



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, ALASKA**

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL JBER PERSONNEL AND VISTORS

FROM: 673 ABW/CC

SUBJECT: Policy Change to Recreational Access to JBER

References: (a) JBERI 31-113, 7 June 2022, *Base Access Program*
(b) 673 ABWI 32-7001, 25 July 2012, *Conservation and Management of Cultural and Natural Resources*

1. Effective immediately, recreational users of the JBER cantonment area and the training areas north of the Glenn Highway must possess a Department of Defense (DoD) identification card or be escorted by a person possessing a DoD credential. Training areas south of the Glenn Highway remain open for recreational purposes to the public. Training areas south of the Glenn Highway (i.e., Arctic Valley areas do not require a base access credential but do require a RecAccess permit). Recreational kayaking, rafting, or floating of Eagle River or Ship Creek onto JBER remains unauthorized, except though 773d Force Support Squadron Outdoor Adventure Program rafting trips.
2. Attendees at DoD-sponsored recreation or conservation events or activities may obtain a base access credential for the duration of the activity. Such credentials are valid only for the area of the activity and travel to and from the activity site. Access for these activities will be coordinated between the DoD sponsoring agency and 673d Security Forces Squadron (SFS) Base Access section. Individuals who have drawn hunting areas (i.e., State of Alaska Draw Hunts) in a training area north of the Glenn Highway will be sponsored by the JBER Natural Resources Office. The JBER Natural Resource Office will sponsor these individuals by validating the hunter's need and authorization for access to the hunting area prescribed on their Alaska State issued draw permit. These hunters will be granted unescorted access for the duration of the hunt after obtaining a base access credential. All users seeking a base access credential are subject to criminal history vetting and a positive fitness determination for entry to JBER.
3. Persons recreating in training areas on JBER must continue to register and check-in and out of the training areas on the RecAccess website at <https://jber.recaccess.com/> and have a physical or digital copy of their pass with them at all times. Contact the 673 SFS Base Access section at 907-552-4029 with any questions or concerns regarding this policy change.

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