

**ARKANSAS**

<b>Reserve Component</b>	
<b>Gains</b>	<b>Losses</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build 8 multi-component Armed Forces Reserve Centers and a Joint Maintenance Facility</li> <li>• Realign Camp Pike Reserve Complex by disestablishing the 90th RRC and activating a Sustainment Brigade</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Close 7 Army Reserve Centers and 1 maintenance facility</li> <li>• Realign 2 Army Reserve Centers</li> <li>• Close 13 Readiness Centers and two maintenance facilities with State permission</li> </ul>
<b>Pine Bluff Arsenal</b>	
<b>Gains</b>	<b>Losses</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relocate units into a new AFRC from a closed Army Reserve Center</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>

<b>Army Net Personnel Impacts</b>			<b>Active Army MILCON (\$M)</b>	<b>Army Economic Impact (\$M)</b>
<b>Military</b>	<b>Civilian</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>	<b>Total State Salary Change</b>
0	0	0	\$0.0	\$0.0

- The Army intends to transform Pine Bluff Arsenal into a multi-functional Munitions Center of Excellence.
- Closing RC facilities is offset by the construction of modern AFRCs that will be the right size and design to support units that will be stationed there. Transforming Reserve Component facilities in Arkansas will improve training, readiness and quality of life for more than 2600 RC soldiers, full-time unit support personnel, and their families.

## **Transform Reserve Component Facilities in the State of Arkansas**

**BRAC 2005 recommendations transform Reserve Component facilities in the State of Arkansas into multi-functional installations that will enhance unit readiness, increase training opportunities, and generate operational efficiencies. These transformed facilities will provide the capability to conduct Soldier Readiness Processing and Home Station Mobilization, reduce the number of substandard / undersized Reserve Component facilities, enhance Anti-Terror / Force-Protection, promote effective recruiting and retention, and enhance the Homeland Security and Homeland Defense capabilities of the Army Reserve and the Army National Guard.**

### **Armed Forces Reserve Center (AFRC) Arkadelphia (New Facility)**

Close the United States Army Reserve Center, Arkadelphia, Arkansas and re-locate units into a new Armed Forces Reserve Center in Arkadelphia, if the Army is able to acquire suitable land for the construction of the facilities. The new AFRC shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas National Guard units from the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Arkadelphia if the State of Arkansas decides to relocate those units.

### **AFRC Camden (Addition/Alteration)**

Close the United States Army Reserve Center, Camden, Arkansas and relocate units into an Armed Forces Reserve Center by converting the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Camden if the state decides to alter their facility.

### **AFRC El Dorado (New Facility)**

Close the United States Army Reserve Center, El Dorado, Arkansas and re-locate units into a new Armed Forces Reserve Center in El Dorado, if the Army is able to acquire suitable land for the construction of the facilities. The new AFRC shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas National Guard units from the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, El Dorado if the state decides to relocate those National Guard units.

### **AFRC Fort Chaffee (New Facility)**

Realign the Army Reserve Center, Darby, Arkansas, by relocating the 341st Engineer Company and elements of the 75th Division (Exercise) from buildings #2552-2560, 2516, and 2519, Fort Chaffee, AR into a new Armed Forces Reserve Center, on Fort Chaffee, AR. The new AFRC shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas National Guard units from the following Arkansas National Guard Readiness Centers: the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Charleston, AR, the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Van Buren, AR, and the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Fort Smith, AR, if the state decides to relocate those National Guard units.

### **Joint Maintenance Facility, Fort Chaffee (New Facility)**

Close the Army Reserve Equipment Concentration Site (ECS), Barling, Arkansas and relocate units to a new Joint Maintenance Facility on Fort Chaffee, Arkansas. The new Joint Maintenance Facility shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas National Guard units from the

Arkansas Army National Guard Combined Support Maintenance Shop (CSMS) on Fort Chaffee if the State of Arkansas decides to relocate those units.

**AFRC Hot Springs (New Facility)**

Close the United States Army Reserve Center, Hot Springs, Arkansas and the United States Army Reserve Organizational Maintenance Activity (OMS), Malvern, AR and relocate units to a new Armed Forces Reserve Center on property located in Hot Springs, AR, if the Army is able to acquire suitable land for the construction of the facilities. The new AFRC shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas Army National Guard units from the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center in Hot Springs, AR if the State of Arkansas decides to relocate those units.

**AFRC Jonesboro (New Facility)**

Close the United States Army Reserve Center, Jonesboro, Arkansas and relocate units into a new Armed Forces Reserve Center and Field Maintenance Site in Jonesboro, AR if the Army is able to acquire suitable land for the construction of the facilities. The new AFRC shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas National Guard units from the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Jonesboro, AR, the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Paragould, AR and the Field Maintenance Site (FMS), Jonesboro, if the state decides to relocate those National Guard units.

**AFRC Northwest Arkansas (New Facility)**

Close the Pond United States Army Reserve Center, Fayetteville, Arkansas and re-locate units into a new Armed Forces Reserve Center in Northwest Arkansas, if the Army is able to acquire suitable land for the construction of the facilities. The new AFRC shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas National Guard units from the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Centers in Fayetteville, Springdale, Rogers and Bentonville, Arkansas if the State of Arkansas decides to relocate those units.

**AFRC Pine Bluff (New Facility)**

Close the Stone United States Army Reserve Center, Pine Bluff, Arkansas and re-locate units into a new Armed Forces Reserve Center on Pine Bluff Arsenal, Arkansas. The new AFRC shall have the capability to accommodate Arkansas National Guard units from the Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Center, Pine Bluff if the state decides to relocate those National Guard units.

**Why:** The implementation of this recommendation will enhance military value, improve homeland defense capability, greatly improve training and deployment capability, create significant efficiencies and cost savings, and is consistent with the Army's force structure plans and Army transformational objectives.

This recommendation considered feasible locations within the demographic and geographic areas of the closing facilities and affected units. The sites selected were determined as the best locations because they optimized the Reserve Components ability to recruit and retain Reserve Component soldiers and to train and mobilize units impacted by this recommendation.

This recommendation provides the opportunity for other Local, State, or Federal organizations to partner with the Reserve Components to enhance Homeland Security and Homeland Defense at a reduced cost to those agencies.

**Other**

The Department of Defense understands that the State of Arkansas will close fifteen Arkansas Army National Guard Readiness Centers: Charleston, Van Buren, Fort Smith, Jonesboro, Paragould, El Dorado, Pine Bluff, Arkadelphia, Fayetteville, Springdale, Rogers, Bentonville, and Hot Springs, the Fort Chaffee Combined Support Maintenance Shop and the Jonesboro Field Maintenance Shop. The Armed Forces Reserve Centers will have the capability to accommodate these units if the State decides to relocate the units from these closed facilities into the new AFRCs.

**Quantitative Results**

USAR Facilities closing	8	ARNG Facilities closing	15
Approximate Closing Square Footage	614,538	Approximate New Military Construction Square Footage	586,916

**Estimated Implementation Timeline:**

Design new AFRCs and acquire land	FY06	Construct new AFRCs	FY07
Relocate units to new AFRCs	FY08	Shut down closing facilities	FY08

**Internal Communications:**

- The Army knows that transforming Reserve Component facilities is the key to enable Reserve forces to better meet current and future operational requirements. BRAC helps us get there.
- Closing these Reserve Component facilities is offset by the construction of a modern Armed Forces Reserve Center that will be the right size and design to support our unit and other local Guard and Reserve units that will be stationed there.
- Transforming Reserve Component facilities in the State of Arkansas will improve training, readiness and quality of life for more than 2600 Reserve Component soldiers, full-time unit support personnel, and their families.

**External Communications: (Civilian community)**

- The Secretary of Defense’s BRAC 2005 recommendations demonstrate that Reserve Component facilities are valuable installations to the Army and DoD.

- The Department of the Army has more than 4000 Reserve Component facilities across the United States. Because of the sheer numbers of these facilities, the process the Army had developed for arriving at a quantitative military value score for its 97 major installations (including leases) was not practical for its Reserve Component facilities. Additionally, if measured by the active process, which valued training lands and ranges among other things, the Reserve Component facilities would not have compared well against the active installations. For these reasons, it was the military judgment of the Department of the Army that it needed to craft a unique approach for ascertaining the overall military value of Reserve Component facilities.
- A team of functional experts from Headquarters, Department of the Army, the Office of the State Adjutant General, and the Army Reserve Regional Readiness Command conducted a military value assessment of state-owned and Army Reserve sub-threshold facilities. These facilities were assessed, specifically against DoD Criteria one through four, in their ability to support joint stationing options that enhance Army and DoD transformation.
- The Department of the Army decided to consolidate multiple Army Reserve Centers and, where allowed, Army National Guard Armories into modern Armed Forces Reserve Centers because of their potential to enhance Reserve Component operations, training, mobilization and power projection capabilities, and their ability to sustain recruiting and retention.
- The sites for the new AFRCs are also based on their ability to consolidate functions wherever appropriate, to include schools, personnel, logistics, and other management functions.
- New AFRC sites were also selected based on their ability to relocate Reserve Component units and activities from leased and encroached properties that do not meet anti-terrorism and force-protection requirements onto established military facilities, and their ability to ensure the future readiness of Army forces while reducing the long-term costs of sustaining the base structure.
- It is a part of the plan to transform our Armed Services.
- We expect the demands on the community and the benefits to the community from the closure of these Reserve Component properties and the construction of a new Armed Forces Reserve Center will be minimal.

#### **Approving BRAC Recommendations - Statutory Steps:**

08 Sept 05	BRAC Commission recommendations due to President
23 Sept 05	President approves/disapproves Commission recommendations
20 Oct 05	Commission resubmits recommendations (if initially rejected by President)
07 Nov 05	President submits final recommendations to Congress. Once submitted, the plan becomes final within 45 legislative days, unless Congress passes a joint resolution to block the entire package.

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## Pine Bluff Arsenal

**BRAC 05 recommendations transform Pine Bluff Arsenal into a multi-functional Munitions Center of Excellence that fulfills total munitions capability through Munitions Production, Munitions Demilitarization, Munitions Storage and Distribution and Munitions Maintenance. The goal is to support Joint readiness by producing, maintaining, storing and delivering in a timely manner, the munitions needed to support the war-fighter. This effort was accomplished through the elimination of excess and redundancy within the industrial base. Costs identified to modernize remaining infrastructure will allow us to move out of a Cold War environment into one that is capable of supporting 21st century requirements for the manufacture of artillery, bombs, Energetics, medium caliber, missiles, mines, mortars, rockets, pyro/demo, small caliber, tank and torpedoes.**

### **Incoming Activities**

What: Re-locate units into a new Armed Forces Reserve Center, from the Stone United States Army Reserve Center, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Why: Transform Reserve Component facilities in the State of Arkansas into multi-functional installations that will enhance unit readiness, increase training opportunities, and generate operational efficiencies.

### **Departing Activities**

None

### **Quantitative Results**

Net Personnel Impacts <sup>1</sup>			MILCON Cost Estimate
Military	Civilian	Student	
0	0	0	\$8,925,093

### **Implementation Timeline:**

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### **Internal Communications (Pine Bluff Work Force)**

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<sup>1</sup> Based on FY03 ASIP data. Does not reflect any personnel changes resulting from standard programming and Command Plan actions since FY03.

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**BRAC Recommendations impacting Pine Bluff Arsenal**

- Transform Reserve Components in Arkansas