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# Corps of Engineers awards \$29.9M in contracts for Fort Benning headquarters, ranges, dining facility

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**SAVANNAH, GA.** – More construction will soon begin at Fort Benning, Ga., as contractors pursue nearly \$30 million in contracts recently awarded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Savannah District. The contracts include a battalion headquarters complex, two shooting ranges and a dining facility.

Bay Electric, Inc. of Newport News, Va., will build a \$9.1 million headquarters complex to service Soldiers of the 16<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Battalion, which is moving from the Armor School at Fort Knox, Ky. to Fort Benning as part of the Army's Base Realignment and Closure Act. Awarded on June 25, the contract includes three headquarters buildings, together exceeding 35,000 square feet in new construction. Completion is scheduled for December 2010.

Bay Electric will also construct two rifle and machine gun ranges, totaling \$3.6 million. Each range will contain enough space for 32 firing positions, along with a range tower, an operations and storage building, a bleacher enclosure, ammunition buildings and restrooms. Both range contracts were awarded June 12 and are scheduled for use in June 2010.

Additionally, IL Fleming Construction Inc. of Midway, Ga., will soon begin construction on a \$17.2 million dining facility. At 56,000 square feet, the 1,092-seat dining facility will have capacity to feed 2,600 Soldiers in 90 minutes, three times a day. The contract was awarded June 16 and is slated for completion in December 2010.

Like all Army construction projects, the headquarters, range buildings and dining facility have been designed to achieve a minimum Silver rating from the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating system, in accordance with the U.S. Green Building Council standards.

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