

**VOLUME 3, CHAPTER 7: “REPROGRAMMING OF MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
AND FAMILY HOUSING APPROPRIATED FUNDS”**

SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES

Changes are identified in this table and also denoted by [blue font](#).

Substantive revisions are denoted by an asterisk (*) symbol preceding the section, paragraph, table, or figure that includes the revision.

Unless otherwise noted, chapters referenced are contained in this volume.

Hyperlinks are denoted by [bold, italic, blue, and underlined font](#).

The previous version dated [March 2011](#) is archived.

PARAGRAPH	EXPLANATION OF CHANGE/REVISION	PURPOSE
3.2.2.2. (070302.B.2)	Consolidated references to an increase, or decrease, in the reprogramming base due to previously approved congressional reprogramming action.	Clarification
3.2.2.2. (070302.B.3)	Deleted this paragraph number and consolidated relevant information into 070302.B.2 . (see previous explanation).	Clarification
070302.B.10 (deleted)	Deletion. This policy is no longer relevant with respect to current statute Title 10 U.S.C. § 2802 and § 18233(a)(1), wherein military construction projects must be authorized by law before they may be carried out.	Deletion
3.2.3.5. (70302.C.5)	Revised existing policy clarifying when an Obligation Letter is required for reprogramming between Family Housing accounts.	Clarification
3.3 (070303)	Revised title from “When Reprogrammings Shall Not Be Submitted” to “. . . Should Not Be Submitted” to allow for exceptions.	Clarification
070303.A.1 (deleted)	Deleted references to various Military Construction sections in the United States Code that when listed in the context of this paragraph appear to be exceptions to authorization, when in fact they provide authorization.	Clarification
070303.A.2 (deleted)	Deletion. This policy is no longer relevant with respect to current statute, Title 10 U.S.C. §2802 and §18233(a)(1), wherein military construction projects must be authorized by law before they may be carried out.	Deletion
3.7.4.3. (070307.D.3)	Revised policy clarifying that a DD Form 1391 is required if not previously provided to Congress.	Clarification

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CHAPTER 7

**REPROGRAMMING OF MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND FAMILY HOUSING
APPROPRIATED FUNDS**

1.0 GENERAL (0701)

This chapter provides guidance for the preparation of reprogramming proposals for the appropriation of military construction and family housing funds.

2.0 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS (0702)

The congressional subcommittees concerned with the appropriation and authorization of military construction and family housing funds have agreed that, in executing approved programs, some flexibility is required in adjusting approved funding levels to comply with new conditions and to effectively plan programs to support assigned missions. To facilitate the use of this authority and to promote continuity with the subcommittees, the Department agrees to seek approval from the relevant congressional committees. Departmental adjustments or reprogramming measures may be required for a number of reasons including: responding to emergencies; restoring or replacing damaged or destroyed facilities; accommodating unexpected price increases; and implementing specific program provisions provided for by the congressional committees. While supporting DoD Component mission accomplishments, reprogramming measures are intended to ensure that the use of DoD appropriations complies with congressional intent.

3.0 PROCEDURES (0703)

3.1 DoD Approvals (070301)

Proposed military construction and family housing reprogramming actions shall be approved by the OUSD (C). Reprogramming actions shall be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for clearance, as required by OMB Circular No. A-11, [Section 22.3](#), "Clearance of Materials for Congress and the Media". After OUSD(C) approval, they shall then be submitted to the appropriate congressional committees for approval or for notification. Certain reprogramming actions below threshold may be executed on approval of designated officials at the DoD Component level (see subparagraph [070302.C](#)). Generally, the OUSD(C) shall not approve reprogramming actions until compliance with the criteria delineated below has been fully documented by the DoD Components. When the House and Senate Armed Services Committees are to be notified in accordance with Title 10, United States Code, the DoD Component shall provide a copy of the signed and dated notification letter to the DoD Comptroller along with the reprogramming request. Congressional notification letters in accordance with Title 10 must be sent to the four defense oversight committees prior to requesting a reprogramming action.

3.2 Determining Reprogramming Actions Requiring Prior Notification and Approval of Congressional Committees (070302)

The following definitions, procedures, and criteria shall apply.

3.2.1. Reprogramming Base. The specific dollar amount for any project or effort that has been jointly approved for appropriation by the Committees on Appropriations. In instances where a prior approval reprogramming request for a project or effort has been jointly approved by the Committees on Appropriations, the amount approved becomes the new base for any future increase or decrease via below threshold reprogramming actions or prior approval reprogramming requests.

3.2.2. When Prior Approval Reprogramming is Required. Prior approval reprogramming is required for the following:

3.2.2.1. For any increase exceeding 25 percent of the reprogramming base or \$2.0 million, whichever is less, to military construction projects, family housing new construction projects, or family housing improvement projects (exceeding \$2.0 million base value).

3.2.2.2. For any increase exceeding 25 percent of the reprogramming base or \$2.0 million, whichever is less, to a project or effort whose base has been increased, or decreased, by a previously approved congressional reprogramming action.

3.2.2.3. For any increase, regardless of percentage or dollar value, to a project that has been previously reduced in scope by the Congress in acting on the appropriation request.

3.2.2.4. For any emergency construction project to be performed under 10 U.S.C. 2803.

3.2.2.5. For any restoration or replacement of damaged or destroyed facilities to be undertaken with military construction funds under 10 U.S.C. 2854.

3.2.2.6. For any acquisition of interests in land under 10 U.S.C. 2663(d).

3.2.2.7. For any family housing relocation project to be accomplished under 10 U.S.C. 2827.

3.2.2.8. For any project authorized to be accomplished from savings, unless specifically exempted from such requirement by the Committees on Appropriations.

3.2.2.9. To increase the amount appropriated for unspecified minor construction.

3.2.2.10. To increase the amount appropriated for architectural and engineering services and construction design.

3.2.3. When Prior Approval Reprogramming is Not Required. Prior approval reprogramming is not required for the following:

3.2.3.1. When none of the criteria listed above, apply to the project or to the cost increase required.

3.2.3.2. For projects utilizing Environmental Restoration, Defense funds authorized under 10 U.S.C. 2810.

3.2.3.3. For projects less than \$2.0 million within the Family Housing Improvements Program.

3.2.3.4. For decreases to a project or effort in response to “general reductions” imposed by the Congress for savings or other reasons.

3.2.3.5. When a DoD Component takes action to reprogram funds between or among family housing operation and maintenance accounts. However, the committees shall be notified within 30 days of any transfer that exceeds 10 percent of the reprogramming base of the increased account (cumulative within a fiscal year). [This action shall be documented in an approved Obligation Authority letter prior to notification of the committees of the implemented transfers.](#)

3.2.3.6. When the cost increase necessitating a reprogramming is due solely to final settlement of a contractor’s claim (Senate Report 100-200).

3.2.3.7. For any project being completed with expired funds. Cost increases are only allowable for valid upward price adjustments, which exclude any work not in the scope of the original contract (Senate Report 100-200).

3.2.3.8. For Reserve Component projects when the revised cost does not exceed \$400,000. Reprogramming action may be taken 21 days after the appropriate committees receive notification and do not object (Senate Report 100-200).

3.3 When Reprogrammings [Should](#) Not Be Submitted (070303)

Requests for reprogrammings shall not be submitted by DoD Components when any of the following conditions exist.

3.3.1. For any project or effort that has not been authorized.

3.3.2. For any project or effort that, for any reason, has been denied specifically by the Congress, as indicated by report language or by the elimination of funds, unless all pertinent report language specifically states that a subsequent reprogramming shall be required or entertained, or when the requirement qualifies as an emergency, as defined in 10 U.S.C. 2803.

3.3.3. To initiate programs of major scope or base realignment actions, when such larger efforts have not been authorized by the Congress.

3.4 Split-Year Funding Authority (070304)

As provided for by Conference Report 100-912, the committees have agreed to allow split-year funding for military construction and family housing construction projects. Split-year funding occurs when a project is financed by funds from more than one program year (appropriation). Resources made available for split-year funding shall remain in the original appropriation for fund control and accounting purposes. Projects that have been funded in phases by the Congress are not considered split-year funded.

3.5 Appeals to Congressional Committees (070305)

An unfavorable congressional committee decision on a reprogramming action may be appealed by the OUSD(C). Any appeal on a reprogramming action taken after it is submitted to the congressional committees is subject to the same review and approval procedures as the original reprogramming request.

3.6 Explanatory Statements (070306)

Each proposed reprogramming action shall be fully justified and documented using the guidance in paragraph 0704. The required format should be closely followed to prevent unnecessary delays in processing.

3.7 Administrative Processing Instructions (070307)

3.7.1. Reprogrammings normally shall be forwarded monthly to the Appropriation Committees. If exceptions to this monthly processing schedule are required, such as year-end reprogrammings, the DoD Components shall be notified separately. DoD Component reprogramming points of contact are responsible for ensuring that all required documentation has been provided to the OUSD(C), Program and Financial Control (Room 3C689) and the Military Personnel and Construction Directorate (Room 3C654), Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1100, by the 5th workday of the month. Any actions received after the 5th workday will be held for the next month's processing.

3.7.2. Urgent reprogramming requests warranting action in advance of the next regular cycle shall be evaluated and processed on a case-by-case basis. However, such out-of-cycle requests are expected to be extremely rare. Reprogramming requests must be sent by OUSD(C) to the Congress at least one month prior to the bid expiration date. Components must consider the 5th workday cut-off date when determining when a request should be forwarded to OUSD(C).

Reprogramming requests will not be accepted if there is insufficient time to review and send to Congress one month prior to the bid expiration date.

3.7.3. All sources should reflect the title, location and amount in the Authorization Act and be researched to ensure the requests will not be denied.

3.7.4. Documentation: [Military construction and family housing](#) reprogramming actions should be submitted via email to OUSDC (P&FC). The email should include the following:

3.7.4.1. A “.pdf” transmittal memorandum signed by an appropriate DoD Component official and supported by the proposed reprogramming justification [document \(MS Word\)](#) and relevant supporting material, such as, a certification by the Component’s Comptrollers that fund sources are available and the Component’s fiscal counsel has reviewed and has no fiscal objection, 10 USC 2853 notifications, and DD Form 1391 (if applicable).

3.7.4.2. This transmittal memorandum must state specifically that the [reprogramming](#) either does or does not require a cost variation notification in accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2853. If the [reprogramming](#) requires a section 2853 notification, a signed and dated copy of the notification also should be included in the required documentation. This notification letter must be transmitted to the Congress by the DoD Component prior to submission of the [reprogramming](#) request to OUSD(C). The [reprogramming](#) shall be provided in the specified format and 12-[point](#) typeface and letter-quality format.

3.7.4.3. The top page(s) should be the [reprogramming](#) request (installation, project, authorization, et al.) (see paragraph [0704](#)). Supplementary narrative information, if required, should be attached next. A DD Form 1391, FY 19XX “Military Construction Project Data,” is required if [not previously provided to Congress](#). Generally, this shall be restricted to situations in which the Military Service Secretary is exercising the emergency provisions of 10 U.S.C. 2803; the DoD Component is citing section 2854 to replace a damaged or destroyed facility; a project is being funded from savings; or a project has been added by the Congress without the benefit of official records reflecting the scope of the project involved (i.e., without a DD Form 1391).

3.7.4.4. Submissions that do not adequately justify the requirement or are missing documentation will be returned. When Components fail to correct a deficiency within two business days, the action may be returned and the Component will be required to resubmit their reprogramming request.

4.0 REPROGRAMMING REQUEST FORMAT (0704)*Bid Expiration Date:****Military Construction or Military Family Housing Construction, (Enter DoD Component)****Reprogramming Request****Installation:** Enter installation or base name, and location, consistent with the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA).**Project:** Enter project or program title consistent with the NDAA, if the project or program is in the funded program. If not previously authorized, enter the new emergency project title.**Authorization:** Reflect the exact title of the NDAA, which includes the fiscal year and public law. If not previously authorized, reflect the appropriate sections of the Title 10, United States Code Authority for emergency or replacement projects.**Estimated Cost (\$000):****Previously Appropriated****Previously Reprogrammed****Requested Reprogramming****Total Estimated Costs****Description:** Give a brief description of the project and requirement, similar to the 1391 project description. If appropriate, indicate any significant changes to scope.**Justification:** Be clear, succinct, and complete in describing the need for the Reprogramming. If appropriate, summarize the chronology of events leading to the request, such as when the request for the proposal was announced and when bids were received. Include other relevant information, such as the contracting strategy and/or type of contract, and impact if funding was not to be made available, as well as what is driving the increase in cost (such as market conditions, inflation, full prices).**Source of Funds:** Explain why the funds are no longer required for the purpose originally appropriated. With the exception of BRAC, funds may not be "borrowed" from a project temporarily, with the intention of later restoring a portion of the amount reprogrammed.

Location & Project*	Fiscal Year	Amount Appropriated (\$000)**	Current Working Estimate (\$000)	Proposed Reprogramming (\$000)
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Use Tabs to ensure that all words and numbers are properly aligned.

*Project title and location as stated in the NDAA.

**Amount as reflected in the Appropriation Act.