Press Release- City of Box Elder

We're pleased and very excited to share the news that Ellsworth AFB has been selected as the home to the B-21 Formal Training Unit and will be the first base to receive an operational squadron of B-21 Raider bombers. This is huge for Box Elder, western SD and the state.

We have been eagerly awaiting this announcement for some time. Box Elder is one of the fastest growing communities in the state and this announcement means more great things are coming to Box Elder. The economic impact to Box Elder and western SD will be huge. This will bring businesses and hundreds of jobs to the area. We are very excited about the announcement and look forward to our continuing partnership with Ellsworth AFB. We want to congratulate Col. Edwards, the men and women working and serving at Ellsworth AFB and thank our congressional leaders for their vision and support. We look forward to the integration of this very important new mission.

Mayor Larry Larson