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Corps of Engineers awards \$15.8M for Fort Stewart physical fitness center

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA – As part of an ongoing \$315 million project to build an Infantry Brigade Combat Team Complex at Fort Stewart, Ga., the [Savannah District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers](http://www.sas.usace.army.mil) awarded \$15.8 million for a new physical fitness center on Nov. 24.

The Corps selected Megen Construction Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, as the prime contractor for the 80,327-square-foot facility, with a design similar to a fitness center in the private sector community. Prominent design features include an indoor pool, indoor running track, gymnasium, climbing wall, spinning room and racquetball court.

“This physical fitness facility will serve several thousand Soldiers who will occupy the IBCT Complex in coming years,” said Corps’ Resident Engineer Troy Funk, who is overseeing construction on the site. “Facilities like this reflect the Corps of Engineers’ mission to build quality facilities for our troops, while also enhancing their quality of life.”

The physical fitness center, along with the entire IBCT complex, is scheduled for completion in fall 2011. Other facilities awarded earlier this year as part of the IBCT Complex include six company operations facilities, six tactical equipment maintenance facilities, 20 barracks, a headquarters building and a dining facility.

Like all Army construction, the physical fitness center will satisfy Silver rating criteria established by the [Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design \(LEED\)](http://www.usgbc.org) rating system, in accordance with the U.S. Green Building Council standards. Eco-friendly features include the use of energy efficient building materials, lighting and ventilation systems.

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At 80,327 square feet, the physical fitness center will accommodate thousands of Soldiers at the Fort Stewart Infantry Brigade Combat Team Complex. The facility is scheduled for completion in fall 2011.

Artist's rendering provided by Megen Construction Company

The **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Savannah District** manages and oversees a multi-billion dollar military construction program at 12 Army and Air Force installations in Georgia and North Carolina. Corps' projects range from barracks, hospitals and clinics to equipment shops, headquarters buildings and aircraft hangars. For more information, visit www.sas.usace.army.mil.