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**Base Realignment and Closure  
Section 106 Public Meeting  
U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir**

2 May 2007



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## Agenda

- Introductions
- Section 106 Process
- Undertaking
- Consulting Parties
- Area of Potential Effect – Historic Properties
- Programmatic Agreement
- Conclusion



# What is Section 106

- National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
  - requires Federal agencies to act as responsible stewards of our Nation's resources
- Section 106 of the NHPA
  - provides legal status to historic preservation in Federal planning, decision making, and project execution;
  - requires all Federal agencies to take into account the effects of their actions on historic properties;
  - provides public and regulatory agencies with a reasonable opportunity to comment on those actions
- Federal compliance with Section 106 is codified in 36 CFR 800



## Section 106 Process

- Four Steps
  - Initiate the process
    - Establish undertaking
    - Identify consulting parties
  - Identify Historic Properties
    - Defining the Area of Potential Effect (APE)
    - Identify historic resources
  - Assess Effect
  - Resolution of Adverse Effect



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## Step 1: Initiation

- Establish undertaking
  - BRAC Action - Relocating 22,000 Department of Defense and Department of the Army employees to Fort Belvoir
    - National Geospatial Agency 9,000 employees
    - Washington Headquarters Service 8,000 employees
    - Walter Reed Army Medical Center 2,200 employees
    - Missile Defense Agency 150 employees
    - Army lease 3,100 employees
    - Construction of an RV Park in Tompkins Basin
  - Transportation and Infrastructure Improvements
  - Support Facilities – fire stations, child development centers, parking structures, etc.



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## BRAC EIS PREFERRED SITE PLAN

- *Display EIS Preferred Site Plan*

### Proposed BRAC Development Projects

The following is a list of on-post projects that are included in the BRAC action.  
The numbers next to each project name indicate their location on the map below.

Project Name	Building Size
1) NGA Administrative Facility .....	2,419,000 SF
2) WHS Administrative Facility.....	2,219,000 SF
4) Hospital .....	868,800 SF
17) PEO EIS Administrative Facility.....	447,400 SF
16) AMC Relocatables .....	230,000 SF
14) Administrative Facility (Bldgs 211, 214, 215, 220) .....	133,000 SF
3) MDA Facility .....	107,000 SF
7) Corps of Engineers Integration Office (Temporary) .....	58,600 SF
6) North Atlantic Regional Medical Center (NARMC) Headquarters Building.....	50,000 SF
8) Infrastructure .....	25,000 SF
13) Child Development Center #2.....	24,036 SF
10) Network Operations Center (part of PEO EIS) .....	21,525 SF
11) U.S. Army Nuclear and Chemical Agency (USANCA) Support Facility .....	20,000 SF
12) Child Development Center #1.....	19,590 SF
5) Dental Clinic.....	16,000 SF
9) Emergency Services Center .....	14,700 SF
15) Access Control Point.....	280 SF
18) Structured Parking Facility, 200 Area .....	n/a
19) Modernize Barracks.....	n/a
20) Family Travel Camp.....	n/a

**Proposed BRAC Construction and Renovation Project Locations**



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# Step 1: Initiation

- Identify consulting parties
  - 18 consulting parties including federal, state and local agencies as well as local historic sites and citizens groups
    - Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), Catawba Indian Tribe, Martha Catlin, Fairfax County Architectural Review Board, Fairfax County History Commission, Fairfax County Parks and Recreation, Fairfax County Planning and Zoning, Gum Springs Historical Society, Gunston Hall Plantation, Mason Neck Citizens Assoc., National Park Service, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Pohick Church, Tuscarora Nation of New York, United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma, Virginia Council on Indians, Virginia State Historic Preservation Office, Woodlawn Baptist Church, Woodlawn Friends Meeting, and Woodlawn Plantation.



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## Step 2: Identification

- Determine Area of Potential Effect (APE)
  - The APE is Fort Belvoir and EPG plus ½ mile radius.
  - Defined following a balloon survey to determine impact of tallest structure allowed within air field height restriction
- Identify Historic Resources
  - Fort Belvoir has an active historic resource identification program;
    - established the Fort Belvoir Historic District with over 250 contributing resources.
    - surveys of the 300 Area and 36 other resources are pending.
  - Entire installation has been surveyed for archeological resources resulting with over 175 eligible or potentially eligible archeological sites identified.



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**Area of Potential Effect**

*Balloon Survey Display Map*



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# Fort Belvoir Historic Districts and Archeological Sites

- *APE Map*



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### Step 2: Identification

- BRAC Specific Identification (on post)
  - Completed survey of historic resources at EPG
    - Determined no historic structures present
  - Surveyed south post golf course
    - Determined to be National Register eligible in 2006
  - Completed Phase II survey of an archeological site located on the south post golf course
    - Determined not eligible for the National Register



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## Step 2: Identification

- BRAC Specific Identification (off post)
  - Off post resources within the APE include
    - Alexandria Friends Meeting House, George Washington Grist Mill, Overlook Farm, Pohick Church, and Woodlawn Plantation
  - Fort Belvoir included the following resources in the balloon survey.
    - Alexandria Friends Meeting House, Fort Hunt, Fort Washington, George Washington Grist Mill, George Washington Parkway, Gunston Hall, Marshall Hall, Mount Vernon, Pohick Church, and Woodlawn Plantation



## Step 3: Assessment of Effect

- Potential effects on historic resources

Historic Resource	Anticipated Development	Potential Effect
EPG	NGA and WHS	No effect
Golf Course Development	Hospital	Adverse effect to historic golf course. Possible adverse auditory effect to Friends and Woodlawn.
Fort Belvoir Historic District	MDA	Possible adverse visual effect.
Overlook Farm	Tompkins Basin RV Park	Possible adverse visual effect
Fort Belvoir Historic District	Army Lease	Potential adverse effect.



## Step 4: Resolution of Effect

- Section 106 process will result in a Programmatic Agreement
- Programmatic Agreement will:
  - define mitigations for adverse effect to golf course;
  - define mitigation for adverse auditory effects;
  - define rules for development within the historic district;
  - streamline the Section 106 process.



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## Conclusion

- The way ahead.
  - Tasks to Complete
    - Define Undertaking – completed
    - Identify Consulting Parties – completed?
    - Define the APE – completed?
    - Identify Historic Resources – completed?
    - Assessment of Effect – on going
    - Development of a Programmatic Agreement.