## Fort Knox, Kentucky



ACUB Approval Date: 26 December 2006

Status: Inactive; Cooperative Agreement Expired 31 May 2012

**Installation Description:** Fort Knox has responsibility for all Soldier career management, from swearing in to departing service. Units include Army Cadet Command, Army Human Resources Command, and Army Recruiting Command. These units, along with the 3rd Brigade of the 1st Infantry Division, the 3rd Expeditionary Sustainment Command, the 84th Training Command, Ireland Army Community Hospital, and other "Partners in Excellence" make Fort Knox a multi-functional military base.

**Challenge:** The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure and the Integrated Global Presence Basing Strategy called for Fort Knox to support new training requirements, including hosting units from Europe and Korea, an Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Army Cadet Command, and the combined Human Resources Command. These new training requirements, combined with previous activities, generate considerable operational noise and vibrations that travel outside the installation boundaries onto surrounding land. Offpost lighting, residential development in areas susceptible to high noise levels, and habitat destruction are impacts of encroachment that present challenges to the future training operations at Fort Knox.

**ACUB Objective:** The primary ACUB focus at Fort Knox targeted properties adjoining the installations Eastern Corridor Battle Space. Implementing a buffer along the installation's eastern and southern perimeters was designed to prevent restrictions from impacting training, maneuvering, and deployment capabilities carried out by the battle space. The buffering intent was to benefit the installation by restricting off- post ambient lighting and other obstructions that could interfere with night training operations, limiting residential development within noise contour areas, and protecting key natural habitats and the associated flora and fauna.

Cooperative Agreement Partner: Lincoln Trail Area Development District

**Partner Mission:** The mission of the Lincoln Trail Area Development District (LTADD) includes facilitating the development rights of open land to prevent its development and showing private landowners how to use the various local and state programs for selling or donating development rights in exchange for conservation easements.

Knox	Funds Obligated	Acres Protected	Military Funds Expended	Partner Funds Expended	Total Expended
In FY12	-\$73,520	154	\$260,174	\$70,768	\$330,942
Through FY12	\$926,480	462	\$926,480	\$119,231	\$1,045,711