

## Fort Campbell, Kentucky



**ACUB Approval Date:** 23 February 2006

**Installation Description:** Fort Campbell serves as a power projection platform (PPP), able to deploy mission-ready contingency forces by air, rail, highway, and inland waterway. The installation is home to the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, 5th Special Forces Group, and 86th Combat Support Hospital. To fulfill its mission to advance combat readiness through training, mobilization, and deployment, the installation houses multiple training areas, Basic Weapons Marksmanship Ranges, Live-Fire Maneuver Ranges, artillery firing points, drop zones, observation points, Military Operations in Urban Terrain facilities, and landing zones. Fort Campbell contains the Army's largest airfield (Campbell Army Airfield), spanning over 2,500 acres, and serves as a secondary landing site for the National Aeronautics & Space Administration and the space shuttle.

**Challenge:** Privately-owned lands adjacent to Fort Campbell have historically served as over-flight areas and noise buffers for on-post training activities. Incompatible development in the region is beginning to fragment these open spaces, and a significant amount of ambient light pollution could impact Fort Campbell's critical night operations training. Also, Fort Campbell is home to two endangered species: the gray bat (*Myotis grisescens*) and the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*). Loss of habitat outside the fence line could result in additional training restrictions on-post in an effort to protect the species. Continued development along installation boundaries will ultimately result in the degradation of Fort Campbell's military training and deployment capabilities.

**ACUB Objective:** The ACUB objective at Fort Campbell is to establish protective buffers around the installation in order to reduce future encroachment impacts such as ambient light pollution and habitat destruction. Primary efforts are focused on acquiring buffer lands immediately surrounding Campbell Army Airfield and Sabre Army Heliport, both which are used extensively during nighttime training.

**Cooperative Agreement Partners:** The Land Trust for Tennessee, the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, and Compatible Lands Foundation

**Partner Mission:** The Land Trust for Tennessee (LTT) has a mission to "preserve the unique character of Tennessee's natural and historic landscapes and sites for future generations." The Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) has a mission to permanently preserve prime agricultural lands within the state. The Compatible Lands Foundation (CLF) mission is to "promote and create compatible land uses through land conservation activities and projects which improve the quality of life."

<b>Campbell</b>	<b>Funds Obligated</b>	<b>Acres Protected</b>	<b>Military Funds Expended</b>	<b>Partner Funds Expended</b>	<b>Total Expended</b>
In FY12	\$1,540,000	453	\$1,478,729	\$214,373	\$1,693,102
Through FY12	\$10,161,691	3,253	\$8,314,407	\$292,706	\$11,132,862