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The Honorable Chet Edwards
Chairman
Subcommittee on Military Construction,
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Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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

Installation: Kandahar, Afghanistan

Project: Rotary Wing Parking

Authorization: Section 2803, Title 10, United States Code

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	-
Previously Reprogrammed	-
Requested Reprogramming	5,000
Total Estimated Cost	5,000

Description: This project constructs a Rotary Wing Parking Apron to adequately support special operations aircraft operating from Kandahar Airfield (KAF). Primary facilities include aircraft parking pads with tie-downs, grounding points and protective barriers. Supporting facilities include utilities, site improvements, and antiterrorism measures.

Justification: This project has not been authorized and appropriated. The Secretary of the Army, however, has determined that this KAF project is vital to the protection and safety of service members operating in Kandahar and this project cannot be deferred for inclusion in the next Military Construction Authorization Act. As indicated in the March 2, 2009 Title 10 Section 2803 notification, a Rotary Wing Parking Apron is required to support special operations forces (SOF) at KAF instead of Ghazni where this project was appropriated and authorized.

Dedicated ramp space is required to park and maintain SOF aircraft. Current space limitations restrict the relocation of special operation forces aircraft to KAF ultimately impacting the execution of time-sensitive, strategically critical operations. This facility will support the stationing of eight SOF aircraft providing a safe environment for helicopter pilots, ground crews and other personnel affiliated with the operation and maintenance of SOF aircraft.

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

(Dollars in Thousands)				
<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Current Estimate</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming</u>
Ghazni, Afghanistan /Rotary Wing Parking PN 70028	2008	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000

Bid Expiration Date: June 1, 2009
Military Construction, Army
Reprogramming Request

Installation: Anniston Army Depot, Alabama

Project: Industrial Wastewater Treatment Plant (IWTP), PN 027259

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	26,000
Previously Reprogrammed	-
Requested Reprogramming	13,400
Total Estimated Cost	39,400

Description: This project upgrades the industrial wastewater treatment plant (IWTP), including pre-treatment facilities, direct discharge facilities, an administrative facility, and associated supporting facilities. The upgraded facility will allow for increased capacity and efficiency while meeting environmental compliance standards.

Justification: Due to limited competition and a high bid climate during the construction solicitation and contract award process, the full scope of the project could not be awarded due to funding limitations. The facility, as currently upgraded, is functioning, but does not comply with all environmental regulations and many components are manpower intensive and costly to operate. Environmental fines, if assessed, could cost \$25,000 per day per occurrence, and possibly result in a "do not discharge" order—effectively closing this vital installation. The additional \$13.4 million will ensure that all components of the 800 KG IWTP are replaced, resulting in adequate storage capacity, the ability to pre-treat for chrome and cyanide, and increasing plant efficiency and effectiveness.

Source of Funds: Funds will be provided from the following canceled project.

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	(Dollars in Thousands)		
		<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Current Estimate</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming</u>
Fort Benning /Unit Maintenance Facility PN 69406	2009	\$27,000	\$0	\$13,400

Bid Expiration Date: June 16, 2009

Military Construction, Army

Reprogramming Request

Installation: Fort Benning, Georgia

Project: Reception Station, Phase 1, PN 64462

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	51,000
Previously Reprogrammed	-
Requested Reprogramming	14,850
Total Estimated Cost	65,850

Description: The Reception Station Phase I project original scope constructs a reception station, processing center, dining facility, general purpose storage building and a lighted multi-purpose athletic field with a quarter-mile running track and associated physical training area. Supporting activities include site preparation, water, sanitary sewer, natural gas connections, underground electrical distribution, grading, removal and replacement of unsuitable soil, landscaping with irrigation, paving, walks, additions to the storm drainage system, wetlands mitigation and information systems.

Justification: As a result of higher-than-anticipated bids tied to market conditions and increased material costs, the dining facility could not be awarded within the appropriated amount. The dining facility, an integral component of this project, is required to provide adequate food service for trainees entering the Army and being processed by the 30th AG Battalion (Reception). The dining facilities in the vicinity of this new reception station are inadequate. Without proper food service, the new reception facility will not be able to function as required to support new trainees and its mission will be severely impacted.

Source of Funds: A canceled Unit Maintenance Facility project and bid savings on the Automotive Technology Evaluation Facility, Ph 1 project will fund this requirement.

(Dollars in Thousands)

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Fort Benning, GA /Unit Maintenance Facility PN 69406	2009	\$27,000	-	\$11,550
Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD Automotive Technology Evaluation Facility, Ph 1 PN 17569	2008	\$12,200	\$8,900	\$3,300

Bid Expiration Date: June 23, 2009
Military Construction, Army
Reprogramming Request

Installation: Fort Benning, Georgia

Project: Digital Multipurpose Range Complex, PN 040525

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated	30,000
Below Threshold Reprogramming	2,000
Final Settlement Contract Claim	2,648
Requested Reprogramming	3,350
Total Estimated Cost	37,998

Description: The Digital Multipurpose Range Complex (DMRC) is a 2,600 acre live-fire range for engagement training of diverse combat platforms. This range is a standard-design three-lane complex with crossover trails. The new range provides stationary infantry targets, evasive capable moving armor targets, stationary armor targets, qualification trails and defilade positions. All automated targets are remote controlled. New support facilities for the range include a Range Operation Control Building, two General Instruction Buildings, an Ammunition Breakdown Building, Covered Bleachers, Ammunition Loading Dock, Covered Mess, Central Maintenance and After Action Review Buildings, Tower Latrines, Well House, Bivouac Pads and a Helicopter Landing Area.

Justification: This reprogramming action provides \$3.350 million to complete the DMRC, which incurred unforeseen weather-related damage during construction in calendar year 2008. Several significant rainfall events disturbed areas that had not achieved complete stabilization, manifesting themselves as water channeling in and around project trails, targets, and defilades. Extreme weather conditions overwhelmed current storm water management features creating 15 separate conditions that must be corrected to address the concerns expressed by the State of Georgia Environmental Protection Division. This action reprograms expired funds to perform this within-scope rework of the erosion events resulting in a fully usable DMRC for training and qualifying the 3rd Brigade of the 3rd Infantry DIV (M) on their M1 Tanks and M2 Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

Source of Funds: The funds required will be provided from the following canceled project.

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		<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Current Estimate</u>	<u>Proposed Reprogramming</u>
Balad, Iraq / Base Camp Water Treatment PN 60930	2004	\$9,800	\$2,000	\$3,350