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The Honorable Joel Hefley  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Readiness  
Committee on Armed Services  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-6035

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Transmitted herewith are 14 Army National Guard minor construction projects that have been approved by the Department of the Army in conjunction with the review procedures established by the Secretary of Defense. This notification is in compliance with 10 USC 2805(b).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph W. Whitaker".

Joseph W. Whitaker  
Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army  
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Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Solomon P. Ortiz  
Ranking Member

## **Unspecified Minor Military Construction, Army National Guard Projects**

### **Installations and Project Description**

Fresno Airways, California

Military Owned Vehicle Parking, Project Number 060307

Estimated cost is \$402,000

This project involves installing 72,099 square feet of flexible paving, 1,629 linear feet of fencing, security lighting and storm water drainage. This project is to replace parking that was diminished from the construction of a new building and to alleviate the deficit in parking space that existed even before the new building was constructed. When completed, the parking space will go from the current 45% of authorized space to 85% of authorized space. This installation, consisting of a Readiness Center and Organizational Maintenance Shop, supports 627 soldiers, 187 vehicles and 137 trailers. The vehicles include Palletized Load System vehicles that have an extraordinarily large turning radius (96 feet), resulting in a gridlock during unit training and a high risk of damages to vehicles and personnel because of the limited space. If this project is not provided, it would cause an adverse impact on training and lead to continued degradation of military vehicle driving/maneuverability safety.

### **Installations and Project Description**

Hawyard Municipal Airport, California

Ready Building Alteration, Project Number 060302

Estimated cost is \$1,348,000

This project involves upgrading 5,920 square feet of an existing 19,440 square foot building constructed in 1965. The work includes upgrades and alterations to the plumbing, electrical and heating systems, as well as renovations to provide more space for classrooms, supply arms vaults, showers and locker rooms. In addition, this project involves the addition of pavement, fencing and sidewalks. This project is to support the 22-person 95<sup>th</sup> Civil Support Team. This project is needed to upgrade a building that was not designed to accommodate current needs which have increased with the addition of a Weapons of Mass Destruction unit. If this project is not provided, it would cause an adverse impact on the effectiveness, training, retention and readiness of the 95<sup>th</sup> Civil Support Team.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

District of Columbia Armory, Washington, D.C.  
Health and Dental Examination Area, Project Number 110203  
Estimated cost is \$850,000

This project involves renovating the existing Health and Dental Examination Area located within the District of Columbia Armory. The present facility is operationally substandard and does not meet current mechanical codes. Because of the heavy deployment activity of the District of Columbia Guard, the facility is being used above its operational capability. It does not have central air conditioning/ventilation. Electrical and lighting do not meet codes. Smoke detectors and security alarms are non-existent. Laboratory facilities are inadequate for modern medical practices, and the dental room is not conducive for dental examinations.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

National Guard Training Center, Fort Stewart, Georgia  
Latrine Renovations, Project Number TBD  
Estimated cost is \$1,500,000

This project involves renovation of 15 stand-alone latrine buildings (5 latrines per block of Barracks/3 Blocks) of the 12 blocks remaining that require renovation. All need renovation. The first use of these facilities is for Army National Guard soldiers conducting individual and collective training at Fort Stewart. However, these three blocks are top priority since they are occupied by returning reservists from the Middle East awaiting medical treatment or release from active duty. These facilities were built in the early 1960s. Renovation will include replacement of all toilets and urinals with up to date fixtures, installation of partitions (which currently do not exist), drop ceilings and energy efficient lighting, non-skid tile floor covering over the existing concrete, installation of new lavatories and mirrors, and installation of individual showers to replace existing community shower facilities. This project is a start towards the upgrading of old facilities at the National Guard Training Center at Fort Stewart, Georgia. These facilities are used to house Reserve Component soldiers processing through the Fort Stewart Mobilization Platform. These improvements will add significantly to the quality of life for these transient Army National Guard soldiers.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Waterloo, Iowa  
Readiness Center Addition, Project Number 190100  
Estimated cost is \$1,406,000

This project involves constructing a 16,916 square foot addition to a 21,137 square foot armory constructed in 1954. The work also involves adding flammable materials storage, an unheated metal storage building, pavement and sidewalks. The present facility is inadequate, by 16,916 square feet, for the units currently assigned due to lack of administrative, classroom and storage areas. These deficiencies impair the attainment of the required mobilization readiness levels and negatively impact troop readiness and morale.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Boone Center, Kentucky  
Administrative Building Alteration, Project Number 210281  
Estimated cost is \$1,500,000

This project involves rebuilding an existing 15,000 square foot administrative office building built in 1960. The concrete pad and metal skeleton of the existing building will remain. Walls and all systems will be built new. The present facility built in 1960 as a temporary facility is failing and inadequate. Numerous health and safety problems include mold, mildew and bird infestation. Plumbing systems are inadequate for number of occupants. Electrical, heating, ventilation and air conditioning and other systems are inadequate and/or failing. The exterior envelope (walls/roof) are failing, permitting water and pest infestation. This building provides administrative and storage space for various National Guard offices in Kentucky including the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, the Recruiting Command, the office of the Senior Army Advisor, the Safety and Occupational Health office and the Personnel Service Section.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Camp Shelby, Mississippi  
Wetlands Crossings (Training Area 17), Project Number 280331  
Estimated cost is \$1,381,000

This project involves improving existing roads and trails, installing hardened wetland crossings, and improving approaches to and from the crossings to include water velocity breaks and other forms of erosion control. All of these improvements apply to Training Area 17. Presently, maneuver Training Area 17 at Camp Shelby cannot be used for maneuver training in current doctrinal standards. This is due to a special use permit with the United States Forest Service that requires that wetland crossings be hardened. Until these improvements are made, units will continue to train in unrealistic terrain with maneuver restrictions, not permitting units to train adequately, diminishing unit readiness.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Camp Shelby, Mississippi

Wetlands Crossings (Training Area 19), Project Number 280332

Estimated cost is \$1,381,000

This project involves improving existing roads and trails, installing hardened wetland crossings, and improving approaches to and from the crossings to include water velocity breaks and other forms of erosion control. All of these improvements apply to Training Area 19. Presently, maneuver Training Area 19 at Camp Shelby cannot be used for maneuver training in current doctrinal standards. This is due to a special use permit with the United States Forest Service that requires that wetland crossings be hardened. Until these improvements are made, units will continue to train in unrealistic terrain with maneuver restrictions, not permitting units to train adequately, diminishing unit readiness.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Camp Shelby, Mississippi

Wetlands Crossings (Training Area 33), Project Number 280333

Estimated cost is \$1,381,000

This project involves improving existing roads and trails, installing hardened wetland crossings, and improving approaches to and from the crossings to include water velocity breaks and other forms of erosion control. All of these improvements apply to Training Area 33. Presently, maneuver Training Area 33 at Camp Shelby cannot be used for maneuver training in current doctrinal standards. This is due to a special use permit with the United States Forest Service that requires that wetland crossings be hardened. Until these improvements are made, units will continue to train in unrealistic terrain with maneuver restrictions, not permitting units to train adequately, diminishing unit readiness.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Fort Harrison, Montana

Ready Building, Project Number 300129

Estimated cost is \$1,488,000

This project involves constructing a 6,788 square foot ready building, a 3,000 square foot metal vehicle ready building (heated), pavement (including an access road), fencing, sidewalks, exterior lighting, and exterior fire protection. This project is to support the 22 person 83<sup>rd</sup> Civil Support Team. This unit is scheduled to be upgraded to a full time mission based on recent legislation. There are no existing facilities available in the Helena area to meet the requirement of adequately provide this unit with administrative, supply, classroom, locker, latrine and vehicle storage space. If this project is not provided, it would cause an adverse impact on the effectiveness, training, retention and readiness the 83<sup>rd</sup> Civil Support Team.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Fort Harrison, Montana  
Engineer Maintenance Facility, Project Number 300120  
Estimated cost is \$1,473,000

This project involves constructing a 10,471 square foot engineer maintenance facility, a 6,050 unheated storage facility, and associated paving, sidewalks, fencing, lighting and utilities. The work also includes expenses for site preparation, force protection, and erosion control. This project is to house the Post Engineer maintenance activities for the National Guard facilities statewide. The current facilities used are older or condemned buildings scattered throughout the post. The current situation results in inefficient operations, damaged materials and equipment. In addition, supplies are occasionally lost due to lack of storage space.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
Readiness Center Addition, Project Number 370098  
Estimated cost is \$1,400,000

This project consists of constructing a 5,460 square foot addition and 3,800 square foot renovation of existing readiness center space, which was originally constructed in 1954. Supporting facilities include site utilities, and reconfigured pavement and sidewalks. The present facility is inadequate for the newly reorganized units currently assigned as part of the Army Division Redesign Study Phase II initiative due to lack of administrative, classroom and storage space. These deficiencies impair the attainment of the required mobilization readiness levels and negatively impact troop readiness and morale.

**Installations and  
Project Description**

Camp Sherman Training Site, Chillicothe, Ohio  
Barracks, Project Number 390181  
Estimated cost is \$1,497,000

This project involves constructing a 10,826 square foot barracks with capacity of 100 persons. It will be primarily open bay with a few individual rooms. The project also includes expenses related to site preparation, sidewalks, utilities, fire protection, and security. This project is required to support units using the Training Site at Chillicothe for range fire and field training exercises. The Training Site has 400 acres on Federal land that is licensed to the Ohio National Guard. Currently there are no facilities to accommodate personnel for overnight operations. If this project is not provided, adverse impact to training, safety and readiness of units requiring training at Camp Sherman will continue.

**Installations and**  
**Project Description**

McEntire Air National Guard Base, Eastover, South Carolina  
Army Aviation Support Facility Addition, Project Number 450210  
Estimated cost is \$1,495,000

This project involves building a 15,612 square foot addition to a helicopter maintenance hangar built in 1990. The addition includes administrative areas, an Aviation Life Support Equipment Shop, a physical fitness area, and a Simulation Training Area. The project also includes associated site preparation. This project is required to upgrade the Army Aviation Support Facility to current construction criteria. The original construction did not include the facilities in this addition. If this project is not provided, present inefficient method of aviation maintenance and administrative support and operations will continue.