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2401 GENERAL

240101. Overview

This chapter prescribes Department of Defense (DoD) accounting policy for real property, which is a subset of General Property, Plant, and Equipment (general PP&E). The Primary Economic Beneficiary accounting policy described in this chapter will be replaced effective October 1, 2019 by a new accounting policy based on Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) Technical Release (TR) 2017-2, “Assigning Assets to Component Reporting Entities.”

A. Description. General PP&E, which includes real property, consists of tangible assets that:

1. Have an estimated useful life of two years or more;
2. Are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations; and
3. Are acquired or constructed with the intention of being used or being available for use by the entity.

B. Characteristics of Real Property. Real Property items are used in providing goods or services, or support the mission of the entity, and typically have one or more of these characteristics:

1. The item could be used for alternative purposes (e.g., by other DoD or federal programs, state or local governments, or nongovernmental entities), but it is used to produce goods or services, or to support the mission of the entity;
2. The item is used in business-type activities which are defined as a significantly self-sustaining activity which finances its continuing cycle of operations through collection of exchange revenue; and/or
3. The item is used by entities in activities whose costs can be compared to those of other entities performing similar activities (e.g., federal hospital services in comparison to commercial hospitals).

C. Inclusions. Real property also includes:

1. Items acquired through capital leases, including leasehold improvements (see Chapter 26 for a discussion of accounting for real property acquired through leases);
2. **Items** under the accountability of the reporting DoD Component even though it may be in the possession of others (e.g., state and local governments, colleges and universities, or contractors);

3. Land, other than Stewardship Land that was specifically acquired for, or in connection with other general PP&E. However, a DoD Component may elect to implement the provisions of Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards (SFFAS) 50, “Alternative Methods for Establishing Opening Balances,” paragraph 13, to exclude land from the opening balance of general PP&E and expense future land acquisitions after establishment of the opening balance as described in subparagraph 240101.D. In this instance, there is no amount on the Balance Sheet for the land. However, a reference on the balance sheet should be made to the related required disclosure which includes the number of acres held at the beginning of each reporting period, the number of acres added during the reporting period, the number of acres disposed of during the period, and the number of acres held at the end of each reporting period; and

4. Land rights, which are interests and privileges held by a DoD Component in land owned by others, such as leaseholds, easements, water and water power rights, diversion rights, submersion rights, rights-of-way, mineral rights and other like interests in land. However, a DoD Component may elect to implement the provisions of SFFAS 50, paragraph 13, to exclude land rights from the opening balance of general PP&E and expense future land rights acquisitions after establishment of the opening balance as described in subparagraph 240101.D. In this instance, there is no amount on the Balance Sheet for the land rights; only note disclosure of the acres associated with the land rights is required.

D. **SFFAS 50.** This Standard applies to a reporting DoD Component that is presenting financial statements, or one or more line items in the financial statements, following generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) promulgated by FASAB either (1) for the first time or (2) after a period during which existing systems could not provide the information necessary for producing such GAAP based financial statements without use of the alternative methods for opening balances set out in SFFAS 50. A reporting DoD Component meeting either one of these criteria may elect to apply the alternative valuation method described in SFFAS 50, including the election to record a zero value for land and land rights. However, if the reporting DoD Component has previously undergone a financial statement audit and received an unmodified audit opinion, they would not meet either of these two criteria and therefore would not be able to elect this alternative valuation method.

E. **Examples.** Real property examples include:

1. Real property including land, land rights, and facilities (includes buildings, structures, and linear structures) *(addressed in this chapter;)*

2. Construction-in-progress (CIP) *(addressed in this chapter;)*

3. Assets under capital lease *(addressed in Chapter 26;)* and
4. Leasehold improvements (addressed in this chapter).

F. Exclusions. Real property excludes items:

1. In which the DoD has a reversionary interest (for example, the DoD sometimes retains an interest in real property acquired with grant money in the event that the recipient no longer uses the real property in the activity for which the grant was originally provided and the real property reverts to the DoD); and

2. Classified as non-Multi-Use Heritage Assets or Stewardship Land (as described in Chapter 28).

240102. Purpose

This chapter prescribes DoD accounting policy for real property, a subset of general PP&E. The applicable general ledger accounts are listed in the United States Standard General Ledger (USSGL) contained in Volume 1, Chapter 7, and the accounting entries for these accounts are specified in the DoD USSGL Transaction Library. Unless otherwise stated, this chapter is applicable to all DoD Components, both General Fund and Working Capital Fund (WCF) activities.

240103. Authoritative Guidance

The accounting policy and related requirements prescribed by this chapter are in accordance with the applicable provisions of:


B. FASAB SFFAC 7, “Measurement of the Elements of Accrual-Basis Financial Statements in Periods After Initial Recording”;

C. FASAB SFFAS 1, “Accounting for Selected Assets and Liabilities”;

D. FASAB SFFAS 4, “Managerial Cost Accounting Standards and Concepts”;

E. FASAB SFFAS 6, “Accounting for Property, Plant, and Equipment”;

F. FASAB SFFAS 23, “Eliminating the Category National Defense Property, Plant, and Equipment”;

G. FASAB SFFAS 29, “Heritage Assets and Stewardship Land”;


J. FASAB SFFAS 44, “Accounting For Impairment of General Property, Plant, and Equipment Remaining In Use”; 


L. FASAB SFFAS 55, “Amending Inter-entity Cost Provisions”; 


N. FASAB TR 14, “Implementation Guidance on the Accounting for the Disposal of General Property, Plant & Equipment”; 


P. FASAB TR 17, “Conforming Amendments to Technical Releases for SFFAS 50, Establishing Opening Balances for General Property, Plant, and Equipment”; 

Q. FASAB TR 18, “Implementation Guidance for Establishing Opening Balances”; 


S. FASAB Staff Implementation Guidance 6.1, “Clarification of Paragraphs 40 – 41 of SFFAS 6, Accounting for Property, Plant, and Equipment, as Amended”; 


U. DoD Directive (DoDD) 5136.13, “Defense Health Agency (DHA)”;

V. DoDD 4165.06, “Real Property”;
2402 ACCOUNTING FOR REAL PROPERTY

240201. Definitions

A. Facility. A facility is a building, structure, or linear structure whose footprint extends to an imaginary line surrounding a facility at a distance of five feet from the foundation that, barring specific direction to the contrary such as a utility privatization agreement, denotes what is included in the basic record for the facility (e.g., landscaping, sidewalks, and utility connections). This imaginary line is commonly referred to as the “5-foot line.” A facility will have a Real Property Unique Identifier (RPUID) received from the Data Analytics & Integration Support platform which is entered into an Accountable Property System of Record (APSR) as a unique real property record.

B. Installation Host. Installation Host is a term used by the DoD to describe the Military Service or Washington Headquarter Services (WHS) on whose installation a real property asset is located. An Installation Host may be either a General Fund or a WCF operation.

C. Materiality. Materiality, as defined by the SFFAS 1, is the degree to which an item's omission or misstatement in a financial statement makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would have been changed or influenced by the omission or the misstatement.
D. **Primary Economic Beneficiary.** The “Primary Economic Beneficiary” of a real property asset is the DoD Component using 90 percent or more of the physical capacity of a real property asset under the legal jurisdiction of the Military Department or WHS to conduct its operations and carry out its programs and mission.

1. The 90 percent is applied to the occupied square feet, net of incidental commercial retail tenants. For example, if a building has 100,000 square feet of space, and 10,000 square feet was occupied by a retail coffee shop and a snack bar/eatery, for purposes of this calculation, the 90 percent would be applied to 90,000 square feet (100,000 – 10,000). In addition, there may be instances where the DoD Component has the right to use 90 percent of the space in the building, structure or linear structure but because of their current operational requirements do not use all of the 90 percent. If they have the right to use the 90 percent or more of the space, and the right to reduce their space, and the right to decide to let other tenants in to use the excess space, they would still meet the criteria of the Primary Economic Beneficiary on the basis of their control. This change in current operational requirements would not be anticipated to be of a long term duration and utilization of 90 percent as the Primary Economic Beneficiary of the space would commence/resume within a reasonable period of time.

2. Pursuant to DoDD 5136.13, the mission of the National Capital Region (NCR) DHA is to manage an integrated health care delivery system and exercise authority, direction and control over assigned medical treatment facilities within the NCR. Therefore, irrespective of which DoD Component provides personnel resources to render services at these medical treatment facilities in the NCR, DHA would meet the criteria of the Primary Economic Beneficiary. In addition, DHA is responsible for programming, budgeting and executing the sustainment requirements for the medical treatment facilities within the NCR. DHA will therefore be the DoD Component to recognize the medical treatment facilities in the NCR for financial reporting purposes.

E. **Real Property.** Real property assets consist of buildings, structures, linear structures (collectively called facilities), land, and land rights.

1. A building is a roofed and floored facility enclosed by exterior walls and consisting of one or more levels that is suitable for single or multiple functions and that protects human beings and their properties from direct harsh effects of weather such as rain, wind, sun and other natural factors.

2. A structure is a facility, other than a building or linear structure that is constructed on or in the land.

3. A linear structure is a facility whose function requires that it traverse land (e.g., runway, road, rail line, pipeline, fence, pavement, electrical distribution line) or is otherwise managed or reported by a linear unit of measure at the category code (commonly known as CATCODEs) level.

4. Land is defined as a portion of the earth’s surface distinguishable by boundaries. Land must be accountable by parcel starting when the parcel was transferred into a
Military Department’s or WHS’ custody and control. Excluded from the definition are natural resources (e.g., depletable resources, such as mineral deposits and petroleum, renewable resources such as timber and the outer continental shelf resources) related to land.

5. A land right is an interest and privilege held by DoD or a DoD Component in land owned by others, such as leaseholds, easements, water and water power rights, diversion rights, submersion rights, rights-of-way, mineral rights and other like interests in land.

240202. Relevant USSGL Accounts

A. Land and Land Rights (USSGL 171100). The amount of identifiable cost of land and land rights of unlimited duration acquired for or in connection with general PP&E used in general operations and permanent improvements are recorded in this account.

B. Construction-in-Progress (USSGL 172000). The Construction-in-Progress (CIP) account is used to accumulate the costs of new construction of general PP&E (except for internal use software) and capital improvements while the asset is under construction. CIP accounts include all costs (e.g., direct labor, direct material, supervision, inspection and overhead) incurred in construction. Upon completion, these costs will be transferred to the appropriate general PP&E account.

C. Buildings, Improvements, and Renovations (USSGL 173000). The Buildings, Improvements, and Renovations account is used to record the cost or appraised value of DoD owned buildings acquired and improvement to them which are used in providing DoD services or goods. This account also includes the cost of renovation, improvement, or restoration of multi-use heritage assets classified as buildings after transfer from the CIP account.

D. Accumulated Depreciation on Buildings, Improvements, and Renovations (USSGL 173900). The Accumulated Depreciation on Buildings, Improvements, and Renovations account is used to record the amount of accumulated depreciation charged to expense for assets and improvements recorded in the USSGL 173000 account.

E. Other Structures and Facilities (USSGL 174000). The Other Structures and Facilities account is used to record the cost or appraised value of DoD-owned structures and linear structures and improvements to them which are used in providing DoD services or goods. This account also includes the cost of renovation, improvement, or restoration of multi-use heritage assets classified as structures or linear structures after transfer from the CIP account.

F. Accumulated Depreciation on Other Structures and Facilities (USSGL 174900). The Accumulated Depreciation on Other Structures and Facilities account is used to record the amount of accumulated depreciation charged to expense for assets and improvements recorded in the USSGL 174000 account.

G. General Property, Plant, and Equipment Permanently Removed but Not Yet Disposed (USSGL 199500). The General Property, Plant, and Equipment Permanently Removed but Not Yet Disposed account is used to record the value of general PP&E assets which have been
permanently removed from service. Upon permanent removal from service, general PP&E assets must be recorded at their expected net realizable value (NRV) and must cease to be depreciated. See paragraph 240208 for guidance on reporting general PP&E assets which have been permanently removed from service.

H. **Financing Sources Transferred In Without Reimbursement (USSGL 572000).** The amount determined to increase the financing source of a reporting Federal entity that occurs as a result of an asset being transferred in. The amount of the asset is recorded at book value of the transferring Federal entity.

I. **Financing Sources Transferred Out Without Reimbursement (USSGL 573000).** The amount determined to decrease the financing source of a reporting Federal entity that occurs as a result of an asset being transferred out. The amount of the asset is recorded at book value as of the transfer date.

J. **Depreciation, Amortization and Depletion (USSGL 671000).** The expense recognized by the process of allocating costs of an asset (tangible or intangible) over the period of time benefited or the asset’s useful life is recorded in this account.

240203. **Valuation of Acquisitions and Transfers**

A. **Recorded Cost.** When acquiring a real property asset, the recorded cost must be recognized in accordance with paragraph 240204. The recorded cost of a real property asset is the basis for computing depreciation. The recorded cost must include all amounts paid to bring the real property asset to its form and location suitable for its intended use. This subparagraph defines and prescribes the use of acquisition cost, net book value (NBV), fair value, and ancillary cost when recording the cost of newly acquired real property assets. The funding source (e.g., appropriation and WCFs) is not a factor in determining whether or not an item should be capitalized.

1. **Acquisition Cost.** For purposes of this chapter, acquisition cost refers to the original purchase or construction cost, net of (less) any purchase discounts. Purchase discounts lost and late payment interest expenses must not be included as a cost of the asset; rather, such costs must be recognized as operating expenses. Although the measurement basis for valuing real property remains historical cost, DoD Components should use the Plant Replacement Value as the methodology for calculating deemed cost to establish opening balances for real property as described in SFFAS 6 as amended by SFFAS 50 (see Annex 5 for additional guidance on establishing opening balances using deemed cost).

2. **NBV.** NBV is the recorded cost of a real property asset, less its accumulated depreciation.

3. **Fair Value.** Fair value is the amount at which an asset or liability could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.
4. **Ancillary Cost.** Ancillary costs are included in the recorded cost in addition to the acquisition cost of the asset. These costs are identifiable and necessary to bring the asset to its form and location suitable for its intended use including other direct and indirect costs. Examples include:

   a. Labor and other direct or indirect production costs (for assets produced or constructed);

   b. Engineering, architectural, and other outside services for designs, plans, specifications, and surveys after funding and design authorization;

   c. Acquisition and preparation costs of buildings and other facilities;

   d. An appropriate share of the cost of the equipment used in construction work;

   e. Fixed equipment and related installation costs required for activities in a building or facility;

   f. **Allowable** direct costs of inspection, supervision, and administration of construction contracts and construction work;

   g. Legal and recording fees and damage claims;

   h. Fair value of facilities and installed equipment donated to DoD;

   i. Interest paid directly to providers of goods or services related to the acquisition or construction (not including late payment interest penalties).

B. **Method of Acquisition or Transfer Determines Recorded Cost**

1. **Purchased Real Property.** The cost to be recorded for real property assets acquired by purchase from a third party (private, commercial, or state or local government) is its purchase contract cost plus applicable ancillary costs. Examples of ancillary costs are included in subparagraph 240203.A.4. For purposes of this guidance, purchase includes procurements of real property by cash, check, or installment or progress payments on contracts or purchase agreements.

2. **Constructed Real Property.** The cost to be recorded for constructed real property asset is the sum of all the costs incurred to bring the real property asset(s) to a form and condition suitable for its intended use. These costs include the costs of project design and actual construction such as labor, materials, and overhead costs (see Annex 1 for a list and description of the costs to be accumulated for constructed assets). Note that preliminary planning and design costs accumulated prior to funding and design authorization must be expensed and not
be captured as part of the recorded cost of constructed assets. The cost of real property under construction must be recognized in accordance with the CIP guidance prescribed in subparagraph 240204.E.

3. **Donated Real Property.** The cost to be recorded for real property received through donation, execution of a will, or judicial process excluding forfeiture must be its estimated fair value at the time received by the DoD and any costs incurred by the DoD to bring the asset into service (e.g., legal fees).

4. **Exchanged Real Property.** The cost to be recorded for real property acquired through exchange between the DoD and a nonfederal entity is the fair value of the consideration surrendered at the time of exchange. If the fair value of the real property acquired is more readily determinable than that of the consideration surrendered, the cost will be the fair value of the real property acquired. If neither fair value can be determined, the cost of the real property acquired will be the cost recorded for the consideration surrendered, net of any accumulated depreciation/amortization. Any difference between the net recorded amount of the consideration surrendered and the cost of the real property acquired must be recognized as a gain or loss. In the event that additional cash consideration is included in the exchange, the cost of real property acquired will be increased by the amount of cash consideration surrendered or decreased by the amount of cash consideration received. If the DoD Component enters into an exchange in which the fair value of the real property acquired is less than that of the consideration surrendered, the real property acquired will be recognized at the amount of consideration surrendered, as described previously and subsequently reduced to its fair value. A loss must be recognized in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of consideration surrendered for the real property acquired and its fair value. This guidance on exchanges applies only to exchanges between a DoD Component and a nonfederal entity. Exchanges between a DoD Component and another DoD Component or federal agency must be accounted for as a transfer.

5. **Capital Leases.** The recorded cost of real property acquired under a capital lease is the present value of the rental and other minimum lease payments during the lease term, excluding that portion of the payments representing executory costs (e.g., insurance, maintenance and taxes) to be paid by the lessor. The present value is the value of future cash flows (e.g., lease payments) discounted to the present at a certain interest rate (such as the reporting entity’s cost of capital), assuming compound interest. However, if the amount so determined exceeds the fair value of the leased property at the inception of the lease, the amount recorded will be the fair value. If the portion of minimum lease payments representing executory costs is not determinable from the lease provisions, the amount should be estimated.

6. **Seized and Forfeited Real Property.** The cost recorded for real property acquired through seizure or forfeiture is its fair value, less an allowance for any liens or claims from a third party.

7. **Vested and Seized Property During Contingency Operations.** See Volume 12, Chapter 29, for discussion of vested and seized property during times of contingency operations.
8. **Transferred Real Property from a Non-DoD Federal Agency to DoD.** The cost recorded for real property transferred from a non-DoD Federal agency to a DoD Component is the cost recorded on the transferring entity’s books for the real property, net of any accumulated depreciation/amortization. If the receiving DoD Component cannot reasonably ascertain those amounts, the cost of the asset will be its fair value at the time of transfer.

9. **Transfer of Capitalized Real Property between DoD Components.** DoD Components must adhere to the following:

   a. The cost recorded for real property transferred from one DoD Component to another DoD Component shall be the gross cost recorded net of accumulated depreciation/amortization on the transferring DoD Component’s books. The DoD Component transferring the real property is responsible for providing the gross cost net of accumulated depreciation/amortization of the asset being transferred to the DoD Component receiving the transfer. Both parties must agree to the transfer and the agreement must be documented using the appropriate documentation. Each DoD Component has execution responsibility to ensure that requisite tasks are being completed in a timely manner for all transfers.

   b. When completing a transfer, the transferring DoD Component, is required to provide financial reporting information to the receiving DoD Component whenever the asset is transferred throughout the asset lifecycle. When transfers are implemented, supporting documentation which includes financial reporting information, trading partner information, and associated data elements must be provided. These data elements include, but are not limited to, Name, RPUID, Operational Status Code, Acquisition Original Recorded Cost Amount and Capital Improvement Recorded Cost Amount (for all capitalized improvements), Placed in Service Date, Capital Improvement Placed in Service Date (for all capitalized improvements), Facility Total Accumulated Depreciation Amount, Capital Improvement Estimated Useful Life Year Quantity, Facility Estimated Useful Life Quantity, Facility Estimated Useful Life Adjustment Quantity. If this information is not available, the receiving and transferring entities must develop and document an estimate to support the financial transfer of the asset. See Volume 12, Chapter 14, for further policy on transfers of DoD real property between Military Departments.

   c. Within DoD Components, there are different capitalization thresholds. For transferred real property between DoD Components if an asset was capitalized at acquisition, it will continue to be capitalized and depreciated after transfer regardless of the new financial reporting entity’s capitalization threshold. If an asset was expensed at acquisition, it will not be capitalized and depreciated after transfer to the new financial reporting entity, even if the new financial reporting entity has a lower capitalization threshold than the original entity that acquired the asset. The transferring DoD Component will remove the transferred real property from its APSR and the receiving DoD Component will include the item in its APSR as accountable real property.
10. Joint Venture Type Arrangements. Joint venture type arrangements should be accounted for as follows:

a. There may be situations where a DoD Component jointly funds the acquisition or construction of real property with a Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentality (NAFI). As defined in DoDI 1015.15, a NAFI is a DoD organizational and fiscal entity that is supported in whole or in part by nonappropriated funds (NAFs). It acts in its own name to provide or assist Secretaries of Military Departments in providing programs for DoD personnel. It is not incorporated under the laws of any State or the District of Columbia, but has the legal status of an instrumentality of the U.S. Under current GAAP, NAFI entities are not included in the DoD consolidated financial statements. An example of a NAFI would be an Armed Services Exchange.

b. Where a DoD Component jointly funds the acquisition or construction of real property with a NAFI, the DoD Component will, assuming the amount meets the capitalization threshold in effect at the time of the acquisition, record the real property on its Balance Sheet and report it in its financial statements in the amount of its share of funding. For example, if a DoD Component and a NAFI each fund $10 million in the acquisition of a real property asset with a total of 50,000 square feet (with each acquiring 25,000 square feet); the DoD Component would record the real property at $10 million. For purposes of applying the guidance in this chapter for recording and reporting real property assets, the 25,000 square feet of the facility funded by the DoD Component equates to 100 percent. Subsequent to the acquisition, if another DoD Component (other than the DoD Component providing the acquisition funding) uses 90 percent or more of the 25,000 square feet and is responsible for sustainment requirements for that space, that DoD Component would have financial reporting responsibility for the real property asset under this guidance.

C. Documentation. When recording the acquisition of a real property asset in the APSR and/or accounting system, the asset must be assigned a dollar value (i.e., recorded cost) as detailed in this chapter. The dollar value must be supported by appropriate documentation. A complete discussion of supporting documentation can be found at paragraph 240302. To establish proper financial control when acquiring real property from another DoD Component or Federal agency, the acquiring DoD Component must request from the transferring DoD Component or other Federal agency, the necessary source information and financial transfer documents. Such information and documents must include unique identifier(s) for the asset(s); location; original acquisition cost(s); cost of any improvements; the date the asset was constructed, or acquired; the estimated useful life; the amount of accumulated depreciation; the condition; and other relevant information linked to that asset. If this information is not available, the receiving and transferring entities must develop and document an estimate to support the financial transfer of the asset. See Volume 12, Chapter 14 and DoDI 4165.70 for further policy on transfers of DoD real property between Military Departments.
240204. Recognition

All real property assets acquired by DoD Components must be recognized for accountability and financially reported as required by this chapter. Recognition requires the appropriate accounting treatment (expensed or capitalized) and the reporting of capitalized amounts and accumulated depreciation/amortization on the appropriate DoD Component’s financial statements.

A. Recognition Responsibility. The DoD Component which derives the Primary Economic Benefit from utilization of the real property asset in the achievement of the DoD Component’s mission and who is also responsible for (i) programming, (ii) budgeting, and (iii) executing directly or through reimbursement the sustainment requirement for the real property asset is the DoD Component that must recognize the asset for financial reporting purposes (see Annex 2).

1. DoD has defined the Primary Economic Beneficiary of a real property asset as the DoD Component using 90 percent or more of the physical capacity of a real property asset to conduct its operations and carry out its programs and mission.

a. If one DoD Component (other than the acquiring DoD Component) is the Primary Economic Beneficiary and has responsibility for asset’s sustainment requirements then:

   (1) The acquiring DoD Component will no longer report the real property on its financial statements;

   (2) The acquiring DoD Component will record (in their accounting system from which their financial statements are prepared) a transfer out of the real property recorded cost and accumulated depreciation to the DoD Component that is the Primary Economic Beneficiary and who has responsibility for the asset’s sustainment requirements. The transfer should include the amounts for the total acquisition cost and the separate accumulated depreciation recorded for the full book value of the real property (i.e., 100 percent without reduction for any incidental commercial retail tenants as described in subparagraph 240201.D.1);

   (3) The DoD Component that is the Primary Economic Beneficiary and who has responsibility for asset’s sustainment requirements will record (in their accounting system from which their financial statements are prepared) the total acquisition cost of the real property and the associated accumulated depreciation as a transfer in. The Primary Economic Beneficiary would also record depreciation expense for the real property in subsequent reporting periods;
b. If use by the Primary Economic Beneficiary is known to be short term, then the real property asset and accumulated depreciation will be reported by the Installation Host in its financial statements during that period. Short term use for this purpose means a period of two years or less. Note that this short term arrangement between the DoD Components, as with all arrangements for the use of real property, must be documented in accordance with DoDI 4000.19.

c. If a DoD Component is not the Primary Economic Beneficiary of the real property asset and/or is not responsible for sustainment requirements then:

   (1) If multiple DoD Components, which could include the acquiring DoD Component, use the real property but none of the DoD Components is the Primary Economic Beneficiary and/or is not responsible for sustainment requirements, then the Installation Host, based on control, will report the real property asset, accumulated depreciation and depreciation expense in its financial statements;

   (2) WCF DoD Components or other business-type activities using space in the real property that do not pay directly or pay through reimbursement for the fair value of the space being used/occupied, will record an imputed cost in their financial statements for the difference between what is being paid (if anything) for any DoD Component incurred costs and the fair value of their use (which should include sustainment and operating costs) and a corresponding financing source. The DoD Component (e.g., the acquiring DoD Component or the Installation Host) incurring and paying for the real property costs (such as sustainment and operating costs) should continue to record these costs in its accounting records and report the full cost they incur for those goods or services. Environmental clean-up and disposal costs that are recorded over time in conjunction with the usage/useful life of the asset are considered to be a part of the operating costs of the asset and these costs would need to be imputed by those WCF DoD Components or business-type activities using the related real property asset who do not pay or reimburse for these costs.

2. As the Installation Host maintains control and gains the overall economic benefit from land assets, all land, stewardship and non-stewardship, should be reported/disclosed in the financial statements of the Installation Host. All DoD owned water, power, and sewer lines (which are types of linear structures) should be reported/disclosed in the financial statements of the Installation Host. No imputed costs are to be recorded for the items discussed in this subparagraph by DoD Components other than WCFs.

3. If the commercial use of space of a real property asset is more than incidental (greater than 10 percent), the Installation Host will have the financial reporting responsibility for the asset. There is a presumption that the commercial tenants are paying rent to the Installation Host for their use of the asset. If the commercial tenants are paying rent to a DoD Component other than the Installation Host (where the commercial use is greater than incidental), that DoD Component will have the financial reporting responsibility for the asset.
B. Recognition Uncertainty. It is important that the overall accounting records of the DoD and the Federal Government are not duplicative.

1. In situations where doubt exists as to which entity should financially report the real property asset, DoD Component(s) involved must reach agreement with the other applicable DoD Component(s) or Federal agencies as to which DoD Component or Federal agency will record the asset for financial reporting purposes.

2. If an agreement cannot be reached, the matter must be referred to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Sustainment) for resolution. Requests for resolution must be accompanied by adequate supporting documentation to assist in resolution of the matter and be submitted through the Financial Management and Comptroller of the submitting DoD Component.

C. Recognition Timing. Recognition of real property for financial reporting purposes must occur upon acceptance to the acquiring DoD Component. Contract progress payments made must be recorded in the CIP account until the real property asset is accepted. See subparagraph 240204.E for guidance on the use of the CIP account.

D. Capitalization Thresholds. The capitalization threshold for real property is $250,000 for both the General Fund and WCF, except for the National Security Agency and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence for which the threshold is $1 million. Real property assets with a recorded cost that equals or exceeds the capitalization threshold and have a useful life of at least two years must be capitalized as an asset in the appropriate DoD Component’s accounting records and depreciated/amortized over its useful life. Real property assets with a recorded cost below the applicable capitalization threshold or which has a useful life of less than two years must be expensed.

E. CIP Process. CIP must be used to accumulate costs of new real property construction and capital improvements, which are anticipated to meet the capitalization criteria.

1. A CIP account will be created when either of these triggering events occurs: (i) work order and funding authorizations are received for an in-house construction project; or (ii) design and fund authorizations are received for construction projects performed by a construction agent (i.e., another DoD Component, Federal agency or commercial entity). When a DoD Component is constructing a real property asset to be transferred to another DoD Component, as the construction agent they must accumulate all costs since project inception in a CIP account until the costs are billed to the funding (purchasing) DoD Component. The billed costs in such a scenario must be removed from the CIP account of the construction agent when billed to the funding (purchasing) DoD Component entity and the funding (purchasing) DoD Component must record such billed amounts in their appropriate CIP account. See Volume 3, Chapter 17 for additional guidance on intergovernmental construction work or services.

a. When there is a cost shared project between Federal and nonfederal entities, a CIP account must only be created when the real property asset will be federally owned. Only the federal share of construction costs in conjunction with a nonfederal cost shared project should be captured in a CIP account. In the case of a cost shared project
between DoD and another Federal agency (e.g., Department of State), only the DoD share of construction costs should be captured in a CIP account within DoD’s financial statements. At the time the asset is placed in service, the real property asset must be recognized in the financial statements of the acquiring DoD Component for the value of the DoD Component’s share of the costs.

b. For cost shared projects where a DoD Component is the construction agent and constructing a nonfederally owned real property asset, costs must be accumulated in a CIP account to be billed to the customer. If a DoD Component is not the construction agent and the real property asset is not DoD owned, the DoD Component’s share of construction cost must be expensed as incurred. If the real property asset’s final ownership was not determined at project design authorization, this cost must be relieved from the CIP account and properly expensed when it is determined that the real property asset will not be federally owned.

2. DoD Components must assign a Component unique project number and the Installation Host will assign at least one RPUID for each approved construction project. The Component unique project number and RPUID will be associated to a CIP account when created. The Component unique project number must remain the same and be used for all phases of a particular construction project regardless of the fiscal year.

3. All costs for a construction project will be accumulated in a CIP account. A reasonable allocation methodology must be established and documented to assign project costs, direct and indirect, to all real property assets that will be constructed or improved with corresponding RPUIDs. Any indirect project costs must be allocated to the project CIP account as they are incurred. Thus, the full cost of constructed items must be adequately captured, reported and distributed across real property assets by RPUID, no later than the time the real property assets are placed in service and available for use. See Chapter 19 for additional guidance on managerial cost accounting including indirect costs.

4. CIP costs must be tracked by both the Component unique project number and the RPUID to ensure visibility, traceability, and accountability. The relationship among construction projects, RPUIDs and the CIP accounts is provided in Figure 24-1.
5. The funding DoD Component must continue to report CIP on their financial statements until the constructed item is accepted by the accountable DoD Component (if the accountable DoD Component is different than the funding DoD Component). The minimum information associated with the CIP amount reported for financial statement preparation purposes must include the funding DoD Component’s Project Number, Project Detail Fund Code(s), Project Detail Fund Code Cost Amount, Project Detail Organization Code(s), Programmed Amount, and RPUID(s). For a specified project and for the purpose of an audit trail of the CIP account, the construction agent and the funding DoD Component must retain the supporting documentation for their respective portion(s) of the project to which they have fiscal accountability. For additional information regarding representative supporting documentation for a construction project, refer to paragraph 240302. Upon acceptance of the constructed real property asset(s) or improvements, the construction agent must provide the funding DoD Component and the military service real property accountable officer with auditable supporting documentation. The funding DoD Component and military service real property accountable officer, in turn, must ensure the documentation is retained in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and instructions.

6. When constructed real property asset(s) or improvements are accepted and placed in service, the costs accumulated in the CIP account must be relieved in a manner that recognizes the cost of each individual real property asset with a RPUID (i.e., transferred to the appropriate real property account). To ensure constructed real property asset(s) or improvements are recorded at full cost, the recorded cost of the real property asset(s) or
improvements accepted must equal the sum of all construction and applicable design costs (see Annex 1 for a comprehensive list of cost types). In addition, the funding DoD Component of a construction project must ensure that all costs incurred by the funding DoD Component are included on a formal document for inclusion in the full cost of the real property asset(s) or improvements prior to acceptance by the accountable DoD Component.

7. For construction projects that are completed in multiple phases, the cost of each phase is transferred from the CIP account to the appropriate asset account, by RPUID, at the time each real property asset or useable portion of the asset in the phase is placed in service. Each constructed real property asset or useable portion of the asset, therefore, may have one or more placed in service dates which will be used to initiate the capitalization of each corresponding phase. Each phase must be depreciated over its estimated useful life when placed in service.

8. If a construction project is cancelled, all cost accumulated in the associated CIP account must be expensed. When a portion of a project is cancelled or decreased in scope, the cost directly associated to that portion of the project, and an allocated portion of the common cost in the CIP, must be expensed. All projects deferred for more than two years must be reviewed for continuance or cancellation during the review cycle.

F. Accounting for Real Property Outside of the U.S. As used in this chapter, the U.S. means the 50 States of the U.S., the District of Columbia, and the commonwealths, territories, and possessions of the U.S. In carrying out their mission, operations and objectives, there are circumstances in which DoD Components occupy and use real property facilities outside of the U.S. DoD's rights to real property outside of the U.S. are different from those within the U.S. For financial reporting purposes, a DoD Component that occupies and uses facilities outside of the U.S. must adhere to the following guidance:

1. A DoD Component will recognize the real property on its financial statements (including capital improvements) when all of the following criteria are met:
   a. An agreement exists between the U.S. and the host nation/foreign government (e.g., Cooperative Security Agreement and Bilateral Security Agreement, Status of Forces Agreement) and the agreement conveys a right to construct and operate facilities (i.e., real property);
   b. The U.S. Government/DoD Component funded the asset's acquisition (e.g., purchase and construction) and/or capital improvements. This specific criterion does not apply to assets used for revenue generating purposes (e.g., commissary and exchange);
   c. The cost incurred is over the DoD Component's real property capitalization threshold (if the asset is partially funded by DoD, only the portion funded by DoD will be evaluated against the capitalization threshold and recognized as an asset if applicable);
   d. The asset has an estimated useful life of two years or more; and
e. The DoD Component is using the asset in its operations.

2. Such capitalized assets will be depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Should the use of the asset terminate earlier than the estimated useful life, the asset’s remaining NBV will be written-off.

3. When a DoD Component occupies a facility but the DoD did not fund its acquisition, the DoD Component will recognize such facilities on its financial statements as assets under a capital lease, if a specific agreement with the host nation/foreign government exists and addresses the use of the facility. The agreement must include a requirement that the DoD Component pay minimum regular payments for its use. See Chapter 26 for guidance on applying the lease criteria for real property outside of the U.S.

4. SFFAS 4 “Managerial Cost Accounting Standards and Concepts” addresses imputed costs between federal agencies but does not extend to entities outside of the federal context. The concept of imputed costs does not apply to activities between a DoD Component and a host nation/foreign government. Therefore, a DoD Component will not record imputed costs for the use and/or occupancy of facilities, for which it does not pay directly or pay through reimbursement, provided by international organizations (e.g., North Atlantic Treaty Organization) or host nation/foreign government.

5. The DoD Component must record all real property occupied and used by it in an APSR, regardless of interest type, including those that have not been capitalized for accounting and financial reporting purposes, in accordance with 10 U.S.C. § 2721, DoDI 4165.14 and subparagraphs 240204.F.1 and 240204.F.3.

   a. Assets which do not meet the criteria for capitalization in accordance with subparagraph 240204.F.1 will be expensed in the period accepted by the DoD.

   b. Assets which do not meet the criteria for capitalization in accordance with subparagraph 240204.F.3 will not be reflected in financial statements (other than through note disclosure as described in subparagraph 240305.B.)

6. The DoD Component must record an expense for any maintenance and sustainment costs relating to the real property paid, or to be paid by them in the period incurred regardless of real property interest type.

G. Inter-Entity Costs.

1. SFFAS 55 requires the continued recognition of significant inter-entity costs among and between Federal agencies by business-type activities (e.g., WCFs) and allows non-business-type activities to elect not to recognize inter-entity costs, with the exception of inter-entity costs for personnel benefits and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury) Judgment Fund settlements unless otherwise directed by OMB. DoD has elected to not recognize imputed costs and corresponding imputed financing from non-business-type activities, aside from the exceptions stated in this subparagraph.
2. WCFs or other business like activities must impute costs in accordance with SFFAS 55. These imputed costs would include depreciation expense used in the formulation of their rates. The imputed costs will include what would otherwise have been depreciation expense for real property assets and improvements that were funded by the WCF and subsequently transferred to the General Fund, as well as any depreciation expenses or other costs for assets not funded by the WCF (see Annex 3). Imputed costs are recorded as a debit to Imputed Cost (USSGL 673000) and a credit to Imputed Financing Sources (USSGL 578000).

3. Disclosure requirements for inter-entity costs are described in subparagraph 240305.C.

240205. Capital Improvements

A. Capital improvements to real property assets must be capitalized when (1) the improvement increases the asset's useful life by two or more years, or increases its capacity or size, and (2) the cost of the improvement equals or exceeds the capitalization threshold (see subparagraph 240204.D). If capital improvements do not meet these two criteria, they should be expensed. Funding source (e.g., appropriation or WCFs) is not a factor in determining whether or not an improvement will be capitalized. If the capital improvement increases the underlying asset's useful life by two years or more, the DoD Component must capitalize and depreciate the improvement with the original asset over the revised estimated useful life. Costs of capital improvements which do not extend the useful life of an existing real property asset but enlarge or improve its capacity and have a useful life of two years or more must be capitalized and depreciated over the lesser of the useful life of the improvement or the remaining economic useful life of the underlying real property asset. Note that the economic life of the real property asset, in certain instances, may be different than the original estimated accounting useful life. The economic life reflects the remaining period of utility for the real property.

B. The cost of improvements to more than one real property asset as identified by a RPUID when constructed under a single project or work order, and that cannot be specifically identified by asset, will be capitalized only if the allocated cost per real property asset equals or exceeds the applicable capitalization threshold and the estimated useful life is two or more years. When more than one improvement is made to a single real property asset, in a single project and the improvements are part of one effort to increase the real property’s capacity, size, and/or useful life, the sum of the costs of the improvements must be capitalized, if the summed costs equal or exceed the capitalization threshold. This is required even when the improvements are funded by different fund sources. Once a determination has been made that the aggregate costs of the improvements will be capitalized, the summed costs of improvements should be capitalized and depreciated upon being placed in service as described in paragraph 240205.A.

C. Maintenance and repair costs are not considered capital improvements, regardless of whether the cost equals or exceeds the capitalization threshold. Per SFFAS 42, maintenance and repairs are defined as activities directed toward keeping fixed assets in an acceptable condition. Maintenance and repair activities include preventative maintenance; replacement of parts, systems, or components; and other activities needed to preserve or maintain assets. Maintenance and repair activities also include cyclic work done to prevent damage that
would be more costly to restore than to prevent (e.g., painting). A roof or a heating and air conditioning system that is replaced due to failure should be classified as a repair and should be expensed, even if the replacement incorporated a better quality and longer life shingle or a more efficient heating and air conditioning unit.

D. Although maintenance and repairs are generally expensed in the period incurred, certain replacements of parts, systems, or components may or may not be an improvement for accounting purposes. Crucial to the determination of whether a replacement must be recognized as a repair or an improvement is the intent behind the replacement. Replacement of parts, systems, or components that have failed, are in the incipient stages of failing, or are no longer performing the functions for which they were designated are classified as a repair; replacements falling into this category must be expensed. If the replacement was undertaken to expand the capacity or extend the life of a real property asset that was in good working order, then the replacement must be recognized as an improvement. A replacement classified as a repair does not include rebuilding entire structures within the same physical area (footprint).

E. For the purpose of capital improvements, capacity is defined as an increased footprint, or internal structural reconfiguration that increases the amount of usable space, number of personnel, or increased throughput. Increased capacity includes activities that upgrade the asset to serve needs different from, or significantly greater than its current use.

F. Capital Improvements (which includes leasehold improvements), at or over the capitalization threshold in effect at the time the capital improvements/leasehold improvements are acquired, will be recorded and depreciated by the funding DoD Component acquiring the capital improvement/leasehold improvements irrespective of whether they are the Primary Economic Beneficiary responsible for sustainment requirements of the real property asset containing the capital improvement/leasehold improvements. A DoD Component using space in a real property asset that reports capital improvements/leasehold improvements for that real property and subsequently ceases use of the real property will transfer the book value of those capital improvements/leasehold improvements (improvement value and accumulated depreciation) along with supporting documentation to the DoD Component responsible for reporting the real property asset in its financial statements at the time they no longer are using the real property.

240206. Depreciation

A. The recorded cost of real property and capital improvements which were capitalized in accordance with the guidance prescribed in paragraphs 240204 and 240205 must be depreciated over the shorter of (i) the period of time benefited, or (ii) the asset’s useful life. Such capitalized amounts, as well as associated amounts of accumulated depreciation and depreciation expense, must be reflected in DoD financial statements.

B. Depreciation is the systematic and rational allocation of the recorded cost of an asset over its estimated useful life. Estimates of useful life for real property assets must consider factors such as usage, physical wear and tear and technological change. For purposes of computing depreciation on DoD real property assets, specific useful lives are prescribed.
Table 24-1 reflects the useful lives to be used for DoD real property in establishing opening balances as well as for real property acquired after establishment of opening balances.

Table 24-1. DoD Useful Lives for Depreciable Real Property Assets

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i. Land Rights are included on the balance sheet in general PP&E only if the DoD Component did not make the election to implement the provisions of SFFAS 50, paragraph 13, to exclude land rights from the opening balance of general PP&E and expense future land rights acquisitions after establishment of the opening balance.

ii. Engineering estimates are of particular importance when evaluating full restoration or conversion.

C. The event that triggers the calculation of depreciation is the date the real property asset is placed in service (regardless of whether it is actually used). The actual commencement of depreciation will generally be based on the Month Available for Service method. Under this method, the month the asset was available for use, regardless of whether it was actually used, is the month used to commence the calculation of depreciation expense for the first year.

D. DoD policy permits only the use of the straight line method of depreciation for real property assets. Straight line depreciation expense is calculated as the recorded cost divided equally among accounting periods during the asset’s useful life based on useful lives in Table 24-1.

E. If an asset remains in use longer than its estimated useful life, it must be retained in the APSR, as well as the accounting records, and reflect both its recorded cost and accumulated depreciation until disposition of the asset.

F. WCF activities are required to depreciate real property assets in accordance with the guidance in this chapter without regard to whether such assets are procured through the WCF activity’s Capital Purchase/Investment Program budget or whether depreciation for such assets is included in rates charged to customers. The recognition of real property assets and the depreciation of such assets by WCF activities, therefore, may be different for financial statement reporting purposes than the depreciation amounts used for WCF rate development and budget presentation. All real property depreciation of WCF activities must be recognized as an expense on the Statement of Net Cost, included in accumulated depreciation amounts on the Balance Sheet, and reported in the “Defense Working Capital Fund Accounting Report [Accounting Report (Monthly) 1307] (AR(M)1307).” Depreciation recorded on real property that was not acquired
nor will be replaced through use of Defense WCF resources must be classified as non-recoverable for rate setting purposes and reported appropriately on the AR(M)1307. Defense WCF rates charged to customers are based on guidance in Volume 2B and Volume 11B.

240207. Impairment

A. Description. SFFAS 44 defines impairment as a significant and permanent decline in the service utility of general PP&E (which includes real property assets) or expected service utility of CIP that results from events or changes in circumstances that are not considered normal and ordinary. Identified real property (i.e., real property for which a significant decline in service utility has occurred) should be tested for impairment by determining whether the magnitude of the decline in service utility is significant and whether the decline in service utility is expected to be permanent.

1. See subparagraph 240207.B.2 for a discussion of determining the significance and permanence of a service utility decline.

2. The service utility of real property is the usable capacity that, at acquisition or after improvement, was expected to be used to provide service. The current usable capacity of real property may be less than its original usable capacity due to the normal or expected decline in useful life or to impairing events or changes in circumstances, such as physical damage, obsolescence, enactment of approval of laws or regulations or other changes in environmental or economic factors, or changes in the manner or duration of use.

3. Normal and ordinary events or circumstances are those that fall within the expected useful life of the real property such as standard maintenance and repair requirements. Events or circumstances that are not considered normal are those that, at the time the real property was acquired or improved, the event or change in circumstance would not have been expected to occur during the useful life of the real property or, if expected, was not sufficiently predictable to be considered in estimating the real property's useful life.

B. Identification of Potential Impairment Loss. The determination of whether real property remaining in use is impaired is a two-step process which includes (1) identifying potential impairment indicators and (2) testing for impairment.

1. Step 1- Identify Indicators of Potential Impairment. Indicators of potential impairment can be identified and brought to DoD Component’s attention in a variety of ways, such as procedures related to deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R). Although DoD Components are not required to establish additional or separate procedures beyond those that may already exist, they should evaluate existing processes and internal controls to determine if they are sufficient to reasonably assure the identification of potential impairment indicators and implement appropriate additional processes and internal controls if necessary. Once identified, indicators are not conclusive evidence that a measurable or reportable impairment exists; DoD Components should carefully consider the surrounding circumstances to determine whether a test of potential impairment is necessary given the circumstances. Some common indicators of potential impairment include:
a. Evidence of physical damage;

b. Enactment or approval of laws or regulations which limit or restrict the usage of the real property asset;

c. Changes in environmental factors (e.g., change in floodplain);

d. Technological changes or evidence of obsolescence (however, if obsolete real property continues to be used, the service utility expected at acquisition may not be diminished);

e. Changes in the manner or duration of use of real property;

f. Construction stoppage or contract termination; and

g. Real property idled or unserviceable for excessively long periods.

2. Step 2 – Impairment Test. Identified real property should be tested for impairment by determining whether these two factors are present: (1) the magnitude of the decline in service utility is significant and (2) the decline in service utility is expected to be permanent.

a. Significant declines in service utility are those that cause costs (including operational and maintenance costs) to be disproportionate to the new expected service utility. The determination of whether or not an impairment is significant is a matter of professional judgement and is distinct from materiality considerations. Such judgements may be based on the relative costs of maintaining the service utility of the facility before and after the decline, the percentage decline in service utility, or other considerations.

b. The decline in service utility is considered permanent when the DoD Component has no reasonable expectation that the lost service utility will be replaced or restored; that is, the DoD Component expects that the real property will remain in service so that its remaining service utility will be utilized. In contrast, reasonable expectation that the lost service utility will be replaced or restored may exist when the DoD Component has:

1. Specific plans to replace or restore the lost service utility of the real property,

2. Committed or obligated funding for remediation efforts, or

3. A history of remediating lost service utility in similar cases or for similar real property.
3. For CIP, the testing of impairment in subparagraph 240207.B.2 should be performed over the period of expected future service utility rather than current service utility.

C. Determining the Appropriate Measurement Approach. Impairment losses on real property that will continue to be used by the Component should be estimated using a measurement approach that reasonably estimates the portion of NBV associated with the diminished service utility of the real property. A measurement method would not be considered appropriate if it would result in an unreasonable NBV associated with the remaining service utility of the real property. Conversely, a reasonable measurement method may result in no impairment loss to be recorded. Regardless of the method used, recognition of impairment loss should be limited to the asset’s NBV at the time of impairment. Widely recognized methods for measuring impairment include:

1. **Replacement Approach.** Impairment of real property with physical damage generally may be measured using a replacement approach. This approach uses the estimated cost to replace the lost service utility of the real property at today’s standards (i.e., at current market prices and in compliance with current statutory, regulatory, or industry standards) to identify the portion of the historical cost of real property that should be written-off due to impairment. It may be appropriate to apply the ratio of estimated cost to replace the diminished service utility over total estimated cost to replace the real property, to the NBV of real property to determine the impairment amount.

2. **Restoration Approach.** This approach uses the estimated cost to restore the diminished service utility of the real property to identify the portion of the historical cost of the real property that should be written-off. This approach does not include any amounts attributable to improvements and additions to meet today’s standards. The estimated restoration cost can be converted to historical cost by restating (i.e., deflating) the estimated restoration cost using an appropriate cost index. Alternatively, it may be appropriate to apply the ratio of estimated restoration cost to restore the diminished service utility over total estimated restoration cost to the NBV of the real property to determine the impairment amount.

3. **Service Unit Approach.** Impairment of real property that are affected by enactment or approval of laws or regulations or other changes in environmental factors or are subject to technological changes or obsolescence generally may be measured using a service unit approach. This approach compares the service units (e.g., operational capacity) provided by the real property before and after the impairment to isolate the historical cost of the service utility that cannot be used due to the impairment to determine the impairment amount.

4. **Deflated Depreciated Current Cost Approach.** Impairment of real property that are subject to a change in manner or duration of use generally may be measured using a deflated depreciated current cost approach. Under this approach, a current cost for a real property asset to replace the current level of service is estimated. This estimated current cost is then depreciated to reflect the fact that the real property is not new, and is then subsequently deflated to convert it to historical cost dollars. A potential impairment loss results if the NBV of the real
property exceeds the estimated historical cost of the current service utility (i.e., deflated depreciated current cost).

5. **Cash Flow Approach.** Recognizes an impairment loss only if the NBV (i) is not recoverable and (ii) exceeds the higher of its NRV or value-in-use estimate.

   a. The NBV of real property is not recoverable if it exceeds the sum of the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the real property.

   b. NRV is the estimated amount that can be recovered from selling, or any other method of disposing, of an item less estimated costs of completion, holding, and disposal. SFFAC 7 describes value-in-use as the benefit to be obtained by an entity from the continuing use of an asset and from its disposal at the end of its useful life.

   c. If the NBV is not recoverable, the impairment loss is the amount by which the NBV of the real property exceeds the higher of its NRV or value-in-use estimate. No impairment loss exists if the NBV is less than the higher of the real property’s NRV or value-in-use estimate.

6. **Lower of (a) NBV or (b) Higher of NRV or Value-In-Use Approach.** Real property impaired from either construction stoppages or contract terminations, which are expected to provide service, should be reported at their recoverable amount; the lower of (i) the real property’s NBV or (ii) the higher of its NRV or value-in-use estimated. Impaired real property, which is not expected to provide service, should be accounted for in accordance with paragraph 240208.

D. **Recognizing and Reporting Impairment Losses.** The loss from impairment, if any, should be recognized and reported in the Statement of Net Cost in the period in which the DoD Component concludes that the impairment is both (1) a significant decline in service utility and (2) expected to be permanent. Such losses may be included in program costs or costs not assigned to programs. A general description of the real property for which an impairment loss is recognized, the nature (e.g., damage or obsolescence) and amount of the impairment and the financial statement classification of the impairment loss must be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements in the period the impairment loss is recognized.
E. **Recoveries.** The impairment loss must be reported net of any associated recovery when the recovery and loss occur in the same fiscal year. Recoveries reported in subsequent fiscal years must be reported as revenue or other financing source as appropriate. The amount and financial statement classification of recoveries should be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

F. **Remediating Previously Reported Impairments.** The costs incurred to replace or restore the lost service utility of impaired real property remaining in use must be accounted for in accordance with applicable standards (i.e., recognized according to the nature of the costs incurred and the appropriate capitalization threshold).

G. **Diminished Service Utility Without Recognized Impairment Loss.** If the future service utility has been adversely affected but the impairment test determines that a loss does not need to be recognized, a change to the estimates used in depreciation calculations (such as estimated useful life and salvage value, if applicable) should be considered and adjusted as appropriate.

240208. **Removal/Disposal**

A. FASAB TR 14 defines removal from service as an event that terminates the use of a real property asset. Removal from service may occur because of a change in the manner or duration of use, change in technology or obsolescence, damage by natural disaster, or identification as excess to mission needs. Removals from service should be considered other than permanent unless (1) the asset’s use is terminated and (2) there is documented evidence of the DoD Component’s decision to permanently remove the asset from service (e.g., by selling, donating, or demolishing the asset). If only one of the two business events has occurred, permanent removal from service has not occurred (i.e., the removal is considered other than permanent).

B. If an asset’s normal use is terminated (i.e., it no longer provides service in the operations of the entity) but the DoD Component has not yet decided to permanently remove the asset from service, the removal from service must be accounted for as other than permanent. Other than permanent removal from service is evidenced by activities such as continuing low-level maintenance to sustain the asset in a recoverable status or until reutilization efforts are exhausted. There is no change in the reported value for assets that have been other than permanently removed from service and the assets must continue to be depreciated.

C. If (1) an asset’s use is terminated and (2) the DoD Component has documented its decision to permanently remove the asset from service, the removal from service must be accounted for as permanent. Assets permanently removed from service are no longer depreciated. Permanent removal from service is evident from the DoD Component’s documented decision to dispose of an asset by selling, donating, or demolishing the asset. For example, assets declared to be excess to the DoD under 41 CFR 102.75 are considered permanently removed from service. The recorded cost as well as the accumulated depreciation/amortization of an asset permanently removed from service must be removed from the accounts in which they are reported, and the asset must be recorded at its NRV in General PP&E Permanently Removed But Not Yet Disposed (USSGL Account 199500). USSGL Account 199500 is defined as the NRV of general
PP&E that is permanently removed from service but not yet disposed and is reclassified in accordance with FASAB TR 14, paragraphs 10 and 12. NRV is the estimated amount that can be recovered from disposing of the asset less estimated costs of completion, holding, and disposal. Any difference between the NBV of the asset and its expected NRV must be recognized as a gain or loss. The expected NRV should be evaluated at the end of each fiscal year and any change in NRV should be recognized as a gain or loss. Assets permanently removed from service are no longer depreciated.

D. When an asset is disposed of (e.g., by selling, donating, or demolishing the asset) the asset must be written-off and the difference between any disposal proceeds and the asset’s NBV must be recognized as a gain or loss. The disposal start date is the calendar date of a legally enforceable and recognizable obligation to complete the disposal action. For demolitions, this represents the demolition contract’s start date. For transfers and sales to a non-DoD entity, this represents the date on which the instrument is endorsed or operation is ceased, whichever comes later. For natural disasters, this represents the actual date of the incident if the asset is a complete loss.

2403 ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

240301. Use of Cancelled Treasury Account Symbol

A. The Treasury's Governmentwide Treasury Account Symbol Adjusted Trial Balance System (GTAS) is a data collection system that replaces the reporting functionalities of the Federal Agencies Centralized Trial Balance System I and II, Intragovernmental Fiduciary Confirmation System, and Intragovernmental Reporting and Analysis System, as the primary means for DoD Components to report their trial balance data to Treasury. Capitalized assets are required to be reported and remain in GTAS after the original purchasing Treasury Account Symbol (TAS) has expired and been cancelled. If a capitalized asset has not been moved to a cancelled (“C”) TAS as described in 240301.B; GTAS will provide a “C” TAS on the GTAS Super Master Account File (SMAF) for each fund family represented on the SMAF. The system generated “C” TAS will have three components: the 3-digit agency identifier, availability type "C", and a 4-digit main account.

B. All DoD Components must use the availability type “C” TAS to report capitalized assets. Assets may be moved to a “C” TAS at any time from the purchase date to the date the original purchasing fund cancels. (Refer to the TFM Volume 1, Part 2, Chapter 4700 for additional information.)

C. To transfer an asset to a “C” TAS:

1. Use USSGL account transaction E510 to transfer-out the asset from the purchasing fund account.

2. Use USSGL account transaction E606 to transfer-in the asset into the appropriate “C” TAS.
Entries to record financial transactions in accounting system general ledger accounts and the accountable property records and/or systems must:

A. Be supported by source documents that reflect all transactions affecting the DoD Component’s investment in the real property.

1. All real property acquisitions, whether by purchase, transfer from other agencies, donation, or other means, must be supported as of the date the DoD Component takes custody of the real property. The documents listed in Table 24-2, where applicable, must be readily available to support the changes in asset value or physical attributes as a result of new acquisition or capital improvement.
Table 24-2. Examples of Supporting Documentation for Real Property Acquisition
(Note: These examples are not all inclusive for all circumstances)

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<th>Evidence</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Unique Identification</strong></td>
<td>Assignment of RPUID</td>
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<td><strong>Project Approval</strong></td>
<td>Such as, but not limited to a Work Order</td>
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<td><strong>Obligation on Behalf of the Government</strong></td>
<td>Such as, but not limited to:</td>
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<td>1. For contracts, contract modifications, or change orders:</td>
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<td>• Statement of Work;</td>
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<td>• Dollar Amount of Contract;</td>
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<td>• Location;</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Source of Funds;</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Parties to the Contract; and</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>• Signature Page [Signature of All Parties].</td>
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<td>2. Documentation of troop labor hours;</td>
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<td>3. Approved Work Order.</td>
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<td><strong>Payment Submitted</strong></td>
<td>Such as, but not limited to:</td>
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<td>1. Approved last invoice reflecting the total amount submitted for payment and received to date;</td>
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<td>2. Evidence of in-house construction costs, including labor;</td>
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<td>3. Indirect Costs incurred internally by the gaining activity that relate to the new acquisition or capital improvement.</td>
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<td><strong>Acceptance</strong></td>
<td>Such as, but not limited to:</td>
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<td>1. General Services Administration 1334, “Request for Transfer of Excess Real and Related Personal Property”;</td>
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<td>2. Interim and final DoD (DD) Form 1354, Transfer and Acceptance of DoD Real Property, with associated source documentation retained by the responsible party. Note: All cost information transferred from the CIP account to the real property asset account at the time the asset or improvement is placed in service, must be included as support for the DD Form 1354;</td>
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<td>3. Executed acquisition document and appraisal results for the donated assets;</td>
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<td>4. Signed judgment documents for condemnations;</td>
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<td>5. Deed;</td>
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<td>6. Signed lease for leased property;</td>
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<td>7. Letter of withdrawal for property withdrawn from public domain;</td>
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<td>8. Executed Occupancy agreement;</td>
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<td>9. Executed reversionary document;</td>
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<td>10. Transfer letter and documents for transferred assets; and</td>
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<td>11. Collection voucher.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Project Closeout</strong></td>
<td>Such as, but not limited to a final DD Form 1354, with associated source documentation retained by the responsible party.</td>
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2. All disposals must be supported as of the date the real property leaves the custody of the DoD Component to provide an adequate audit trail for the disposal of the asset. The execution of certain disposal events will generate financial or administrative accountability transactions. These documents, where applicable, must be readily available to support disposals:
a. Declaration of excess document;
b. Disposal approval documentation (to include disposal of land);
c. Original acquisition documents;
d. Legal instruments (such as a deed or contract) to indicate legal obligation to dispose of an asset;
e. Document showing the disposal completion date;
f. Receipt documentation; and
g. Transfer documents for transferred assets or as otherwise stated.

3. Documents that support the recorded cost of real property assets must be retained by the DoD Component in accordance with the National Archives and Records Administration requirements described in Volume 1, Chapter 9. Documentation (original documents and/or hard and electronic copies of original documentation) must be maintained in a readily available location during the applicable retention period to permit the validation of information pertaining to the asset such as the purchase cost, purchase date, and cost of improvements. The documentation must also be linked to the appropriate RPUID(s). Supporting documentation may include, but is not limited to, the documentation as outlined in this subparagraph.

B. Include sufficient information indicating the physical size, location, and unit cost of each real property asset. The APSR and/or other systems must be designed to be of maximum assistance in making procurement and utilization decisions, including decisions related to identifying potential excess real property that may be available for reuse, transfer to other DoD Components, or made available for disposal in accordance with current DoD regulations and other regulatory requirements.

C. Enable periodic, independent verification of the accuracy of the accounting and APSR and/or other systems through periodic physical counts/inventories of real property existence and completeness (known as “book to floor and floor to book”). Such periodic inventories also must include reconciling the APSR and/or other systems with the general ledger accounts and physical counts. Personal hand receipt self-validations are not acceptable for meeting the independent verification of physical inventory requirements (see DoDI 4165.14).

D. Identify and classify real property that was capitalized, recorded in the APSR and accounting system, and reported in the financial statements.

1. The Military Department or WHS having jurisdiction over the real property, in accordance with DoDD 4165.06 and DoDI 4165.70, is required to record real property
assets in their APSR. If the Military Department or WHS is not the DoD Component that reports the real property on its financial statements because there is another DoD Component that is the Primary Economic Beneficiary, the real property must also be recorded by the DoD Component that is the Primary Economic Beneficiary in its APSR and be reported in its financial statements. Note that in this instance, if two DoD Components are recording the real property asset in their APSR, only the DoD Component that is the Primary Economic Beneficiary of the real property is reporting the real property asset in its financial statements.

a. The DoD Component which reports the real property asset in its financial statements must maintain (or in certain instances have maintained by another DoD Component) a subsidiary property ledger (i.e., APSR) containing details of individual real property assets that are reported in their financial statements. The DoD Component who reports the real property asset on its financial statements is responsible for providing data on the valuation, existence and completeness of the real property asset to the Installation Host and the Installation Host should accept this data and ensure that data is contained in their APSR.

b. There may be instances where the DoDD 4165.06 requirement for a Military Department or WHS to be accountable for all real property and the implementation of the Primary Economic Beneficiary for financial reporting of real property results in the potential for maintaining two APSRs for the same real property asset. In such instances, the financial reporting DoD Component can decide whether they will maintain a separate APSR of their own or rely on the Military Department or WHS who is subject to the requirements of DoDD 4165.06 to provide an APSR to them. If the financial reporting DoD Component decides to rely on the APSR of the Military Department or WHS, the requirement to provide the APSR to the financial reporting DoD Component must be set out in an appropriate real property host/tenant agreement between the financial reporting DoD Component and the Military Department or WHS as applicable. A host/tenant agreement must be in place to support the use and management responsibilities for each real property asset. The financial reporting DoD Component, if it is not the Military Department or WHS, will provide the official existence, completeness and valuation data to the Military Department or WHS.

c. In an instance where the DoD Component, which reports real property assets in its financial statements in accordance with this policy, relies on another DoD Component to provide it with an APSR, that APSR should include the appropriate data field identifier for the DoD Component with financial reporting responsibility of the real property asset (i.e., the real property asset Financial Reporting Organization Code).

2. The DoD Components, to include the Military Departments and WHS, are each required to perform a reconciliation of their APSR with each of the tenants (including reconciliation between Military Departments as applicable) for at least the third and fourth quarters of each fiscal year prior to issuance of their financial statements.

3. All DoD Components (Military Departments, WHS and Other Defense Organizations) must reconcile their APSR to their financial statements (or to their trial balance if financial statements are not required to be prepared) on a quarterly basis.
4. All DoD Components funding CIP must reconcile their recorded CIP balances on a quarterly basis with any construction service provider working on the CIP. CIP should reflect the value associated with the actual progress payments and other costs incurred based on the progress of work completed as of the quarter end.

E. Be based on the same documents, to ensure that entries to the financial accounting/reporting and APSR are the same. This will ensure that the APSR is integrated and subsidiary to the financial accounting system and such records can be reconciled with the accounting system.

F. Include documents used to accumulate the cost of construction projects. Each document must link to the appropriate RPUID. For a listing of those costs that may be incurred during the construction, see Annex 1.

G. Include all real property in which the DoD has a legal interest.

H. Provide information to identify and account for leased real property, regardless of whether the real property was acquired by a capital lease or operating lease or whether the value of the real property exceeds DoD capitalization thresholds.

I. Provide information to identify and account for capitalized improvements to real property.

240303. Physical Inventories of Real Property

DoD Components must perform periodic physical inventories of real property in accordance with DoDI 4165.14.

240304. DM&R

A. Description

1. FASAB SFFAS 42 defines DM&R as maintenance and repairs that were not performed when they should have been or were scheduled to be and which are put off or delayed to a future period.

2. Maintenance and repairs are activities directed toward keeping fixed assets in an acceptable condition. Maintenance and repairs include preventive maintenance; replacement of parts, systems, or components; and other activities needed to preserve or maintain the asset in working condition.

3. Maintenance and repairs exclude activities aimed at expanding the capacity or capability of an asset or otherwise upgrading it to serve needs different from or significantly greater than its current use.
B. Measurement

1. The values reported for real property DM&R must be consistent with the Facility Condition Index ratings and Facility Plant Replacement Values of the applicable real property facilities.

2. DoD Components should determine what condition standards are acceptable and which DM&R measurement methods to apply. Condition standards and measurement methods must be consistently applied unless the DoD Component determines that changes are necessary. Changes deemed necessary by the DoD Component must be accompanied by an explanation documenting the rationale for the change(s) and any related impact the change(s) will have on the DM&R estimates.

3. DM&R must be measured for capitalized and non-capitalized real property, and fully depreciated real property. In addition, DM&R associated with inactive real property should only be included when the asset is reported with an operational status of caretaker (CARE), closed (CLSD) or non-functional (NONF). In addition, DM&R must measure funded maintenance and repairs that have been delayed for a future period as well as unfunded maintenance and repairs. The reported data should not include DM&R that would be funded with NAFs commissary surcharge, or funding from non-DoD sources.

C. Required Supplemental Information

DoD Components who report real property must report material amounts of DM&R as required supplemental information (RSI) to the financial statements (see Volume 6B, Chapter 12). At a minimum, the following information must be presented as RSI:

1. Estimates of the beginning and ending balances of DM&R for each major category of real property;

2. A summary of the DoD Component’s maintenance and repairs policies and a brief description of how they are applied (i.e., method of measuring DM&R);

3. Policies for ranking and prioritizing maintenance and repair activities;

4. Factors the DoD Component considers in determining acceptable condition standards;

5. Whether DM&R relates solely to capitalized facilities or also to amounts relating to non-capitalized or fully depreciated real property;

6. Capitalized real property for which the DoD Component does not measure and/or report DM&R and the rationale for the exclusion; and

7. If applicable, explanation of any significant changes to
(a) DM&R amounts from the prior year; and

(b) The policies and factors subject to the reporting requirements established in subparagraphs 240304.C.2 through 240304.C.6.

240305. Financial Statement Reporting Requirements

A. DoD Components that financially report real property should reference a note on the Balance Sheet that discloses information about the reported real property assets. See Volume 6B for the specific reporting requirements.

B. DoD Components must disclose in the notes to the financial statements those instances in which they are using real property provided by a host nation/foreign government without reimbursement by DoD to the host nation/foreign government, as applicable, that:

1. The DoD Component is utilizing real property provided by and owned by a host nation/foreign government in its operations outside of the U.S. without reimbursement by DoD to the host nation/foreign government and that there are no amounts recorded in the financial statements related to these properties.

2. The general nature of the agreement with the host nation/foreign government. It is not intended or recommended that the geographic location of the host nation/foreign government be disclosed.

C. In accordance with SFFAS 55, DoD Components must disclose in the notes to the financial statements that only certain inter-entity (imputed) costs are recognized for goods and services that are received from other federal entities and/or DoD Components at no cost or at a cost less than the full cost as applicable. Such imputed costs and revenues relate to business-type activities (if applicable), employee benefits, and claims to be settled by the Treasury Judgment Fund. However, unreimbursed costs of goods and services other than those identified in the preceding sentence are not included in DoD financial statements.

240306. Environmental Liabilities/Cleanup Costs

The accounting policy for environmental liabilities/cleanup costs pertaining to real property is contained in Chapter 13.
(Costs to be accumulated for constructed assets)

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<th>Cost Type</th>
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<tr>
<td>Cost of contract work</td>
<td>Amounts paid for work performed under contract, as well as any incentive fees paid to contractors to reward performance goals.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Direct cost of labor</td>
<td>The direct cost of labor and all associated fringe benefits in connection with the construction project. Includes both military and civilian labor costs.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Direct cost of materials and supplies</td>
<td>The purchase price and the cost of inspection.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cost of Supervision, Inspection, and Overhead</td>
<td>Support associated with the administration of contracts for facility projects.  <strong>Support may include processing of</strong> contract award and payments, <strong>performing</strong> inspections, and other actions taken during <strong>project</strong> execution.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cost of transportation</td>
<td>Amounts paid for transportation of workers, materials, and supplies in connection with the construction project.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cost of handling and storage</td>
<td>Amount paid for packaging and storing the materials and supplies and equipment used in the construction project.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cost of legal and recording fees</td>
<td>Legal fees incurred to bring the asset to its intended use (e.g., title or recording fees).</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cost of architecture and engineering studies</td>
<td>Amounts paid for engineering, architectural, and other outside services for designs, plans, specifications, and surveys after <strong>funding and design authorization</strong>. May include design reviews, environmental impact studies, and soil testing for the new construction projects.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cost of facility and site preparation</td>
<td>Amounts paid to prepare the site for new construction, such as soil removal and restoration. Includes amount paid to prepare the asset for its intended use, such as installation of utilities in a facility.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cost of installed equipment</td>
<td>Fixed equipment and related installation costs required for activities in a facility.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cost of government furnished property</td>
<td>An appropriate share of the cost of the government furnished equipment and material used in construction work.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cost of donated assets</td>
<td>The fair value of equipment donated to the government, as authorized by a special legislation, in connection with the construction project.</td>
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The following decision tree provides an illustrative guide to determine which DoD Component would be the Financial Reporting Component for a real property asset based on specific business case scenario attributes.

Primary Economic Beneficiary is defined as having use of 90% or more of a real property asset. Financial Reporting entities must be the Primary Economic Beneficiary and also be responsible for programming, budgeting, and executing directly or through reimbursement the sustainment requirements for the real property asset.
Annex 3. Decision Tree for Determining Imputed Costs

Accounting for imputed costs as displayed in the decision tree is applicable only to business-type activities (e.g., WCFs). See Chapter 24, subparagraph 240204.G for further guidance on inter-entity costs.

The following decision tree provides an illustrative guide to determine what real property asset related costs should be imputed and reported by a DoD Component which is a business-type activity (e.g., WCF) based on specific business case scenario attributes.

Note 1: With regard to imputed costs, if only partial direct payment or reimbursement is made by the DoD Component, it would record an imputed cost for the difference between the full value/benefit received and the direct payment or reimbursement.

Note 2: Quantitative information for imputing costs should be provided by the DoD Component incurring those costs (i.e., depreciation, amortization, operation costs and sustainment costs).
Annex 4. Capital Improvement Depreciation

A40101. Accounting for Depreciation of Capital Improvements

A. As stated in paragraph 37 of Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards 6 (SFFAS 6), “costs which either extend the useful life of existing general PP&E, or enlarge or improve its capacity shall be capitalized and depreciated/amortized over the remaining useful life of the associated general PP&E.”

B. The Scenarios I through III in subparagraph C illustrate application of the depreciation methodology for capital improvements and the underlying real property asset as directed by SFFAS 6 for improvements that equal or exceed the Department of Defense’s (DoD’s) capitalization threshold. When improvements extend the useful life of the associated general PP&E, the original estimated useful life will be adjusted for the estimated extension created by the improvement. When an improvement increases the capacity, size, or functionality/use of the associated general PP&E, but does not extend its useful life, the improvement should be capitalized and depreciated over the useful life of the improvement. This methodology is based on the premise that the improvement itself has a useful life even if the associated general PP&E has a NBV of zero based on its original estimated useful life. In this instance the original useful life of the associated general PP&E may have been underestimated.

C. Examples and Scenarios of Capital Improvements

1. Extends the useful life: Major restoration or reconstruction restore facilities damaged by a natural disaster or event of similar consequence (e.g., reconstruction of a building on an existing foundation).

2. Increase capacity: Raising the roof of the warehouse to increase cubic feet.

3. Increase size: Build an addition, expansion or extension to the building, i.e., increase the footprint.

4. Modify functionality: Convert an office to a warehouse; upgrade architectural elements of a facility that is or is not failing; e.g., upgrade a flat roof to a pitched roof; install elevator where none existed.
Scenario I. Capital Improvement Extends the Useful Life of Existing General PP&E

In this scenario, the estimated extension of the useful life is combined with the remaining useful life of the original asset to establish a revised useful life. The remainder of the revised useful life at the date the improvement is placed in service is then used as the basis for calculating depreciation for the combined net book value (NBV) of the original asset plus the value of the improvement.

In this Scenario, the conversion of a warehouse to office space, the capital improvement is placed in service at the beginning of the 26th year of the useful life of the original asset.

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Original Building Acquisition Cost</td>
<td>$450,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Original Estimated Useful Life in years (yrs.)</td>
<td>45</td>
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<tr>
<td>Annual Depreciation Expense (using straight-line depreciation)</td>
<td>$10,000</td>
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<td>($450,000 ÷ 45)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Accumulated Depreciation at the end of year 25</td>
<td>$250,000</td>
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<td>(25 years X $10,000 per year)</td>
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<tr>
<td>NBV of original asset at the end of year 25</td>
<td>$200,000</td>
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<td>($450,000 - $250,000)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Capital Improvement – added at the beginning of year 26 of original building’s useful life</td>
<td>$280,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Extension of useful life (yrs.) of existing building from capital improvement based on documented Engineering Estimate</td>
<td>30</td>
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<tr>
<td>Revised remaining useful life for building with the capital improvement (45 yrs.(original useful life) less 25 yrs. (expired useful life) plus 30 years (capital improvement useful life))</td>
<td>50</td>
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<tr>
<td>Revised depreciable value of building including capital improvement ($200,000 (original NBV) plus $280,000 (capital improvement))</td>
<td>$480,000</td>
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<td>Revised annual depreciation for the building and capital improvement ($480,000 ÷ 50 yrs.)</td>
<td>$9,600</td>
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1 From Table 24-1
2 If an Engineering Estimate for the extended useful life of the capital improvement were not available; the 20 year useful life from Table 24-1 would be used.
Scenario II. Capital Improvement Increases the General PP&E Asset’s Capacity, Size, or Modifies the Functionality/Use but Does Not Extend the Life of the Original General PP&E Asset

In this type of scenario, the capital improvement is depreciated over its estimated useful life irrespective of the remaining useful life of the original general PP&E asset.

In this scenario, the capital improvement is placed in service at the beginning of the 16th year in the useful life of the original base asset.

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<td>Original Linear Structure Acquisition Cost</td>
<td>$500,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Original Estimated Useful Life in years (yrs.)(^1)</td>
<td>40</td>
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<td>Annual Depreciation Expense (using straight-line depreciation) ((\frac{500,000}{40}))</td>
<td>$12,500</td>
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<td>Accumulated Depreciation at the end of year 15 ((15 \text{ years} \times \frac{12,500}{\text{per year}}))</td>
<td>$187,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>NBV of original asset at the end of year 15 ((500,000 - 187,500))</td>
<td>$312,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Capital Improvement – added at the beginning of year 16 of original linear structure useful life</td>
<td>$270,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Useful life of capital improvement (yrs.)(^2)</td>
<td>20</td>
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<tr>
<td>Annual Depreciation Expense (using straight-line depreciation) ((\frac{270,000}{20}))</td>
<td>$13,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Depreciation for the original value of linear structure would continue on an annual basis for the next 25 years (((40 \text{ yrs. (original useful life)} - 15 \text{ yrs. (expired useful life)}))</td>
<td>$12,500 \text{ annual depreciation}</td>
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<tr>
<td>Depreciation for the capital improvement would be recorded over the estimated 20 year useful life of the improvement</td>
<td>$13,500 \text{ annual depreciation}</td>
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\(^1\) From Table 24-1
\(^2\) If an Engineering Estimate for the useful life of the capital improvement were available, the Engineering Estimate would be used rather than the useful life from Table 24-1
Scenario III. Capital Improvement Increases the General PP&E Asset’s Capacity, Size, or Modifies the Functionality/Use

The capital improvement is funded by and will be used by the WCF (e.g., Defense Logistics Agency) activity that is not the Primary Economic Beneficiary responsible for sustainment of the facility improved. The associated asset will be reported by the Primary Economic Beneficiary responsible for sustainment of that facility (e.g., Department of the Army) while the capital improvement is reported and depreciated by the WCF activity funding and using that improvement.

The improvement is placed in service at the beginning of the 11th year in the useful life of the associated general PP&E asset.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Value</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Original Building Acquisition Cost</td>
<td>$1,350,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Original Estimated Useful Life in years (yrs.)¹</td>
<td>45</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annual Depreciation Expense (using straight-line depreciation) ($1,350,000 ÷ 45)</td>
<td>$30,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Accumulated Depreciation at the end of year 10 (10 yrs. X $30,000 per year)</td>
<td>$300,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NBV of original asset at the end of year 10 ($1,350,000 - $300,000) on Department of the Army’s accounting records</td>
<td>$1,050,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Capital Improvement – added at the beginning of year 11 of original building’s useful life on the Defense Logistics Agency’s accounting records</td>
<td>$500,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Useful life of capital improvement (yrs.)²</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annual Depreciation Expense for the capital improvement (using straight-line depreciation) ($500,000 ÷ 20)</td>
<td>$25,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Depreciation for the original value of building would continue on an annual basis for the next 35 years (45 yrs. (original useful life) - 10 yrs. (expired useful life)) to be recorded in the accounting records of the Department of the Army</td>
<td>$30,000 annual depreciation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Depreciation for the capital improvement would be recorded over the estimated 20 year useful life of the improvement to be recorded in the accounting records of the Defense Logistics Agency</td>
<td>$25,000 annual depreciation</td>
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¹ From Table 24-1
² If an Engineering Estimate for the useful life of the capital improvement were available, the Engineering Estimate would be used rather than the useful life from Table 24-1

A50101. Establishing Opening Balances for Buildings, Structures and Linear Structures

A. The alternative valuation methods for establishing opening balances for Property, Plant and Equipment described in Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards (SFFAS) 50, “Establishing Opening Balances for General Property, Plant and Equipment: Amending Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards (SFFAS) 6, SFFAS 10, SFFAS 23, and Rescinding SFFAS 35” is available only once to each reporting Component. Therefore, prior to the establishment of opening balances for buildings, structures and linear structures (real property facilities), Department of Defense (DoD) Components must validate that they are prepared to account for and comply with the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure requirements for real property in accordance with FASAB SFFAS 6, “Accounting for Property, Plant and Equipment.”

B. If historical cost, as described in SFFAS 6, has not already been recorded and included in financial statements that have been audited by an Independent Public Accountant and received an unmodified opinion, deemed cost will be used as a surrogate to establish opening balances for real property. In this context, deemed cost is an amount used as a surrogate for initial amounts that otherwise would be required by SFFAS 6 to establish opening balances. Although deemed cost may be based on any one of, or a combination of, allowable valuation methods such as fair value, estimated historical cost, or replacement cost (which includes Plant Replacement Value (PRV)), DoD’s selected valuation method for real property facilities is PRV. Once established using PRV, opening balances will be used as a surrogate for the initial amounts that would have existed had an SFFAS 6 compliant valuation method been used.

C. Only existing real property assets with a gross PRV value equal to or over the current real property capitalization threshold and with a remaining book value will be recorded as a part of the opening balance. When evaluating real property for the purpose of establishing opening balances, DoD Components should apply the applicable capitalization threshold to their entire population of real property retroactively, irrespective of the capitalization thresholds in effect for years prior to October 1, 2013. The current real property threshold is $250,000 for both the General Fund and Working Capital Fund (WCF), except for the National Security Agency (NSA) and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) for which the threshold is $1 million. When establishing real property opening balances, DoD Components need to take the appropriate steps to ensure all relevant prior period adjustments and note disclosures are included in their annual financial statements in accordance with SFFAS 50. As part of their evaluation, DoD Components should not simply value assets already recorded above the capitalization threshold. DoD Components should perform additional analytical procedures to identify any assets that have been improperly capitalized or expensed. Examples of this type of review can include searching for real property assets with values of $0 or $1 which are indications of erroneous values. An additional example can include real property for which an additional zero was added in error, incorrectly placing the asset above the capitalization threshold.
D. When establishing opening balances using Deemed Cost:

1. DoD Components will calculate a gross value and an accumulated depreciation value for real property assets. Both the gross value Deemed Cost and accumulated depreciation Deemed Cost will be recorded in the accounting records. The difference between the Net Book Value (NBV) of the Deemed Cost on the opening Balance Sheet of the current fiscal year presented and the existing/historical NBV of the real property as of the ending Balance Sheet of the previous fiscal year, is considered a prior period adjustment. This prior period adjustment represents a change in accounting principle in accordance with paragraph 13 of FASAB SFFAS 21, “Reporting Corrections of Errors and Changes in Accounting Principles, Amendment of SFFAS 7, Accounting for Revenue and Other Financing Sources.” If any depreciation based on the original historical real property value has been recorded in the year in which the prior period adjustment for Deemed Cost is recorded, that depreciation expense should be reversed and depreciation for the Deemed Cost value should be recorded.

2. Any adjustment must be properly documented and supported to assist ongoing audit efforts including retaining documentation of the existing/historical real property value in the Accountable Property System of Record (APSR) and documentation supporting the Deemed Cost value. The existing/historical gross value and accumulated depreciation of the real property will need to be removed from the APSR and be replaced with the new gross value and accumulated depreciation for Deemed Cost.

A50102. Financial Statement Disclosure Requirements

DoD Components who apply the PRV deemed cost methodology to adjust their opening real property balances, must disclose in their financial statements that an alternative valuation method was applied in establishing their opening balances and describe the method used in the first reporting period in which the reporting Component makes an unreserved assertion that its financial statements, or one or more line items, are presented fairly in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). An unreserved assertion is an unconditional statement. No disclosure of the distinction or breakout of the amount of deemed cost of real property included in the opening balances is required.

A50103. Deemed Cost Methodology

A. The DoD’s selected deemed cost methodology for establishing opening balances in the absence of previously audited historical costs is current replacement cost or PRV, as calculated using the DoD’s PRV model. The PRV approach has been selected as the preferred method for the following reasons:

1. Cost and time effectiveness: The PRV model already exists and values are required to be updated annually for all assets;

2. Many of the key data elements required by the PRV model have been validated by the DoD Components during their existence and completeness procedures;
3. Consistency: The PRV model provides a common approach for DoD to establish and support its opening balances for these assets.

B. The use of deemed cost does not change the requirement that documentation be available to support asset values. Therefore, documentation must exist to support the values (e.g., support for data element inputs for PRV model calculations).

A50104. PRV Responsibilities

A. The successful use of the PRV model in establishing opening balances requires specific actions on the part of the DoD Components, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD). OSD specific actions are carried out by the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), Financial Improvement and Audit Remediation Directorate; and the Office of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Sustainment). A summary of responsibilities:

1. DoD Components are responsible for:

   a. First, key PRV data element inputs are accurate. Each of the data elements that have been included are a required data element in the Financial Improvement and Audit Readiness (FIAR) Guidance for existence and completeness procedures or can be derived from those procedures. The critical data elements for the PRV model are:

      (1) Real Property Site Unique Identifier (RPSUID);

      (2) Real Property Unique Identifier (RPUID);

      (3) Real Property Asset (RPA) Interest Type;

      (4) Asset Allocation Current Use Category Code;

      (5) Asset Allocation Current Use Facility Analysis Category (FAC) Code;

      (6) Asset Allocation Size Quantity;

      (7) Asset Allocation Unit of Measure Code; and

      (8) RPA Historic Status Code.

   b. Second, additional data elements are required to apply and report the PRV values are accurate.

      (1) RPA Placed in Service Date. This data element is important for depreciation purposes. See subparagraph A50106 for guidance on determining placed in service date.
(2) Government Investment Percentage (For Government / Private Agreement (GVPV) interest type only). The amount of the Government’s investment as a percentage of an asset’s total value is required for GVPV interest types in order to allocate DoD’s portion of the total PRV.

e. Third, documentation exists and is readily available to support the Asset Allocation Size Quantity, RPA Historic Status Code, RPA Placed in Service Date, and Government Investment Percentage (for GVPV interest types).

d. Fourth, processes, controls, and systems are in place to value newly acquired assets at actual cost in accordance with SFFAS 6.

e. Fifth, valuation calculations are performed correctly using the PRV formula and appropriate cost factors and adjustments found in the Unified Facilities Criteria 3-701-01 (UFC 3-701-01), “DoD Facilities Pricing Guide”.

f. Sixth, resulting accounting adjustments are performed accurately and timely, are supported with sufficient documentation, and are reflected in the DoD Component’s APSR, general ledger, and financial statements.

2. OSD is responsible for ensuring that:

a. The PRV model itself is supportable from a financial statement audit perspective. OSD will evaluate the processes, procedures, systems and controls that produce the PRV tables, factors, indexes, and functions, and reviewing the model outputs for overall reasonableness.

b. DoD estimated useful lives for depreciation purposes are supportable.

A50105. Steps to Establish Deemed Cost Using PRV

A. DoD Components will perform several steps to develop opening balances using the PRV approach. In summary, DoD Components will:

1. Validate all asset data that the DoD Components used to calculate and apply PRV values (see subparagraph A50104.A.1);

2. Calculate each asset’s PRV as found in the DoD UFC 3-701-01. Capital improvements are included within the PRV calculation and do not need to be valued or depreciated separately from the base asset as part of this initial process. Each DoD Component’s management must formally document the review and acceptance of the resulting values;

3. For assets with a GVPV interest type, the percentage of DoD’s interest in the asset will be multiplied by the asset’s total PRV to calculate the amount the DoD
Component will report. Only assets where DoD’s portion of the PRV is equal to or more than $250,000 for both the General Fund and WCF and $1 million for NSA and ODNI will be reported;

4. Identify all DoD accountable General Property, Plant, and Equipment (general PP&E) (commonly known as FEE assets) with a PRV equal to or more than $250,000 for both the General Fund and WCF and $1 million for NSA and ODNI. These assets will be considered capitalized assets and must be reported on the DoD Component’s Balance Sheet. For the purpose of establishing opening balances, the current real property capitalization threshold of $250,000 for both the General Fund and WCF and $1 million for NSA and ODNI will be applied to all existing real property assets; and

5. Adjust, as appropriate, the DoD Component’s APSR, general ledger, and financial statements upon establishing the beginning balance. Documentation supporting any adjustments must be maintained.

A50106. Determining Placed in Service Date

A. The Real Property Information Model (RPIM) defines RPA Placed in Service Date as “the calendar date the real property asset is available for use by DoD and the Government assumes liability and the warranties and receives legal interest.” The UFC 1-300-08, “Criteria for Transfer and Acceptance of DoD Real Property”, notes this date as “the date an interim Transfer and Acceptance of Military Real Property document (DD Form 1354) is signed and title for assets listed on the acceptance form is transferred to the DoD on behalf of the U.S. Government.”

B. To assure consistent and accurate placed in service dates, DoD Components must adhere to one of the following methods, and ensure that sufficient supporting documentation exists for auditors to validate the date recorded. Existing guidance that describes how placed in service dates for real property assets will be determined is presented in Table A5-1 (which is illustrated as Chart 1 within the Real Property Acceptance Requirements document).
Table A5-1

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Acquisition Method</th>
<th>Source Document</th>
<th>Acceptance Date</th>
<th>Effective Date</th>
<th>Acquisition Date¹</th>
<th>RPA Place in Service Date² (Depreciation Triggering Event)</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>New construction</td>
<td>DD form 1354</td>
<td>Executed interim DD Form 1354 transaction</td>
<td>Date specified in DD Form 1354 transaction</td>
<td>Date first interim DD Form 1354 transaction is executed</td>
<td>Date interim DD Form 1354 transaction is executed</td>
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<tr>
<td>Purchase (can include Exchange)</td>
<td>Deed</td>
<td>Executed interim DD Form 1354 transaction</td>
<td>Date of delivery/recordation</td>
<td>Date of delivery/recordation</td>
<td>Acquisition Date</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lease/Grant</td>
<td>Lease/Grant</td>
<td>Signed lease/grant</td>
<td>Grant Start Date</td>
<td>Date lease signed</td>
<td>Grant start date (Not applicable for depreciation)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transfer between Services</td>
<td>DD Form 1354</td>
<td>Executed interim DD Form 1354 transaction</td>
<td>Date specified in transaction</td>
<td>Date of Original transaction when United States Government acquired title or legal interest in the asset (Acquisition Date for the transferring Service)</td>
<td>Original DoD RPA Placed in Service Date as shown by the transferring Service</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inventory Adjustment</td>
<td>Tier documentation noted in Table A5-3</td>
<td>Executed interim DD Form 1354 transaction</td>
<td>Date based on Tier documentation noted in Table A5-3</td>
<td>Date based on Tier documentation noted in Table A5-3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transfer from one federal Component to another</td>
<td>Transfer letter, SF 1334</td>
<td>Executed interim DD Form 1354 transaction</td>
<td>Date specified in document</td>
<td>Date the United States Government acquired title or legal interest in the asset</td>
<td>Acquisition Date</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Condemnation</td>
<td>Judgment document</td>
<td>Executed interim DD Form 1354 transaction/ Signed Judgment</td>
<td>Declaration of Taking is accepted by a court</td>
<td>Declaration of Taking is accepted by a court</td>
<td>Acquisition Date</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reversion</td>
<td>Reversion legal document</td>
<td>Executed interim DD Form 1354 transaction</td>
<td>Date of executed reversionary document</td>
<td>Date of executed reversionary document</td>
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<tr>
<td>Gifts and donations</td>
<td>Executed acquisition document</td>
<td>Deed delivery/recordation</td>
<td>Date of acquisition document</td>
<td>Date of acquisition document</td>
<td>Acquisition Date</td>
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### C. In the absence of information noted in Table A5-1, the guidance in Table A5-2 should be used.

Table A5-2  

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Governing Document Reference</th>
<th>Placed in Service Date Determination</th>
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<tr>
<td>FASAB - SFFAS 6, Paragraph 34</td>
<td>“PP&amp;E shall be recognized when title passes to the acquiring entity or when the PP&amp;E is delivered to the entity or an agent of the entity.”</td>
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</table>
| FASAB – SFFAS 6, Paragraph 40 and SFFAS 50, Paragraph 13 | “In some cases, the in-service date must be estimated. In estimating the year that the base unit was placed in service, if only a range of years can be identified, then the midpoint of the range is an acceptable estimate of the in-service date.”  
“It is not necessary to separately identify the in-service date for material improvements included in the opening balances of a base unit. All improvements included in the opening balances at deemed cost may be treated as if they were placed in-service at the date the base unit was placed in-service.” |
| Chapter 24, Paragraph 240206.C | “The event that triggers the calculation of depreciation is the date the real property asset is placed in service (regardless of whether it is actually used).” |
| Defense Finance and Accounting Service 7900.4-M, Financial Management Systems Requirements Manual Volume 3, Property, Plant and Equipment, page 41, August 2014 | “Property, Plant and Equipment (PP&E) shall be recognized when title passes to the acquiring entity or when the PP&E is delivered to the entity or to an agent of the entity. In the case of constructed Property, PP&E, the PP&E shall be recorded as construction work in process until it is placed in service, at which time the balance shall be transferred to general PP&E in the system.” |
D. DoD Components must review real property asset records for the existence and adequacy of documentation to support placed in service information. In reviewing asset records, answers to the following questions must be answered:

1. Does sufficient documentation exist?

2. Does alternative documentation need to be used?

3. Is the placed in service date clearly identified and marked on supporting documents?

4. Are all required appropriate/authorized signatures noted on documentation?

E. Documentation to support the placed in service date is vital to the completeness of both functional and financial records. GAAP allows for alternative placed in service methodologies where adequate historical documentation does not exist. These estimates of cost and placed in service date must be fully supported, and information retained in accordance with National Archives and Records Administration requirements described in Volume 1, Chapter 9. Table A5-3 lists examples of supporting documentation for placed in service date in descending order of preference.

Table A5-3

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<tr>
<th>Documentation for Placed in Service Date</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Tier</th>
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<tr>
<td>Source Documentation (noted in Table A5-1)</td>
<td>Noted in the second column of Table A5-1.</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tax Assessor Records</td>
<td>If adequate historical placed in service date is not available, a search of the county tax assessor's website for the asset and the purchase date should be used to determine a reasonable estimate for placed in service date.</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dedication Plaque</td>
<td>If adequate historical placed in service date is not available, a search of the physical asset should be conducted for a dedication plaque. Once the dedication plaque has been found, ensure that it references the DoD as owners. If DoD is listed as owners, obtain a photograph of the dedication plaque with an inscription indicating the dedication date. If DoD is not listed on the plaque, the date should not be used as an alternative for placed in service date.</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cornerstone</td>
<td>If adequate historical placed in service date is not available, search the physical asset for a cornerstone. If the cornerstone is found, obtain a photograph of the cornerstone. The cornerstone should be located on the outside of the building or structure with an inscription on the stone indicating the construction date. This date would be used for the placed in service date.</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Earliest Site Plot of Asset</td>
<td>If adequate historical placed in service date is not available, search online in the DoD Component database for the earliest site plot or asset drawing available. Once found, the date on the earliest plot or asset drawing may be used as a reasonable alternative for placed in service date.</td>
<td>2</td>
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Documentation for Placed in Service Date

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Earliest Maintenance Record of Asset or Engineering Estimates (e.g., Engineering Form 3013)</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>If adequate historical placed in service date is not available, search for work order or maintenance records from Department of Public Works or real property accountable officer or local program office. Once found, the date of the earliest recorded work order or maintenance may be used as a reasonable alternative for placed in service date.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Placed in Service Date of Major Asset on Site</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>If adequate historical placed in service date is not available, research and obtain the actual or alternate placed in service date established from a major asset on the DoD site. A major asset can be defined as a significant asset that is critical to the primary function of the site. The major assets may vary based on the purpose of the site. For example, a tower would be a major asset at a communications station, a house would be a major asset at a housing site, and a lighthouse would be a major asset for a site that includes the lighthouse, housing units, as well as other assets such as driveways, fences, and storage buildings that were established to support the lighthouse. For other sites, such as air stations, units, or sectors that may have multiple functions, a major asset could be a building where many of the management and administrative activities occur. The major assets must be located within the same real property site. Upon obtaining the placed in service date of the major asset, use the placed in service date of the major asset as the reasonable alternative for the placed in service date of the supporting assets in question. If more than one major asset has a reliable placed in service date on the site, and the placed in service date of the major assets are different, then use the placed in service date of the oldest asset on the site. Once found, the placed in service date of the oldest major asset may be used as a reasonable alternative for placed in service date.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Construction Style</td>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>If adequate historical placed in service date is not available, a search for assets on the DoD site of a similar construction style or period. Once found, the placed in service date of the similar style asset may be used as a reasonable alternative for placed in service date. If only a range of years can be identified, then the mid-point of the range is an acceptable estimate of the placed in service date.</td>
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A50107. Definitions

A. Asset Allocation Current Use Category Code: A Military Service designator that represents the current use by the assigned user of a specific portion of a RPA.

B. Asset Allocation Current Use FAC Code: An OSD level designator that represents the current use by the assigned user of a specific portion of the RPA.

C. Asset Allocation Size Quantity: The amount of the asset granted for use based on the Asset Allocation Current Use FAC and expressed in terms of the Asset Allocation Unit of Measure Code.

D. Asset Allocation Unit of Measure Code: The unit of measure code used for the measurement of the associated Asset Allocation Size Quantity.
E. **Building:** A roofed and floored facility enclosed by exterior walls and consisting of one or more levels that is suitable for single or multiple functions and that protects human beings and their properties from direct harsh effects of weather such as rain, wind and sun.

F. **City Code:** The code used to identify the city or the nearest city to where the real property asset or real property site is located. The nearest city shall be in the same county as the asset.

G. **Country Code:** The Geopolitical Component Names, and Codes standard, code used to identify the country in which the real property asset or site is located.

H. **County Code:** The code used to identify the county in which the real property asset or site is located. This code identifies counties and equivalent administrative entities of the U.S., its possessions, and associated areas as defined by the Federal Information Processing Series (FIPS) and found in the General Services Administration (GSA) Geographic Locator Codes (GLCs) or the county equivalent for countries not covered in the GSA GLCs. A County Code is only unique if it is combined with a State or Country Primary Subdivision Code in the areas listed in the GSA GLCs or with the Country Code for areas not in the GSA GLCs.

I. **Deemed Cost:** An amount used as a surrogate for initial amounts that otherwise would be required by SFFAS 6 to establish opening balances.

J. **Fair Value:** The amount at which an asset or liability could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

K. **GVPV:** An interest in a real property asset held by the U.S. Government acquired by a mutually beneficial partnership agreement between a Military Department or WHS and a private entity, where equity interest in a project is shared for a specific business purpose. This interest type applies when the DoD has ongoing reported financial statement costs directly associated with an asset(s) gained by the project or the asset is located on a military installation.

L. **Linear Structure:** A facility whose function requires that it traverse land (e.g., runway, road, rail line, pipeline, fence, pavement, electrical distribution line) or is otherwise managed or reported by a linear unit of measure at the category code level.

M. **Opening Balances:** Account balances that exist at the beginning of the reporting period. Opening balances are based upon the closing balances of the prior period and reflect the effects of transactions and events of prior periods and accounting policies applied in the prior period. Opening balances also include matters requiring disclosure that existed at the beginning of the period, such as contingencies and commitments.

N. **PRV:** A value, recorded in U.S. dollars, which represents the cost to design and construct a facility to current standards for replacement of an existing facility at the same location.
O. **RPA Historic Status Code**: A code used to identify the current historical status of a RPA.

P. **RPA Interest Type Code**: A code used to identify the type of legal interest that DoD holds in a RPA.

Q. **RPSUID**: A unique non-intelligent code used to permanently identify real property sites. A real property site is a specific geographic location that has individual land parcels and/or facilities assigned to it. The City Code, County Code, State or Country Primary Subdivision Code and Country Code associated to the RPSUID will provide location information necessary for location cost factors.

R. **RPUID**: A unique non-intelligent code used to permanently identify a real property asset.

S. **State or Country Primary Subdivision Code**: The code used to identify the primary subdivision of a country such as a state, the District of Columbia, or a possession in which the real property asset or site is located.

T. **Structure**: A facility, other than a building or linear structure, that is constructed on or in the land.

A50108. **Establishing Opening Balances for Land and Land Rights**

A. This paragraph does not change existing accounting or financial reporting guidance regarding Stewardship Land, including guidance in Chapter 28.

B. All DoD Components that have not yet undergone a financial statement audit where they received an unmodified audit opinion will exclude the value of general PP&E land and land rights from opening balances of general PP&E on their Balance Sheet. This means that DoD Components who have not undergone a financial statement audit where they received an unmodified audit opinion will adjust their land and land rights opening balances to zero. A DoD Component that has received an unmodified audit opinion will continue to account for land and land rights in accordance with SFFAS 6.

C. Entries in the DoD Component accounting systems/records to adjust the value of land and land rights to zero are subject to the reporting requirements under paragraph 13 of FASAB SFFAS 21, “Reporting Corrections of Errors and Changes in Accounting Principles, Amendment of SFFAS 7, Accounting for Revenue and Other Financing Sources.” Accordingly, the entries will be reflected as a change in accounting principle. Any adjustments must be properly documented and supported to assist ongoing audit efforts.

D. DoD Components adjusting their land and land rights to zero in accordance with subparagraph A50108.B will also expense future general PP&E land and land rights acquisitions.
E. DoD Components must disclose, in the notes to their financial statements, with a reference on the Balance Sheet, the number of acres of general PP&E land and land rights (where the types of land rights are conducive to measurement in acres) held as of the period of its first audited financial statement. This acreage amount must be reported separately from the DoD Component's Stewardship Land. There are no disclosure requirements for general PP&E land rights not measured in acres in establishing opening balances.

F. For all years after the first audited financial statements are reported, DoD Components must disclose, in the notes to their financial statements, with a reference on the Balance Sheet, the number of acres of general PP&E land and land rights measured in acres held at the beginning of each reporting period, the number of acres added during the period, the number of acres disposed of during the period, and the number of acres held at the end of each reporting period. These acreage amounts must be reported separately from the DoD Component's Stewardship Land. There are no disclosure requirements for general PP&E land rights not measured in acres.