

FORT A. P. HILL

VIRGINIA

LOCATION

Fort A. P. Hill is situated within the boundaries of Caroline County, along the I-95 corridor and astride US Route 301. The Post is 20 miles southeast of Fredericksburg and is situated roughly midway between Richmond and the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. The Installation rests on the upper Atlantic Coastal Plain and in the watersheds of the Rappahannock and Mattaponi Rivers. Fort A. P. Hill's terrain is rolling hills with wetlands. Most of the installation is forested. US Route 301 divides the post, allowing maneuver and range operations to occur simultaneously. The northwest portion of the post is dedicated to maneuver and the southeast portion contains a 27,000-acre modern range facility. To the south and east, the installation is bordered by forest, farmland and the town of Bowling Green. Forests, farmland, Haymont subdivision and the town of Port Royal lie to the west and north. Fort A. P. Hill is subject to all four seasons, and training is conducted throughout the entire year.

SIZE

Acres: 75,905.00

Square Footage of Buildings: 1,117,274 SF

Plant Replacement Value: \$522,364,189

HISTORY

Fort A. P. Hill was established as an Army training facility June 11, 1941, pursuant to War Department General Order No. 5. In its first year, the installation was used as a maneuver area for II Corps and the three activated National Guard Divisions from the Mid-Atlantic States. In the autumn of 1942, Fort A. P. Hill was the staging area for Operation Torch's Task Force A, commanded by MG Patton. During the early years of World War II, the post continued to be a training site for Corps and division-sized units and was one of the most active artillery ranges on the east coast. During the Korean War, Fort A. P. Hill was a major staging area for units deploying to Europe, including the VII Corps Headquarters and the Third Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Commencing in 1944 through the Vietnam War, Fort A. P. Hill served as a training center for the Engineer Officer Candidate School, a field training site for the Engineer Officer's Basic Course and Career Course. Fort A. P. Hill has served and continues to serve as a field training site for the Quartermaster, Transportation, and Special Forces Schools. Both enlisted and officer field training continues through to today.

The post has served as a mobilization training site for units deploying to Desert Shield and Desert Storm, missions in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo, Afghanistan and Iraq, and other destinations associated with the Global War on Terrorism.

MISSIONS

Fort A. P. Hill, a 2003 Army Community of Excellence, is an all-purpose, year-round, military training facility. The Installation's mission is to provide training and logistical support to military units, Allies, and other Federal Agencies that deploy to Fort A. P. Hill to train. Additionally, the post provides Class I supply support to all Army dining facilities in Maryland, Virginia and Washington D.C., and ammunition supply support for the Army units in the National Capital Region. The Installation also supports the Research and Development Community by providing space and ranges to support night vision device testing, laser testing and de-mining techniques and equipment development. Finally, Fort A. P. Hill, hosts the quadrennial National Scout Jamboree.

Fort A. P. Hill's automated ranges and maneuver areas can support all current Army weapon systems (with very few limitations), both ground and aerial, except for Air Defense missiles and the Hellfire missile. Other services and Federal Agencies frequently use the Post's training facilities. Fort A. P. Hill has some unusual training support facilities, such as a C-130/C-17 certified Assault Landing Zone, a fixed wing bombing range, an automated aerial gunnery range, squad battle course, convoy live fire course and an access control point range. These capabilities coupled with a customer-oriented workforce make Fort A. P. Hill the training location of choice for Warriors by providing the Best Training and Support ... Anywhere. Fort A. P. Hill is the training ground where America's Military sharpens its Combat Edge.

MAJOR UNITS/TENANTS

Night Vision & Electronics Sensors Lab
Naval Special Warfare Group 2
B Co, 3rd Bn, 20th Special Forces
1st Logistics Support Bn, 322nd Regiment,
5th Bde, 78th Division
088 Base Maintenance Activity
80th Division Drill Sergeant School

Hq & HHD Engineer Bde, 28th ID
1710th Transportation Co
U.S. Army Health Clinic
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Timber
Office
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and
Explosives

POPULATION

	Authorized
Military	77
Civilian	315
Contractor	46
Student	30
Other	18
TOTAL	486