MILITARY COMPATIBLE LAND USE AMENDMENTS
2024 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Val L. Peterson
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LONG TITLE
General Description:
This bill addresses land use compatibility with military use.
Highlighted Provisions:
This bill:
 modifies provisions regarding when notice is required related to applications or
permits near military land;
 provides that a municipality or county should deny a land use application if the
Department of Veterans and Military Affairs determines that a proposed land use is
incompatible with military operations; and
makes technical changes.
Money Appropriated in this Bill:
None
Other Special Clauses:
None
Utah Code Sections Affected:
AMENDS:
10-9a-537, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 154
17-27a-533, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 154



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the relevant military land; and

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	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
	Section 1. Section 10-9a-537 is amended to read:
1	10-9a-537. Land use compatibility with military use.
1	(1) As used in this section:
	(a) "Department" means the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs.
	(b) "Military" means a branch of the armed forces of the United States, including the
	Utah National Guard.
	(c) "Military land" means the following land or facilities:
	(i) Camp Williams;
	(ii) Hill Air Force Base;
,	(iii) Dugway Proving Ground;
	(iv) Tooele Army Depot;
	(v) Utah Test and Training Range;
1	(vi) Nephi Readiness Center;
	(vii) Cedar City Alternate Flight Facility; or
	(viii) Little Mountain Test Facility.
	(2) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), on or before July 1, 2025, for any area
	in a municipality within 5,000 feet of a boundary of military land, a municipality shall, in
	consultation with the department, develop and maintain a compatible use plan to ensure
	permitted uses and conditional uses relevant to the military land are compatible with the
,	military operations on military land.
	(b) A municipality that has a compatible use plan as of January 1, 2023, is not required
	to develop a new compatible use plan.
	(3) If a municipality receives a land use application[, other than an individual building
	permit,] related to land within 5,000 feet of a boundary of military land, before the municipality
	may approve the land use application, the municipality shall notify the department in writing.
	(4) (a) If the department receives the notice described in Subsection (3), the executive
	director of the department shall:
	[(a)] (i) determine whether the proposed land use is compatible with the military use of

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57	[(b)] (ii) within 90 days after the receipt of the notice described in Subsection (3),
58	respond in writing to the municipality regarding the determination of compatibility described in
59	Subsection $(4)(a)(\underline{i})$.
60	(b) (i) For a land use application pertaining to a parcel within 5,000 feet of military
61	land that may have an adverse effect on the operations of the military installation, except as
62	provided in Subsection (4)(b)(ii), the municipality shall consider the compatible use plan in
63	processing the land use application.
64	(ii) For a land use application pertaining to a parcel within 5,000 feet of military land
65	that may have an adverse effect on the operations of the military installation, if the applicant
66	has a vested right, the municipality is not required to consider the compatible land use plan in
67	consideration of the land use application.
68	(5) If the department receives the notice described in Subsection (3) before the
69	municipality has completed the compatible use plan as described in this section, the department
70	shall consult with the municipality and representatives of the relevant military land to
71	determine whether the use proposed in the land use application is a compatible use.
72	Section 2. Section 17-27a-533 is amended to read:
73	17-27a-533. Land use compatibility with military use.
74	(1) As used in this section:
75	(a) "Department" means the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs.
76	(b) "Military" means a branch of the armed forces of the United States, including the
77	Utah National Guard.
78	(c) "Military land" means the following land or facilities:
79	(i) Camp Williams;
80	(ii) Hill Air Force Base;
81	(iii) Dugway Proving Ground;
82	(iv) Tooele Army Depot;
83	(v) Utah Test and Training Range;
84	(vi) Nephi Readiness Center;
85	(vii) Cedar City Alternate Flight Facility; or
86	(viii) Little Mountain Test Facility.
87	(2) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), on or before July 1, 2025, for any area

- in a county within 5,000 feet of a boundary of military land, a county shall, in consultation with the department, develop and maintain a compatible use plan to ensure permitted uses and conditional uses relevant to the military land are compatible with the military operations on military land.
- (b) A county that has a compatible use plan as of January 1, 2023, is not required to develop a new compatible use plan.
- (3) If a county receives a land use application[, other than an individual building permit,] related to land within 5,000 feet of a boundary of military land, before the county may approve the land use application, the county shall notify the department in writing.
- (4) (a) If the department receives the notice described in Subsection (3), the executive director of the department shall:
- $[\underbrace{(a)}]$ (i) determine whether the proposed land use is compatible with the military use of the relevant military land; and
- [(b)] (ii) within 90 days after the receipt of the notice described in Subsection (3), respond in writing to the county regarding the determination of compatibility described in Subsection (4)(a)(i).
- (b) (i) For a land use application pertaining to a parcel within 5,000 feet of military land that may have an adverse effect on the operations of the military installation, except as provided in Subsection (4)(b)(ii), the county shall consider the compatible use plan in processing the land use application.
- (ii) For a land use application pertaining to a parcel within 5,000 feet of military land that may have an adverse effect on the operations of the military installation, if the applicant has a vested right, the county is not required to consider the compatible land use plan in consideration of the land use application.
- (5) If the department receives the notice described in Subsection (3) before the county has completed the compatible use plan as described in this section, the department shall consult with the county and representatives of the relevant military land to determine whether the use proposed in the land use application is a compatible use.
- Section 3. Effective date.
- This bill takes effect on May 1, 2024.