

NEFL MIRR Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

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Project name: Northeast Florida Military Installation Readiness Review
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Attention: NEFRC
Company: Northeast Florida Regional Council
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Agenda

- 2:00 p.m. Welcome and Introductions**
- 2:10 pm Task 5 – Mutual Support Agreement Updates**
- 2:40 pm Adaptation Strategies Planning Approach Overview**
- 3:10 pm White Paper Discussion: *A Preparation Strategy for Future Erosion Impacts***
- 3:45 pm Next Steps and Questions**

Technical Advisory Committee Mission

To discuss relevant topics, provide expert opinions, follow up questions on assessment and adaptation, review preliminary findings and foster the identified outcomes toward implementation.



Meeting Summary

The Northeast Florida Regional Council’s Technical Advisory Committee met on February 26, 2026, to review progress on the Military Installation Readiness Review and discuss key regional resilience needs. The group began with an update on Mutual Support Agreements, noting that the region benefits from strong emergency services coordination, established encroachment protections, and a high level of collaboration between installations and local governments. However, several gaps were identified, including the need for improved utility infrastructure redundancy, expanded affordable housing options near installations, and the formalization of currently informal partnerships to ensure continuity despite leadership changes.

Committee discussions highlighted growing pressures from development near installation boundaries and concerns about state-level legislation that may weaken local zoning authority. Participants emphasized that identifying appropriate areas for new housing and engaging regional development associations may help relieve encroachment pressures. Transportation resilience was generally viewed as adequately supported under current regional coordination. Utility challenges were also discussed, particularly ongoing wastewater-related issues at NAS Jacksonville.

The group reviewed the adaptation strategies framework, an eight-step process focused on identifying mission-critical risks, integrating multiple infrastructure systems, scoring project feasibility, and developing implementation timelines and funding pathways. Upcoming milestones extend from March through June as the framework is refined and comprehensive adaptation projects are drafted.

A summary of the Shoreline Vulnerability White Paper was also presented, detailing erosion and inundation risks affecting Mayport, NAS Jacksonville, and Blount Island. Key concerns included critically eroded beaches, canal-driven flooding, overtopping risks, and bridge scour. Potential resilience strategies ranged from jetty and seawall improvements to dune restoration, living shorelines, and tide gates. Participants noted that permitting challenges, especially for nature-based solutions, remain a major barrier to implementation.

The meeting concluded with agreement on the need to maintain regional coordination, improve infrastructure resilience, and prioritize shoreline protection measures. The next TAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 26, with an emergency management exercise planned for May 2026.

Next Step Action Items:

- Begin framing adaptation strategies, including both policy and infrastructure mitigation projects.
- Provide feedback on the Mutual Support Agreements and adaptation strategies.
- Identify coordination opportunities to support upcoming adaptation project development.
- Prepare for the next TAC meeting scheduled for March 26.

