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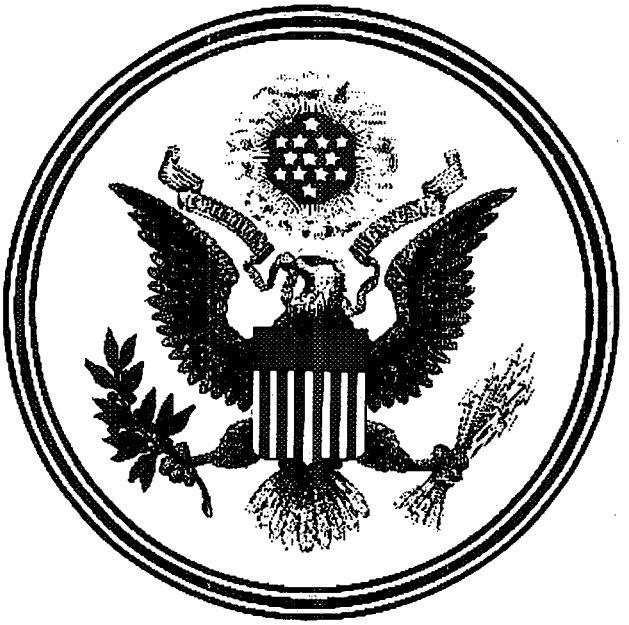
The Honorable Sue Turner
Commissioner

DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION



NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA REGIONAL HEARING

JULY 22, 2005

MISSISSIPPI, LOUISIANA, FLORIDA

→ New VA Biloxi?

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Gulfport VA - psych
Biloxi VA - nsg home
☆ no excess capacity for AD!

July MISSISSIPPI

Lt Gov Amy Tuck:
ANG - no consultation w/ Gov or TAG
☆☆ Gulfport VA - scheduled for closure

Rep Gene Taylor: Gulf Coast rep
"outsource GME" - USAF SG
Keesler - got Ø for condition 1dg - should be 11.5 of 12.5
└ 56K beneficiaries JCSG - no coord w/ VA + local hosp.

Lt G Clark Griffith - Keesler Team See p 2

PASCAGOULA Naval Station - Jim Brooks (ret Northrup Grumman Ships)
Gulf coast will be vulnerable - ports, cruise terminals, ship builders, sea lanes, oil fields & gas fields, 30 refineries, Liq Nat Gas refineries or terminals, pipelines, nuke plants + more
Where is homeland defense? navy strat presence?
great! → "A Virtual presence is an actual absence!"
Ideally located to cover coastline - 3rd coast in US!
Costs: comped to Mayport. Actual 8M/yr cost of part time coverage??

Stennis Space Center - only moving Naval HR Center - Chuck Benvenutti
Top rated ☆ Want to consolidate at Stennis vs Philadelphia
DOD-owned - Level 1 - rent free - $12.53/sq ft ops cost
Expand SE 3M vs Phillly 8.5M Higher Mil Val
New tenant - NASA ~~HR~~ Shared Service Center

Very secure. COBRA #s incorrect.

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Keesler Med Ctr - Lt Gen Clark Griffith

81 Trnqueling 44K/yr

2nd largest hosp

2004 — 128 open heart surg

GME - Referral Center for region

Deployment - 1068 past 5yr

Student population concern

Peach — used FY 2002 #s → computer model. No coord.

Mil Val - 45% got low scores.

Lower ML MTFs stay open (all have ↓ ADPL)

No credit for GME, credit for health care quality.

☆ Closing impt achieves unstated goal of eliminating GME.

No comparative analysis by MJCSG.

Local hosp cannot "take up GME programs"

Community Infrastructure Assessment — No Issues.

NO REVIEW DONE.

Licensed bed vs staffed bed

Biloxi 153/90 85 daily full no excess capacity

licensed staffed

ISSUE Licensed vs staffed beds

Physician shortage area - spec - 72% GP - 64% 75% dentists

↓ TriCare fees by 25% over next 6yr

No capacity No specialists Doc don't like TriCare

No GME takers

Savings $30M — wrong NMT $10M

Personnel - no end strength Δ. Likely ↑ Humana charges. to accommodate Δ in contract

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KEY FIELD AGS – 186th Air Refueling Wing

Rep Chip Pickering

Lt Col Langford Knight (ANG ret)

12 Tankers — Parks 17 135Rs move

Fire fighters → Jackson MS

Current: 1 refueler to 5,5 receiver – Rec goes ↑ to 17,5 receivers

* Optimal proximity – 250 mi — Rec Δs availability of tankers SE

Rec ↑ receivers in SE incl JSF for overwater routes.

Per satie costs (gas / hrs people) ↑

Extra transit time wasteful. Lose combat tested flight crews.

Lease $1/yr → 2047

Simulator 3M to move not included.

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LOUISIANA

✓ Sen Mary Landrieu
✓ Gov Kathleen Blanco
✓ Sen David Vitter – Keep on list as realignment to start Fed City? What would leave, anything?
Minden Armory to state – for training
750K start for Fed City – guaranteed 50~100 M
Est $20M savings – 18 mo faster

Fed City out – BRACs the BRAC

✓ Rep Wm. Jefferson – "synergy" – Q of life issues – community service –
✓ Rep Bobby Jindal
✓ Mayor Ray Nagin – Tax Increment Financing District

PPV – could be big penalty

Tests software

DISA – Shidell Mayor Ben Morris
$1/yr rent Force Protection OK
Don't close but rather expand it.
✗ Nuclear blast resistant – reinforced – basement.
Consolidate TE1 (Falls Church) + TE2 in Shidell and save about 1M/mo rent at Skyline 7; save milcon

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NSA New Orleans - Federal City Complex

MV = 41 of 337

Cost Savings $25M less than stated

Top 15% IT & Spt activities

Why move? ↓ staff, but moving cost $193M

USN Philos — collaborate but not co-locate

Separates ~~Marine~~ Naval Reserves from Marine Forces

Personnel Costs — no real savings or reductions USN/USMC

End Strength Reduction - can't count previously ↓ USN #s twice

Savings overestimated

PPV — liability could be ~~$100M~~ $9-11M if PPV closed

Cumulative economic factors — not considered

12 to 9 LPD ships.

1200 job losses — 863 contractors — 940 reservists

DOD expects to save 27M — actual 20M.

Subsidies + Discounts for Military

98 SPAWAR - 4 state built IT buildings 61M

99 Belle Chasse - 226M construction

99 Federal City 750K to start 200M proposed } state/city

West Side Only

Co-locate USCG, USN, USMC, USA, DHS

DHS + NorthCom love concept - Homeland defense + security

When? initial occupancy 7/08

Saves $230M costs

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FLORIDA

Adm. NATHER - Intro

- Wants a "R" to add nuclear capability to Mayport. to serve as potential carrier port c̄ 30" to open sea vs Norfolk 3 hr
- Cecil Field (former master jet base) - move Oceana no encroachment;

Rep Ander Crenshaw - Intro JAX

John Payton - JAX Mayor

Claim $2.5B savings over 20 yr with current Recs.

LC ave alone ☆

Cong Dave Weldon + Capt Wm Borges - Cape Canaveral AFS

Re: Naval Ordnance Test Unit (NOTU)

USN analysis shortly before LIST stated opposite.

Supports missile tests

↓ Mil val - ↑ transit time, mission conflicts, ↑ costs, ~~↑ mission time~~

Inaccurate # contractors in model.

King's Bay transit time longer than NOTU

Time to launch point 4x longer. No improved ATFP

KEEP x2 DFAS Saufley Fld #2 / Pensacola #6

PENSACOLA Congr Jeff Miller and VAdm. Jack Fetterman

1. Perhaps Newport should move to Pensacola?

Sen Bill Nelson - need 2 nuclear carrier ports (Do MAYPORT ASAP)

Sen Mel Martinez -

Gov Jeb Bush -