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\$2 billion Fort Bliss Expansion Groundbreaking Ceremony set for Monday

FORT WORTH, Texas –The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U. S. Army Air Defense Artillery Center and Fort Bliss, Texas, will co-host a groundbreaking ceremony Oct. 23 at 4 p.m. at East Biggs Army Air Field, Sergeants Major Blvd., at Fort Bliss. The groundbreaking marks the beginning of the \$2 billion Fort Bliss Expansion Program, part of the Army's Transformation at Fort Bliss.

The Corps of Engineers is building what will amount to a small city for approximately 19,000 Soldiers, returning to Fort Bliss from overseas installations. A division headquarters, four Brigade Combat Teams and a Combat Aviation Brigade will make Fort Bliss their home. This substantial influx of Soldiers over a short period of time necessitates facilities including headquarters and administrative space, dining facilities, aircraft hangars, arms rooms, unit storage facilities and barracks.

This transformation program is being undertaken while the Army is still at war. New facilities to be constructed are divided into Product Lines and assigned to Corps Product Line District as follows:

Fort Worth District will be responsible for infrastructure, barracks, and training ranges in addition to providing a central point of contact and coordinating the activities of the other Product Line Districts. Albuquerque District (New Mexico) will be responsible for company operations facilities, Galveston District (Texas) for ammunition storage and parking facilities, Little Rock District (Arkansas) for dining facilities and aircraft hangars, Sacramento District (California) for brigade and battalion headquarters buildings and unit storage facilities, and Tulsa District (Oklahoma) for maintenance facilities.