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 U.S. House of Representatives
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Bid Expiration Date: February 28, 2011

Military Construction, Army

Reprogramming Request

Installation: Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia

Project: Quartermaster Unit Operations Facilities

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008, P.L. 110-181

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	16,000
Previously Reprogrammed	-
Requested Reprogramming	7,500
Total Estimated Cost	23,500

Description: This action will construct the company operations facilities and covered hardstand as authorized for this project.

Justification: This project supports the troop increase requested by the Secretary of Defense as part of the "Grow the Force" (GTF) initiative for the Army. The vehicle maintenance shop, organizational vehicle parking and deployment equipment storage facilities authorized for this project were awarded in April 2010. The company operations facilities and the covered hardstand could not be awarded as the award Current Working Estimate (CWE) for the full scope of this project based on contractors' proposals exceeded the Army's authority to award. The scope reduction notification for this project, dated April 5, 2010, indicated that the company operations facilities and covered hardstand were still required as originally requested and authorized. The new Combat Support/Combat Service Support quartermaster units located at Hunter Army Airfield will be negatively impacted if the company operations facilities and the covered hardstand are not constructed. There are no other facilities at the installation that can be used to perform this mission.

Source of Funds: Funds for this increased cost will be provided from the following projects:

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated (\$000)</u>	<u>Current Working Estimate (\$000)</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming (\$000)</u>
Fort Huachuca, AZ AIT Trainee Complex PN 68572*	2008	105,000	98,000	7,000

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Fort Leonard Wood, MO Barracks PN 57191	2007	17,000	16,500	500

PN = Project Number

* This project was awarded on September 25, 2008, with a CWE of \$104,237, 000 (i.e., 99% of the appropriated amount and savings of \$763,000). A Title 10 USC 2853 Cost Reduction Notification was not required at award. The project is currently 98% complete and the funds available for reprogramming include unused contingencies in addition to bid savings.

Bid Expiration Date: February 28, 2011

Military Construction, Army

Reprogramming Request

Installation: Fort Benning, Georgia

Project: Trainee Barracks Complex

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, P.L. 110-181

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	73,000
Previously Reprogrammed	-
Requested Reprogramming	8,000
Total Estimated Cost	81,000

Description: This action will provide the fifth of five barracks and company operations facilities authorized as part of the Trainee Barracks Complex at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Justification: The requirement and authorized scope of this project is for five trainee barracks and company operations facilities, a battalion headquarters, and a dining facility to support the Initial Entry Combat training mission at Fort Benning. All of the facilities authorized for this project were awarded except for one of the barracks and company operations facilities. The fifth facility was not awarded due to market conditions resulting in higher costs for construction materials, labor, and fuel. At the time of award, no additional funds were available to reprogram for this facility. The Army decided it was important to award as much scope as possible to help meet the mission requirement to house and feed the additional companies of initial entry trainees at Fort Benning; however, without the fifth barracks and company operations facilities the full mission requirement will not be met. There are no other facilities at Fort Benning that can be used to perform this mission.

Source of Funds: Bid savings from the following will fund this project.

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated (\$000)</u>	<u>Current Estimate (\$000)</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming (\$000)</u>
Fort Benning, GA Modified Record Fire Range PN 65045	2008	5,800	4,400	1,400

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Fort Benning, GA Simulations Training Center PN 67648	2008	56,000	53,000	3,000
Fort Drum, NY Brigade Complex #1 Phase 1 PN 63775	2007	36,500	33,000	3,500
Fort Campbell, KY Child Development Center PN 63099	2007	5,000	4,900	100
Total				<u>8,000</u>

PN = Project Number

Bid Expiration Date: February 28, 2011

Military Construction, Army

Reprogramming Request

Installation: Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Project: Unit Operations Facilities

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, P.L. 110-181

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	54,000
Previously Reprogrammed	-
Requested Reprogramming	10,700
Total Estimated Cost	64,700

Description: This action will construct the brigade headquarters as authorized for the Grow the Force Combat Support/Combat Service Support units at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Justification: This project was authorized for the construction of company operations facilities, a battalion headquarters, and a brigade headquarters to support the Secretary of Defense's "Grow the Force" (GTF) initiative for the Army. All of the scope except for the brigade headquarters was awarded in September 2008. The brigade headquarters could not be awarded as the award Current Working Estimate (CWE) for the full scope of this project based on contractors' proposals exceeded the Army's authority to award. Proposals for this project were received in the summer of 2008 when market conditions drove costs higher than what was estimated due to the escalation in costs of construction materials, labor, and fuel. While the awarded work represents a complete and useable project, it does not fully meet the Army's mission requirements. The new Combat Support/Combat Service Support units located at Fort Bragg will be negatively impacted if the brigade headquarters is not constructed. There are no other facilities at the installation that can be used to perform the mission.

Source of Funds: Funds for this increased cost will be provided from the following projects:

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated (\$000)</u>	<u>Current Working Estimate (\$000)</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming (\$000)</u>
Fort Jackson, SC Basic Training Complex PN 68734	2008	85,000	81,400	3,600

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Fort Shafter, HI Barracks Complex PN 61882	2008	31,000	28,900	2,100
Fort Lewis, WA Child Development Center PN 63837	2008	10,600	9,500	1,100
Fort Lewis, WA Battlefield Survival Brigade Unit Operations Facilities PN 68845	2008	51,000	48,250	2,750
Fort Carson, CO MP Unit Operations Facilities PN 68830	2008	13,000	11,850	1,150
Total				<u>10,700</u>

PN = Project Number

Bid Expiration Date: March 31, 2011

Military Construction, Army National Guard

Reprogramming Request

Installation: Camp Dawson, West Virginia

Project: Shoot House

Authorization: Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009,
Public Law 110-417

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	1,684
Previously Reprogrammed	0
Requested Reprogramming	936
Total Estimated Cost	2,620

Description: The increase is needed to replace the roof of the existing building within which this project is being constructed. The Shoot House supports the training requirements of the West Virginia Army National Guard by allowing for the small arms familiarization and qualification of personnel training at Camp Dawson. There is no similar facility within the State or available within a reasonable distance (i.e., 2 hours) of Camp Dawson that meets this training requirement.

Justification: The roof replacement of the existing building within which this project is being constructed is necessary to protect the new construction being erected in the building, shoot house, and supporting administrative spaces. The poor condition of the existing roof was fully realized at the time of programming, and its replacement was part of the original scope of the project. Funding was insufficient to cover full replacement in the base bid, and thus, it was bid as an option to the project.

The Shoot House was originally appropriated at \$2.0 million; however, it was reduced to \$1.684 million due to the rescission under Section 130 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of Fiscal Year 2010.

Source of Funds: Bid savings from the following project will fund this requirement:

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated (\$000)</u>	<u>Current Estimate (\$000)</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming (\$000)</u>
Lakehurst, NJ Consolidated Training Facility, Phase II PN 340113 PN = Project Number	2007	20,024	13,391	936

Bid Expiration Date: Not Applicable
Military Construction, Navy
Reprogramming Request

Installation: Naval Air Facility El Centro, California
Project: Land Acquisition, P-260
Authorization: 10 U.S.C. 2663 (d) "Land Acquisition Authorities"

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	-
Below Threshold Reprogramming	-
Requested Reprogramming	1,850
Total Estimated Cost	1,850

Description: The project will acquire two parcels of undeveloped land totaling 2,560 acres within the Target 101 Shade Tree Bombing Range, which is located within a five-minute flight-time from Naval Air Facility (NAF) El Centro. The acquisition includes all rights to the land including mineral and mining rights.

This project provides for the purchase of land currently being leased from private land owners and used in conjunction with other federally controlled lands as Navy bombing ranges. The Navy is seeking to acquire the property through condemnation, vice normal fee simple purchase, due to an inability to reach an agreement with the property owners on a fair market value. A small portion of the property is used for mining clay.

This land will be acquired through condemnation under the authority of 10 USC 2663 (d) "Land Acquisition Authorities," which permits the acquisition of interests in land when the need is urgent. The Secretary of the Navy must determine that this land is needed in the interest of national defense to maintain the operational integrity of NAF El Centro. Appropriations available for military construction may be used for this purpose.

Justification: The Navy entered into a lease for the subject property in 1968. Negotiations with the owners for renewal of the lease ended in 2006. The parcels of land are currently secured under leasehold per a 2007 condemnation action. Due to a recent court order, it is probable that the Navy will be forced to vacate the property and cease training activities at Target 101 unless fee title to the parcels is acquired.

Aircrews use the ranges at NAF El Centro to develop their skills including air-to-ground bombing. Target 101 is the second most used Navy bombing target in the U.S. with an average

of 3,000 sorties per year. The Navy has used this isolated, unencroached, perfect-weather target area since 1968 and has a long-term requirement for its continued, heavy use.

The land identified in this acquisition project is comprised of two parcels of land (52-A and 52-C) that are within the inert bombing range safety zone area. Loss of this target, which represents 30 percent of El Centro's air-to-ground target capacity, would increase the demand on other targets beyond their capacities. The loss of training at Target 101 would result in loss of aircrew training opportunities, thereby significantly affecting squadron operational readiness.

Source of Funds: Bid savings will fund this requirement.

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>(Dollars in Thousands)</u>		
		<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Current Estimate</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming</u>
MCLB ^{vi} Albany, GA Combat Vehicle Warehouse P-925	2008	9,980	5,894	1,850

^{vi} A Title 10 USC 2853 cost variation notification was submitted on September 17, 2009.