

## **FACILITY SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION, AND MODERNIZATION (SRM)**

**AREA OF INTEREST:** CURRENT READINESS FY07 UFR: \$27M APPN: OMNG

**DESCRIPTION:** SRM provides necessary funding to sustain, restore, and modernize ARNG real property.

**ISSUE JUSTIFICATION:** The Army goal is to fund at least 90% of the critical SRM requirements; current ARNG funding only supports 84%. For an extended period of time, SRM funding has been inadequate to properly sustain the ARNG's real property to the required level. The result has been a dramatic decline in facility conditions. As a result, ARNG Soldiers and civilians are living, working, and training in sub-standard facilities. Two-thirds of the ARNG installations have an Installations Status Report rating of C-4, "Significantly impairs mission performance," and the other third are at C-3, "Impairs mission performance."

**FUNDING IMPACT:** Readiness Centers and other training and logistics facilities are our connection with the community. Readiness Centers shape the first impression the community and potential recruits have of the ARNG. In many cases, the current condition of our readiness centers does not reflect the professionalism of our organization. Additional funding for repair, maintenance, and minor construction will not only improve our representation within the community and attract quality members of the community, but will also reduce future construction costs. The status quo is not an option; we cannot afford to delay. Without additional funding, ARNG Soldiers and civilians will continue working in substandard work areas with leaking roofs, broken heating and air conditioning, frequent power outages, and overcrowding.