



Fiscal Year 2019 Military Construction Appropriations Act

*Summary of House Appropriations Committee's
Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Bill for
Fiscal Year 2019*



As of May 8th, 2018

Bill Status

	Passed in Committee	Passed in Chamber	Agreement	Final Passage	Signed into Law
House	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> May 8, 2018				
Senate					

Executive Summary

This guide provides only a short summary and analysis of the many provisions in the bill. To obtain a complete understanding of any particular provision, users are encouraged to review the actual legislative language. The bill and accompanying report are available on the NGB-LL web page at www.nationalguard.mil/ll.

Summary:

On Tuesday, May 8, 2018 the House Appropriations Committee passed its version of the FY19 Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Bill. In total, the legislation provides \$206 billion in budget authority for fiscal year 2019 – \$9.35 billion above the fiscal year 2018 enacted level and \$130.6 million below the President’s request. Included in the total budget authority is \$109 billion in mandatory budget authority and \$96.9 billion in discretionary budget authority.

The bill includes \$309.2 million for construction or alteration of National Guard facilities in 14 states. Of this, \$180.1 million is provided for Army National Guard military construction and \$129.1 million for Air National Guard military construction – both at requested levels.

Section 125 appropriates additional funding for the Army National Guard (\$11 million) and Air National Guard (\$62 million) for projects on the Services Unfunded Priority lists.



Army National Guard

(All Dollars in Thousands)

Army National Guard	FY19 President's Budget Request	HAC-M Mark	Delta from FY19 Request	SAC-M Mark	Delta From FY19 Request	Final Bill	Delta From FY19 Request
Total	\$180,122	\$180,122	-				
Minor Construction	\$18,100	\$18,100	-				
Planning & Design	\$16,622	\$16,622	-				
Sec. 125	-	\$11,000	\$11,000				



Air National Guard

(All Dollars in Thousands)

Air National Guard	FY19 President's Budget Request	HAC-M Mark	Delta from FY19 Request	SAC-M Mark	Delta From FY19 Request	Final Bill	Delta From FY19 Request
Total	\$129,126	\$129,126	-				
Minor Construction	\$23,626	\$23,626	-				
Planning & Design	\$18,500	\$18,500	-				
Sec. 125	-	\$62,000	\$62,000				

House Provisions of Interest

Sec. 104 – None of the funds made available in this title may be used to begin construction of new bases in the United States for which specific appropriations have not been made.

Sec. 107 – None of the funds made available in this title for minor construction may be used to transfer or relocate any activity from one base or installation to another, without prior notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

Sec. 113 – The Secretary of Defense shall inform the appropriate committees of both Houses of Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations, of plans and scope of any proposed military exercise involving United States personnel 30 days prior to its occurring, if amounts expended for construction, either temporary or permanent, are anticipated to exceed \$100,000.

Sec. 125 – For an additional amount for the accounts and in the amounts specified, to remain available until September 30, 2023: “Military Construction, Army”, \$44,100,000; “Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps”, \$317,800,000; “Military Construction, Air Force”, \$144,450,000; **“Military Construction, Army National Guard”, \$11,000,000; “Military Construction, Air National Guard”, \$62,000,000;** “Military Construction, Army Reserve”, \$23,000,000; and “Military Construction, Air Force Reserve”, \$84,800,000: Provided, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the respective military department’s unfunded priority list for fiscal year 2019 submitted to Congress: Provided further, that such projects are subject to authorization prior to obligation and expenditure of funds to carry out construction: Provided further, that not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned, or his or her designee, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

Sec. 127 – For the purposes of this Act, the term “congressional defense committees” means the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

Sec. 129 – Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act may be used to consolidate or relocate any element of a United States Air Force Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineer (RED HORSE) outside of the United States until the Secretary of the Air Force (1) completes an analysis and comparison of the cost and infrastructure investment required to consolidate or relocate a RED HORSE squadron outside of the United States versus within the United States; (2) provides to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress (“the Committees”) a report detailing the findings of the cost analysis; and (3) certifies in writing to the Committees that the preferred site for the consolidation or relocation yields the greatest savings for the Air Force: Provided, That the term “United States” in this section does not include any territory or possession of the United States.

House Report Language of Interest

Army National Guard Readiness Centers Investment—The Committee remains concerned by the failure of the Army to prioritize investment in Army National Guard Readiness Centers. These facilities are critical infrastructure in the protection of the homeland and in responding to domestic emergencies. Their deteriorating conditions are detrimental to the readiness of the Army Guard and present significant safety concerns. The Committee encourages the Army to accelerate investments in Readiness Centers within the fiscal year 2020 future years’ defense program to include the \$1,200,000,000 for the Army National Guard transformation Plan.

Fiscal Year 2018 National Guard Reporting Requirement—Since fiscal year 2012 the Committee has noted the need to bolster National Guard resources and explore public-private partnerships with state and local governments. Due to the late passage of the fiscal year 2018 bill, the reporting requirement regarding this issue remains outstanding. Therefore, the Committee reiterates its interest in this report and looks forward to its submission.



Army National Guard Project List

(All Dollars in Thousands)

State	ARNG Military Construction Project Description	President's Budget Request	HAC-M Mark	SAC-M Mark	Final Bill
AK	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	\$27,000	\$27,000		
IL	Marseilles Automated Record Fire Range	\$5,000	\$5,000		
MT	Malta National Guard Readiness Center	\$15,000	\$15,000		
NV	North Las Vegas National Guard Readiness Center	\$32,000	\$32,000		
NH	Pembroke National Guard Readiness Center	\$12,000	\$12,000		
ND	Fargo National Guard Readiness Center	\$32,000	\$32,000		
OH	Camp Ravenna Automated Multipurpose Machine Gun Range	\$7,400	\$7,400		
SD	Rapid City National Guard Readiness Center	\$15,000	\$15,000		



Air National Guard Project List

(All Dollars in Thousands)

State	ANG Military Construction Project Description	President's Budget Request	HAC-M Mark	SAC-M Mark	Final Bill
CA	Channel Islands ANGS – C-130J Flight Simulator Facility	\$8,000	\$8,000		
HI	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam – Addition to F-22 LO/CRF B3408	\$17,000	\$17,000		
IL	Greater Peoria Regional Airport – New Fire Crash/Rescue Station	\$9,000	\$9,000		
LA	New Orleans NORTHCOM – Construct Alert Apron	\$15,000	\$15,000		
NY	Francis S. Gabreski Airport – Security Forces/ Comm. Training Facility	\$20,000	\$20,000		
PA	Fort Indiantown Gap – Replace Operations Training/ Dining Hall	\$8,000	\$8,000		
VA	Joint Base Langley-Eustis Construct Cyber Ops Facility	\$10,000	\$10,000		