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Aircraft Mid-Air Collision at Mountain Home Air Force Base Air Show

MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE, Idaho – On May 17, 2026, two U.S. Navy EA18-G assigned to Electronic Attack Squadron (VAQ) 129 from Whidbey Island, Washington had a mid-air collision while performing an aerial demonstration involving four aircrew for the Mountain Home Air Force Base Gunfighter Skies Air Show, near Mountain Home Air Force Base at about 12:10 p.m. MDT.

All four of the air crew successfully ejected and they are being evaluated by medical personnel. First responders are on the scene.

The incident is under investigation. More information will be released as it becomes available.

The EA-18G Growler is a variant in the F/A-18 family of aircraft that combines the proven F/A-18F Super Hornet platform with a sophisticated electronic warfare suite.

The U.S. Navy fact file on the EA-18G Growler can be found at the following link:

<https://www.navy.mil/Resources/Fact-Files/Display-FactFiles/Article/2166036/ea-18g-growler-airborne-electronic-attack-aircraft/>

All queries about the aircrew should be referred to CDR Amelia, Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs Officer at 619-726-3749, cnap_pao@us.navy.mil. For queries on the status of the airshow or the incident response, please contact 366 Fighter Wing Public Affairs at 208-828-6800.

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