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601.1 Fort Huachuca,
Arizona - EBGLP

Acquisition of Additional Land,
Fort Huachuca, Arizona

16 AUG 1956

DISCUSSION:

1. Department of the Army plans require the re-acquisition of the area, which was formerly a part of the Fort Huachuca Military Reservation, Arizona, not under the control and jurisdiction of the Department of the Army. This area is required to allow more effective and efficient proving operations.

2. A Reservation Boundary and Land Use Map, inclosed as TAB A, portrays the present utilization of the lands comprising the Fort Huachuca Military Reservation. The inclosed Real Estate Planning Report, dated 30 March 1956 (TAB D), indicates that the area required is composed of 1,762.95 acres of State of Arizona-owned School lands; 10,200.40 acres of State-acquired land, subject to recapture by the Government in the event of a National Emergency; and 12,116.79 acres of Public Domain lands, under the control of the State National Guard by virtue of a Department of the Interior Use Permit. The total area proposed to be acquired consists of approximately 24,080.14 acres of vacant land. The Planning Report further indicates that, as a result of a former exchange, the State of Arizona owns the mineral rights underlying 11,678.15 acres of that area of Public Domain, which is used by the State National Guard. The total estimated cost of acquiring exclusive control and jurisdiction of the 24,080.14 acre area is \$3,600. The planned use of the 24,080.14 acre area discussed above is indicated on the inclosed Real Estate Map (TAB C).

3. The State-owned School lands may be exchanged for other lands under the control of the Department of the Interior and subsequently withdrawn for use of the Department of the Army by Public Land Order. A quitclaim deed to the Government for the 10,200.40 acres of land, subject to recapture, may be had from the State of Arizona. The Adjutant General, State of Arizona, is agreeable to relinquishing the Department of the Interior use permit after which the lands may be withdrawn for use of the Department of the Army by Public Land Order. The Chief, National Guard Bureau, interposes no objection to this action (TAB E). The State-owned mineral rights underlying the 11,678.15 acres of Public Domain lands may be acquired in fee; exchanged for the mineral rights underlying other Government-owned lands by amendment of the original deeds; or by imposing a moratorium thereon against exploration and exploitation thereof. The Bureau of Land Management is now investigating the possibility of amendment of the deeds by which this land was exchanged to include the minerals.

4. Exclusive control and jurisdiction over the desired area can be accomplished as outlined above with M&O, Army, P3141 Funds.

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SUBJECT: Acquisition of Additional Land, Fort Huachuca, Arizona

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Assistant Secretary of the Army (VA) sign the inclosed Real Estate Directive, which authorizes acquisition of exclusive control and jurisdiction over the desired area.

COORDINATION:

OSigO - concur - Col D. W. Eddy, 71279.

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1. TAB A - Reservation Boundary and Land Use Map
2. TAB B - Prop RE-Directive
3. TAB C - Real Estate Map
4. TAB D - REPR dtd 30Mar56
5. TAB E - Cy of 5th Ind dtd 14May56 fm Ch NGB

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