

### **Will there be drones?**

Since 2013 there have been more than 40 crashes of large (Class II and III) military drones. This does not count the number of crashes that have not been reported by the military. According to an [organization that tracks drone crashes](#), "It may surprise some to find that as many drones – 18 – have crashed in the US since January 2007 as in Iraq. In 2010 alone, seven drones crashed in the US – one was a small Mexican surveillance drone that crashed into a house in Texas, the other 6 crashed during military training flights or military company test flights. Given the fact that earlier this year the US government mandated that US skies should be opened up to civil drones by 2015, this figure is only likely to increase. No drone crashes have been reported in Iraq since 2010."

If use of military drones is increasing and other National Forests in the State of Washington are already listed as part of the new Navy Northwest Training and Testing Range, then why was this information not included in the [2014 Environmental Assessment \(EA\)](#)?

Will there be military drones flying through the Olympic National Forest and over the Olympic National Park? Will the Navy's Oregon Boardman Drone Range drones and other aircraft be conducting training or testing in other National Forests? If yes, what types of activities will they be conducting in this area? What independent investigations will the Forest Service be conducting with regard to impacts from such activities on National Forest lands?

These questions have been asked but not answered.

Source: <http://dronewars.net/2012/09/06/a-century-of-drone-crashes/>