Required:** See Draft EIS

**Applicant or Proposing Agency:** Department of the Air Force (DAF)

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**Approving Agency or Accepting Authority:** DAF

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**Status:** The public comment period for the AMOS STAR EIS begins with publication of the Notice of Availability (NOA) in the *Federal Register* on or about January 30, 2026. Notices also will be printed in *The Maui News*, *Ka Wai Ola*, *The Honolulu Star-Advertiser* and a notice will be published in *The Environmental Notice*, the periodic bulletin of the Hawai'i Environmental Review Program. The Draft EIS is available for download from the project website at [www.amosstareis.com](http://www.amosstareis.com). It may also be reviewed at the following public libraries:

- Hāna Public Library, 4111 Hana Highway, Hāna, HI, 96713
- Kahului Public Library, 90 School St, Kahului, HI 96732
- Kīhei Public Library, 35 Waimahaihai St, Kīhei, HI 96753
- Makawao Public Library, 1159 Makawao Ave, Makawao, HI 96768
- Wailuku Public Library, 251 S High St, Wailuku, HI 96793

The DAF invites the public, stakeholders, and other interested parties to attend one of two public hearings being held in February 17 and 18, 2026. Project team members will be available to answer questions, and exhibits will be on display from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Attendees will have an opportunity to provide oral comments from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The hearings will be held at the following locations:

- February 17, 2026, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., **Kihei Community Center**, 303 E. Lipoa St., Kīhei, Maui, HI 96753

- February 18, 2026, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., **Mayor H. Tavares Community Center**, 91 Pukalani St., Pukalani, Maui, HI 96768

To ensure a thorough review of the analysis in the Draft EIS, the DAF is soliciting comments from interested local, state, and federal agencies; nongovernmental organizations; Native Hawaiian organizations; community associations; and members of the public. Comments on the Draft EIS may be submitted in a variety of ways to include orally at the in-person public hearings or in writing at the public hearings, through the project website at [www.amosstareis.com](http://www.amosstareis.com); via email to [amosstareis@tetrattech.com](mailto:amosstareis@tetrattech.com); or by mail to: AMOS STAR EIS, 711 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 950, Honolulu, HI 96813-5213. The DAF requests that comments on the Draft EIS be submitted by March 16, 2026, to ensure their consideration in the Final EIS.

**Summary:** The Proposed Action is the installation and operation of the AMOS STAR facility on the island of Maui, Hawai‘i where the DAF has existing assets, such as the Maui Space Surveillance Complex (MSSC) that support Pacific region space domain awareness (SDA) missions. The proposed facility would consist of up to seven telescopes enclosed in domes. The proposed telescopes would primarily be operated remotely. The Proposed Action would require siting within available federal or DAF controlled property, installation of utilities, including fiber optic links from the MSSC, a paved access drive and parking facilities, surface water runoff management measures, and other site improvements.

The purpose of the proposed action is to provide enhanced dedicated satellite tracking and communication capabilities to allow the characterization, cataloging, and tracking of objects in space and to enable advanced research that expands the DAF’s understanding of objects over the Pacific region. The DAF needs to expand the capabilities of AMOS to enhance its SDA. To expand these capabilities, additional telescopes are required at a site with favorable viewing conditions in the Pacific region. Also, the 15 SPSS must be able to readily provide operational control and support to the additional telescopes.