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Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) Field House Proposal

Department of Military Affairs

Request

Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) Field House

DMA recommends a one-time appropriation \$17.6 million in cash for the construction of an Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) Field House at the Arden Hills Army Training Site (AHATS). Due to AHATS being federal land, cash must be used for construction as bond funding is not allowed non-State of Minnesota property. The construction of an ACFT Field House provides a resource for Soldiers to physically train and conduct the ACFT. Physical readiness is a primary requirement for individual Soldiers. ACFT scores are a used for attendance at military schools and for career progression. The construction of the ACFT Field House will build readiness for the Minnesota National Guard.

All post construction costs to include utilities, maintenance, and improvements will be absorbed the Federal government when it is placed into operation.

Total Request

\$17,600,000

Facts and Assumptions

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- The National Guard Bureau has no approved ACFT Field House specifications, guidance, or allowances
- Active-Duty Brigade field houses are ~44,000 square feet for offices, studios, weights, cardio, and turf areas
- National Guard Pamphlet (NG Pam) 415-12 references installation fitness centers and would authorize a fitness facility of up to ~40,000 square feet at Arden Hills

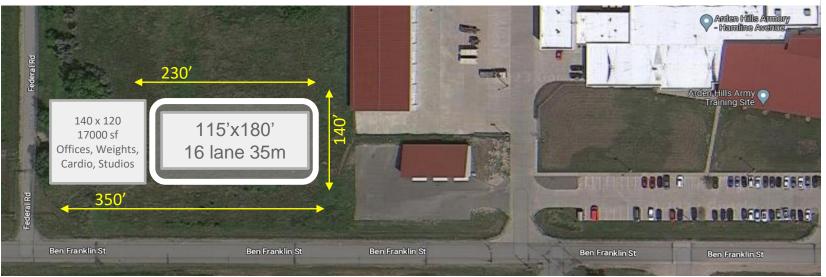
Assumptions

- A covered track is desired due to Minnesota's climate
- · An outdoor track is significantly less expensive due to the reduced size of the building
- A small number of existing full-time staff would be able to run the field house
- The next release of NG Pam 415-12 will contain an ACFT allowance
- When constructed via state funding, a field house will be 100% federally supported (maintenance and utilities) even if the size differs from current or future federal design requirements

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Design and Placement Overview

- 200m track (16 laps)
- 17,000sf 1 story offices, weights, cardio, studios
- ~32,000sf "high bay" enclosed track & ACFT testing lanes
- \$1.6M Design
- \$16.0M Construction
- Total: \$17.6M



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