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**Joint Land Use Studies for
Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island
Marine Corps Air Station, Beaufort**

May 22, 2014

On May 22, 2014, the Lowcountry Council of Governments will host two Public Kick-Off sessions for Joint Land Use Studies (JLUS) being conducted for Marine Corps Recruit Depot – Parris Island and Marine Corps Air Station – Beaufort. The public is invited to both sessions and input will be received.

The Joint Land Use Studies will evaluate land uses on and in proximity to each of the Marine Corps bases. The Studies are being conducted by a consulting team of land use experts and are guided by a local Policy Committee and a Technical Committee appointed by the Lowcountry COG. The final JLUS report will identify tools for encouraging and enhancing compatibility between the use of Marine Corps lands and the non-military lands surrounding them.

The Lowcountry COG and its consultants currently are gathering initial input and background information and data related to lands in the study areas. This information and the input received from the public will inform the final Study and recommendations.

The purpose of the May 22nd public “kick-off” meetings is to provide information about the Study and to begin gathering public input from residents, business persons, and other community members on local issues, opportunities, and priorities.

Each meeting will be held in the Media Room (turn right as you come through the front door) at Battery Creek High School.

The Kick-Off meeting for the Marine Corps Recruit Depot – Parris Island will be held at 3:30 p.m. on May 22nd. The Kick-Off meeting for the Marine Corps Air Station – Beaufort will follow and will begin at 5:30 p.m. on May 22nd, at the same location.

Additional public work sessions will be held throughout the study.



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