

FORT HUACHUCA - 1954

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ARMY ELECTRONIC PROVING GROUND
AT FORT HUACHUCA

With the increasing mobility of the field army under rapidly changing concepts of modern warfare, communications and electronic tactical control systems moved into an accelerated era of research and development in the early 1950s.

The Army needed a permanent post which could be used to test a wide variety of communication and electronic equipment. Such an area would have to be relatively free from electromagnetic interference - - - -

be away from main commercial air corridors - - -
have access to a large area of land - - -
and have an ideal climate with varied topography.

Fort Huachuca was tailor-made for this purpose, so in February, 1954, the Post was re-opened as the United States Army Electronic Proving Ground.

Since then many permanent buildings, such as Greely Hall shown here, and new homes have been built.

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