

Effects of potential furloughs on Air Force Sustainment Center

What are the specific areas which would be impacted by sequestration?

Most significantly, funding cuts for the maintenance of aircraft and other systems would directly impact weapons system sustainment, however Sequestration would impact all areas of the AFSC mission.

What would be the probable impact of a furlough?

If directed by the Department of Defense, furlough of civilian employees of up to 22 days between April and September. This will impact the AFSC mission across the spectrum of Air Force weapon system sustainment. If directed:

We will advise civilian personnel at least 30 days prior to imposing any unpaid furlough.

We will ensure that furloughs, if necessary, will be consistently applied across the AFSC to the maximum extent feasible.

How many civilians could be furloughed?

At this time we can't predict the exact number, however a DoD directed furlough could potentially include approximately 31,000 AFSC civilian employees in several states.

Do these actions replace the near term actions announced in January?

No, these would be in addition to those near-term actions.

What are the near term actions?

AFMC announced in January it would undertake several near-term actions to save money such as implementing a temporary civilian hiring freeze, release of non-mission critical term and temporary employees, cancellation of non-mission critical travel, limiting supply purchases, reducing some service contracts, and postponement of non-emergency facility sustainment. If sequestration occurs, these near-term actions, already underway, will continue through the remainder of the year, further reducing the ability of each AFSC installation to accomplish its mission.

What are you doing now to prepare for budget cuts?

AFSC is actively engaged with AFMC to determine how best to plan for and implement the actions needed to ensure our sustainment mission is accomplished while responding to budgetary constraints.