

Our Missions

Enable United States Special Operations Command objectives

WMD Counter-proliferation

Special Recon

Direct Action

Hostage Rescue

Counterterrorism

Unconventional Warfare



“We get called at a moment’s notice to support a SOF ground element to either save Americans from bad places or kill bad guys that are threatening Americans. That alert goes out incredibly fast and requires immediate response from all of our units.”



Risk Mitigation Priorities

- Widen Hwy 98
- Build connector roads parallel to Hwy 98
- Construct Hurlburt Field West Gate



**Hwy 98: 166% of Capacity
(50K Vehicles on 30K Road)**



10K Vehicles from 4pm
to 7 pm on Hwy 98



4.1K+ Members Live
West of Hurlburt

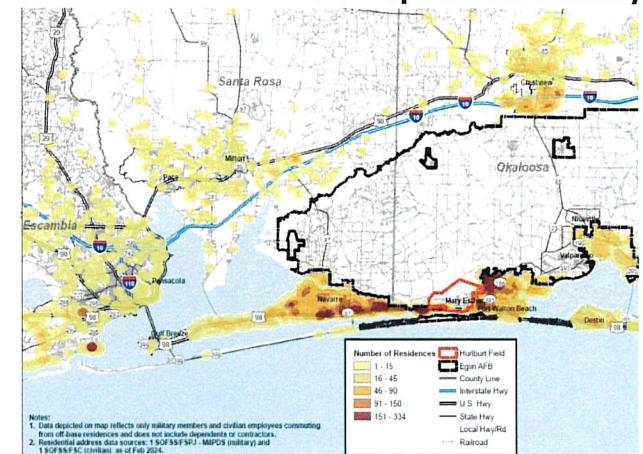


367 Crashes Between Hurlburt and SR 87



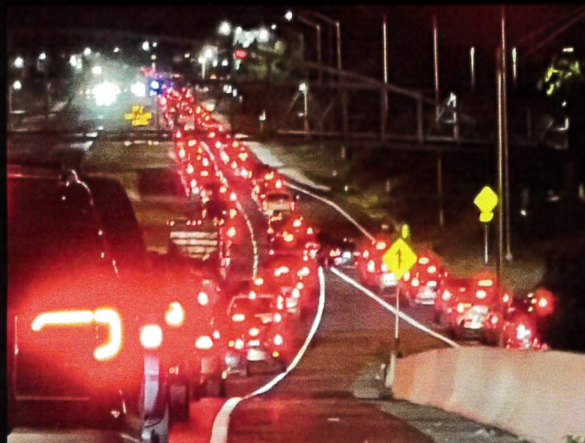
Multiple Fatalities (2 Airmen)

Hurlburt Field Population Density



Traffic Considerations

- Large seasonal traffic flows
- Dynamic & unpredictable conditions
- Single avenues of approach
- One mishap can stop traffic for miles, causing multiple-hour delays



Military readiness concerns heighten as U.S. Highway 98 traffic woes continue near Hurlburt Field

Recent traffic gridlock from construction on U.S. Highway 98 near Hurlburt Field highlights ongoing military readiness concerns that base leadership has been working to address, bringing renewed attention to a critical infrastructure challenge.

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Traffic Impacts to National Security

Population density increases have negatively impacted Hwy 98 traffic trends, generating more frequent and severe accidents, resulting in **unavoidable reporting delays.**

Directly impacts our ability to recall members during crisis response, causing **RISK TO MISSION**, and threatening **MISSION FAILURE.**

Our Aircraft



U28 Draco



MC130J Commando II



AC130J Ghost Rider



MQ9 Reaper

1st Special Operations Wing
Patrick T. Dierig, Colonel, USAF
Commander

Hurlburt Field

Providing our nation's specialized airpower, capable across the spectrum of conflict...
any time, any place



Quick Facts

Located in Okaloosa County (FL District 1)

Home of Air Force Special Operations Command, 4 major commands, 4 wings, 77+ aircraft, 24 squadrons, 40+ tenant units, & 24.5K personnel

4th largest USAF population (8K Active)

Awarded \$29.6M contracts in FL

Executed over 5K combat missions in last 3 years