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### Spokane Tribe Celebrates Fairchild Air Force Base Growth

(AIRWAY HEIGHTS, WA, JUNE 8, 2017) The Spokane Tribal Council applauds the U.S. Air Force selection of Fairchild Air Force Base for 12 more KC – 135 tankers, along with three additional back up tankers. That decision will make the 92<sup>nd</sup> Air Refueling Wing the largest tanker fleet in the Air Force, while adding 400 new jobs to the base.

Fairchild has experienced continuous growth as nine other tankers were transferred in March from Kansas. These moves are expected to add \$20 million annually to the local economy.

Spokane Tribal Chair, Carol Evans stated, “It is exciting to see this economic growth on the West Plains. The Spokane Tribe has enjoyed a great relationship with Fairchild Air Force Base, as we have both planned for future growth. Our Spokane Tribe Casino is under construction, adding hundreds of jobs to the local community.” Between Fairchild and the Spokane Tribe, the West Plains have seen more than \$75 million in construction and development this year.

The Spokane Tribe celebrates the job creation and boost to our local economy. Stay up-to-date on the Spokane Tribe Casino construction by visiting: [spokanetribecasino.com](http://spokanetribecasino.com).

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