

Meeting at  
Middletown, CT  
Base Realignment and Closure  
(BRAC) Armed Forces Reserve  
Center  
Middletown, CT

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# MIDDLETOWN (AR LEAD)

## EXISTING FACILITIES

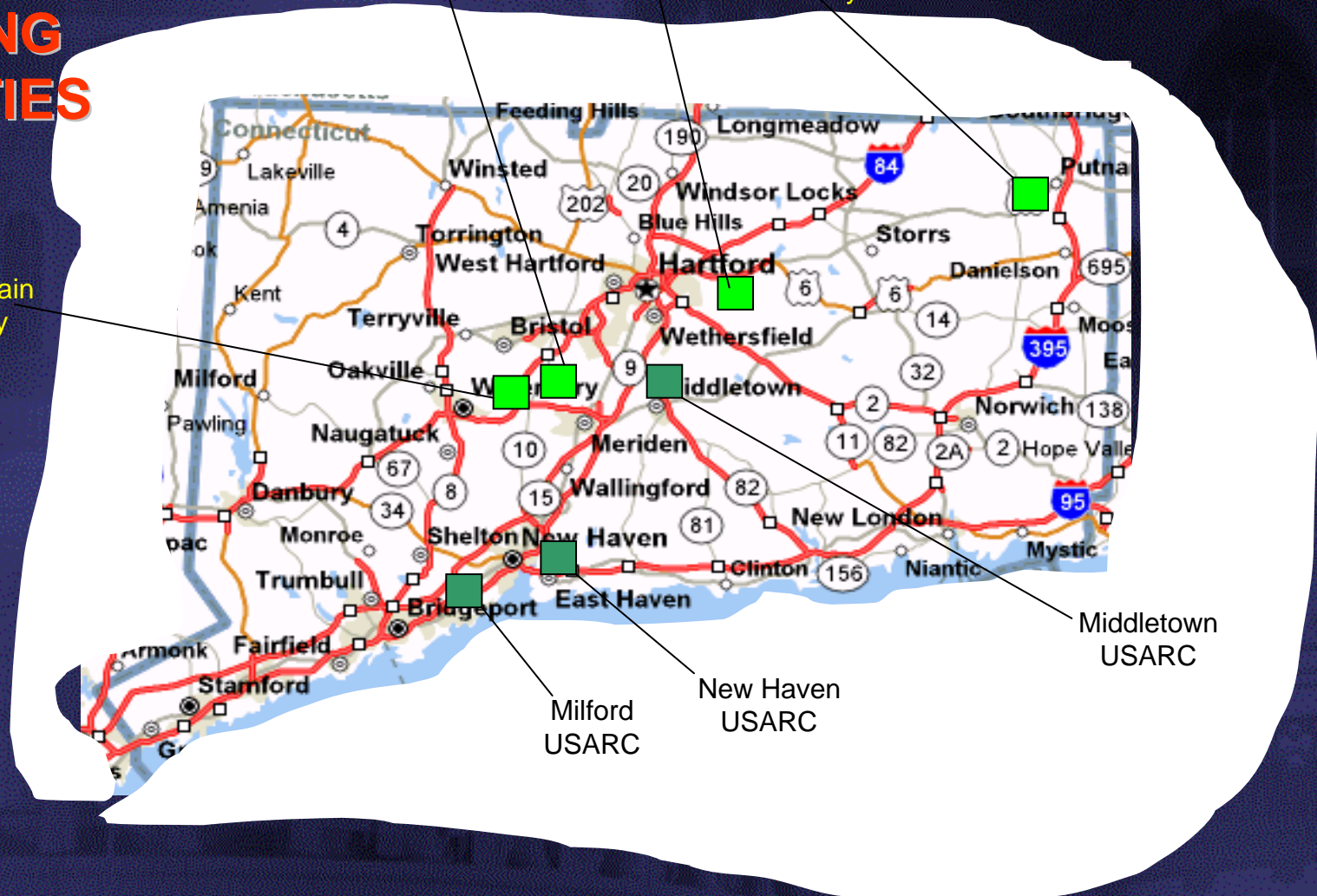
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New Britain  
Armory

Manchester  
Armory & Maintenance Shop

Putnam  
Armory

DVA – Newington



# Operations

- Citizen Soldiers (Medics, Logistics, Infantry, Human Resource Office, Maintenance)
- Current facilities do not meet the modern operational and training needs.
- Campus Environment:
  - Focus on classroom training, administration, and maintenance
  - Estimated peak usage by assigned personnel: 665
    - During mobilization for state emergencies and federal missions
  - Human Resource Office – Administration support for full time personnel and families (ID cards, in processing etc.)
  - Maintenance of vehicles stored on site
  - Estimated Full Time personnel – 70



# Site Identification

- An Open and Collaborative Site Identification Process
  - Initial screening criteria for sites:
    - Must be in Middletown
    - Must be available
    - Must meet size requirements
      - Approximately 25 acres



# Site Identification

- An Open and Collaborative Site Identification Process
  - COL Landry asked the Mayor to appoint a community representative to represent the non-Federal stakeholders on the initial screening process
  - Public scoping meeting to discuss the initial list of sites
  - Gather public comments on initial list of sites



# Site Identification

- Site Identification Schedule:
  - 8 Sep – Initial list of sites submitted by public and officials, etc.
  - 17 Sep – Complete initial screening
    - (Government and Community Representative)
  - 17 Sep – Public scoping meeting to announce list of sites for public comment period on sites
  - 29 Sep – Public comment period for site identification process ends
    - In order for public comments to be included in the, comments must be received by 29 Sep



# Site Identification

- Site Identification Schedule:
  - 30 Sep – Submit list of sites with public comments to the Army Reserve
  - 1 Oct - Convene Site Identification Meeting to rank sites in order of preference
  - 17 Oct - Complete Site Identification Report
  - 30 Oct – List of viable sites forwarded for NEPA and Engineering Analysis
  - 7 Nov – Right of Entries acquired to start Environmental and Engineering Studies



# Environmental

- National Environmental Policy Act Compliance
  - Environmental Assessment (EA)
    - We will conduct an Environmental Assessment that evaluates viable alternative sites to determine the potential project impacts on human health and environment.



# Environmental

- National Environmental Policy Act Compliance
  - Environmental Assessment can result in one of two decisions:
    - A Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI)
    - Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)



# Construction Schedule

- FY 2009 Project (October 2008 to September 2009) for Construction Contract Award
  - Award: June 2009
  - Occupancy: March 2011



# Army Commitments

- Open and Collaborative Process
- Transparency
  - Community representative for non-Federal stakeholders for initial screening of sites
  - Public involved in suggesting potential sites
  - City observer on sedge and box turtle surveys for Boardman Lane
  - Early public input on sites under consideration



# Questions and Answers

- Future Questions?
- Diane McCartin, COE, Louisville
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  - Add website

