

# DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

## 2010 REQUESTED BUDGET

DATE: 2/19/09  
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FTE	CSD	CHALLENGE	SCHOLARSHIP	STARBASE	ARMY	AIR	DES	VA	TOTAL DEPT
11.20	49.15	4.00	41.30	34.00	23.00	30.00	192.65		
Personal Services	776,490	2,079,960	206,295	2,348,750	1,319,275	1,371,743	10,221,578	1,371,743	16,317,953
Operations	96,705	1,192,733	157,644	11,586,725	1,805,169	883,785	563,192	17,730	323,976
Equipment	1,291			304,955					13,614,431
Benefits & Claims	2,280								2,280
TOTAL BUDGET	876,766	3,272,693	250,000	363,939	14,222,430	3,924,234	15,617,491	1,952,665	40,480,218
GENERAL FUND	649,999	1,285,668	250,000		1,256,164	371,515	1,073,414	877,189	5,766,949
STATE SPECIAL	226,767	1,987,025		363,939	12,964,266	3,552,719	332,478	1,407,954	1,407,954
FEDERAL FUNDS	876,766	3,272,693	250,000	363,939	14,222,430	3,924,234	15,617,491	1,952,665	40,480,218

### DECISION PACKAGES

FTE	CSD	CHALLENGE	SCHOLARSHIP	STARBASE	ARMY	AIR	DES	VA	TOTAL DEPT
1.50	49.15	4.00	41.30	34.00	23.00	30.00	192.65		
STATEWIDE DPs	(\$24,597)	(\$63,082)	(\$6,578)	(\$74,498)	(\$56,500)	(\$40,842)	(\$38,277)	(\$304,374)	
NEW PROPOSALS		\$142,189		\$306,795		\$12,435,390	\$121,436	\$12,556,826	\$1,259,209
PRESENT LAW ADJ	(\$24,597)	\$79,107		(\$6,578)	\$231,297	\$272,754	\$12,656,114	\$303,564	\$13,511,661
TOTAL DPs									
GENERAL FUND	(\$17,333)	\$11,640		\$21,184		(\$3,832)	\$126,724	\$103,731	\$242,063
STATE SPECIAL	(\$7,254)	\$67,487		(\$6,578)	\$210,113	\$276,637	\$12,287,368	\$199,833	\$441,855
FEDERAL FUNDS	(\$24,597)	\$79,107		(\$6,578)	\$231,297	\$272,754	\$12,656,114	\$303,564	\$13,511,661

### 2011 REQUESTED BUDGET

FTE	CSD	CHALLENGE	SCHOLARSHIP	STARBASE	ARMY	AIR	DES	VA	TOTAL DEPT
11.20	49.15	4.00	41.30	34.00	23.00	30.00	192.65		
Personal Services	777,688	2,086,639	206,352	2,352,775	1,323,613	1,374,645	10,263,559	1,374,645	16,489,395
Operations	92,245	1,183,488	156,918	11,801,336	1,802,968	642,853	559,587	17,730	323,976
Equipment	1,291			304,955					13,614,431
Benefits & Claims	2,280								2,280
TOTAL BUDGET	873,504	3,270,127	250,000	363,270	14,459,066	3,944,815	15,580,897	1,951,962	40,693,641
GENERAL FUND	646,393	1,284,405	250,000		1,376,364	371,945	1,070,181	877,249	5,876,537
STATE SPECIAL	227,111	1,985,722		363,270	13,082,702	3,572,870	302,477	1,404,713	14,459,892
FEDERAL FUNDS	873,504	3,270,127	250,000	363,270	14,459,066	3,944,815	15,580,897	1,951,962	40,693,641

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STATEWIDE DPs	(\$24,599)	(\$63,844)	(\$6,591)	(\$75,749)	(\$57,021)	(\$41,130)	(\$38,575)	(\$307,609)	
NEW PROPOSALS		\$142,200		\$494,790		\$12,435,455	\$121,525	\$12,556,980	\$1,259,209
PRESENT LAW ADJ	(\$24,599)	\$78,356		(\$6,591)	\$419,041	\$284,823	\$12,625,891	\$303,449	\$13,680,270
TOTAL DPs									
GENERAL FUND	(\$17,423)	\$11,346		(\$6,591)	\$77,877	(\$3,912)	\$126,661	\$103,667	\$298,216
STATE SPECIAL	(\$7,276)	\$67,010		(\$6,591)	\$341,164	\$288,735	\$212,022	\$199,782	\$441,804
FEDERAL FUNDS	(\$24,599)	\$78,356		(\$6,591)	\$419,041	\$284,823	\$12,625,891	\$303,449	\$13,680,270

*Welcome*  
*To the Montana National Guard*

*Agenda*

1240-1245	Lunch
1245-1445	Program Briefings - Centralized Services, ChalleNGe, Scholarship, StarBase, Army, Air, DES, VA
1430-1450	Windshield Tour Ft Harrison & Cemetery
1450-1510	Tour of FOB and MOUT
1510-1530	Visit Simulation Center and Engagement Skills Trainer
1530-1545	Break - Regional Training Institute
1545-1600	Safety Briefing
1600-1700	Orientation Flight Ft Harrison & Limestone Hills Training Area
1700-1715	Walking Tour of AASF
1715-1730	Transport Legislators to Capital



**Department of Military Affairs**

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- **Montana's Premier Emergency Response Force**
- **Always Ready, Always There**
- **Federal - State - Community Missions**

*Brigadier General John E. Walsh*



# Department of Military Affairs

## Missions

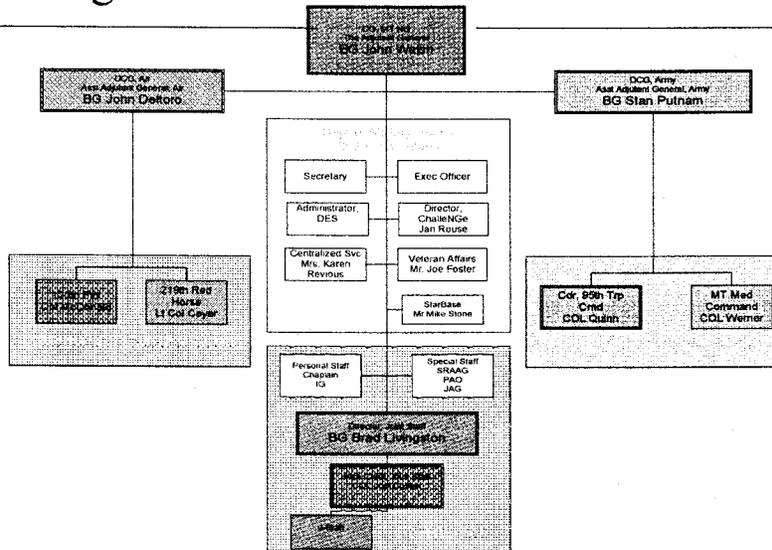
To serve as the primary federal reserve force in support of National security objectives, when called upon by the President.

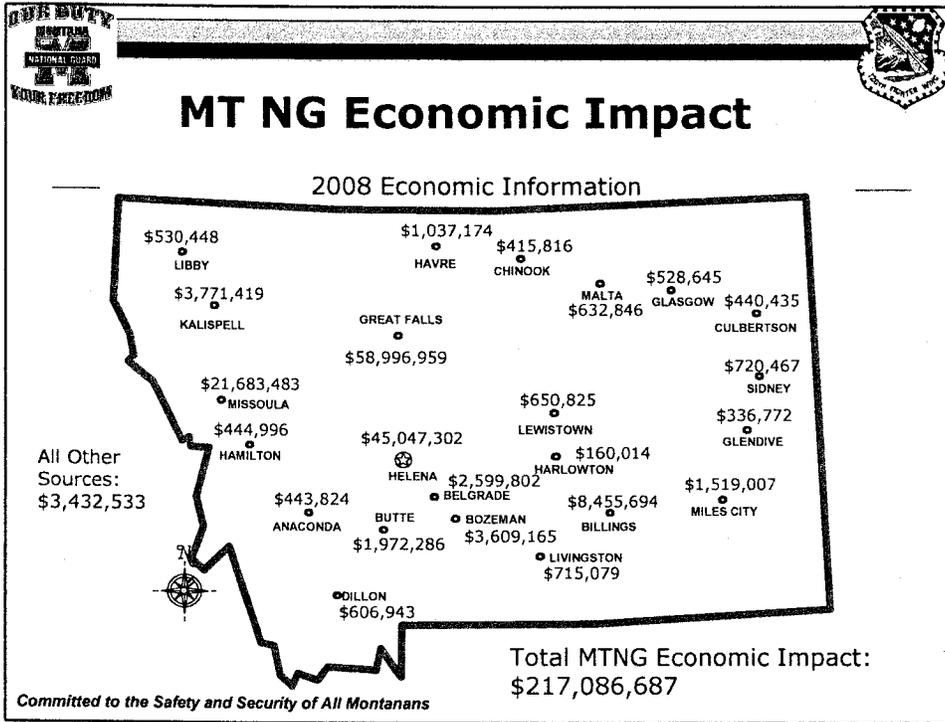
Protection of life and property, preservation of peace, order, and Public safety for Montana's citizens, when called upon by the Governor.

Participate in local, state and national programs That add value to America.



## Who We Are – Organizational Structure





**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS**

**CENTRALIZED SERVICES**



## 01 CENTRALIZED SERVICES

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### Department-wide oversight of:

- Financial Management
- Payroll & Benefits
- Procurement and Contracting
- Property Management
- Information Technology
- Human Resources

## Montana Youth Challenge

Jan Rouse  
Director

## Montana Youth ChalleNGe



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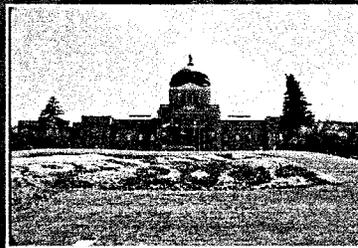
## National Achievements



- In 2004 Montana was the top program in Physical Fitness.
- In 2005 Montana was the top program in Health & Hygiene.
- In 2008 Montana was ranked one of the top programs for Academic Excellence.
- In 2008 Montana was nominated for the Wolfe Award for Excellence in Innovation.

## Program Funding

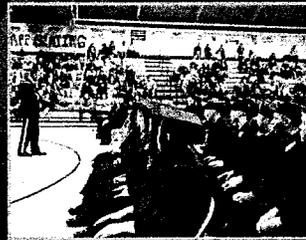
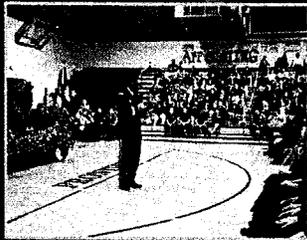
- State Share 40%
- Federal Share 60%



## Graduates

1999 - 2008  
Class 1 - 19

- Male 1002
- Female 339
- Total 1341
- Native Americans 206  
(included in Total)



# Education

## Increase in Grade Level

Nine Year Average

- Reading 1.6
- Math 1.6
- GED 80% (while in the Program)

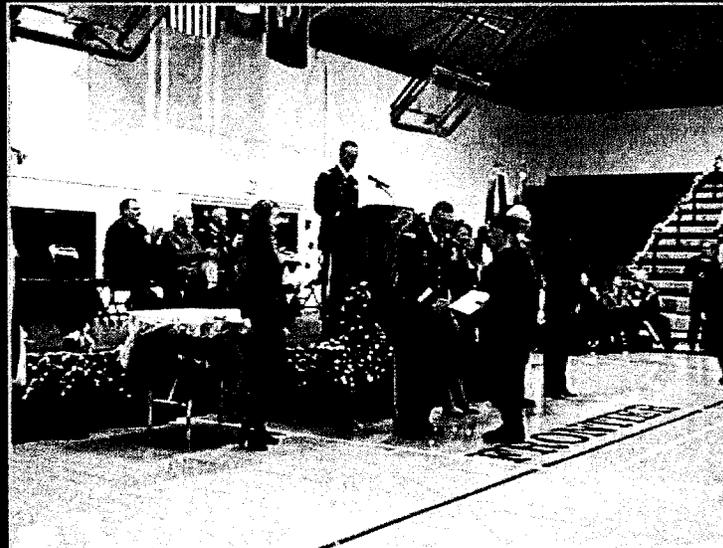
\*\* State Audit shows 97% of all Challenge graduates obtain their GED while in the Program or after graduation.



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# Questions?



OUR DUTY  
MONTANA  
NATIONAL GUARD  
OUR FREEDOM



# Montana National Guard Scholarship Program

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7 February 2009 COL Jeff Ireland

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## Brief Overview

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- ❑ Scholarship originated with the 56<sup>th</sup> Legislative session, with appropriations totaling \$250,000 a biennium.
- ❑ Currently the National Guard receives \$500,000 per biennium, \$250,000 per fiscal year
- ❑ Soldiers/Airmen who meet criteria receive up to \$900 a semester, up to \$1800 a year.



## Overview cont.

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- Payments:
  - Awarded at the end of the semester upon receipt of final grades
  - Rate is determined on number of passing credits (up to \$75 a credit)
  - Additional \$250 is paid to those attending Community Colleges



## Scholarship Success

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- To Date (July 07-June09)
  - Scholarships Awarded = 648
    - Totaling = \$500,000
    - Waiting List = 60+



## Recruiting and Retention

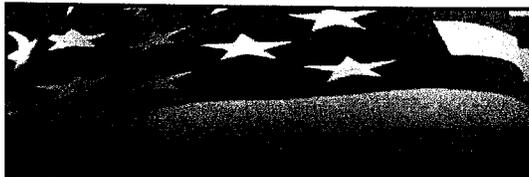
- Additional Recruiting Tool
  - ✦ Significant for ANG
- Helps retain Soldiers and Airmen
- Increased educational skill level for Guard Members
- 40% of our guard members have or are working on a degree

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Mission is  
to raise the interest  
and improve the  
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of youth in  
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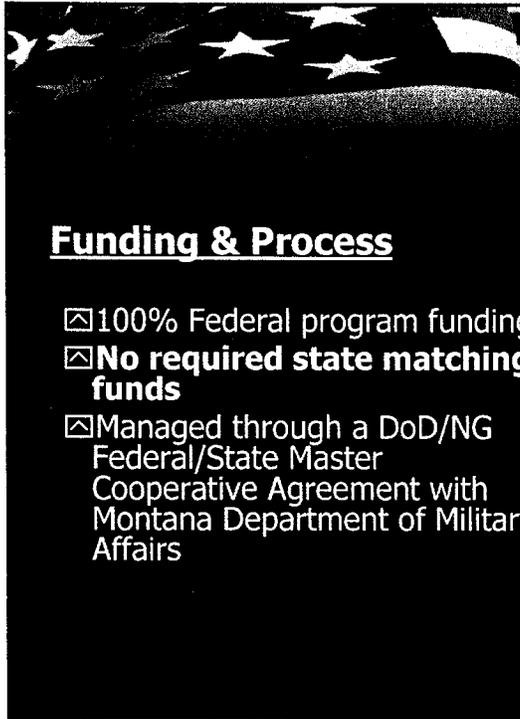


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**National Background and Statistics**

- The DoD STARBASE program is recognized as one of America's premier programs for youth in Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM) education.
- Started in 1991 with an initial grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. In 1993 Congress allocated funds initially for seven STARBASE Academies across the nation.
- After 17 years of success, DoD STARBASE has grown to 59 Academies operating in 34 states. To date, the program has provided 20-25 hours of direct Science, Math, Engineering, and Technology (STEM) experiences at military bases for over 400,000 students.
- STARBASE Montana "Fort Harrison" launched in September 2007 & has graduated 1,306 students to date.





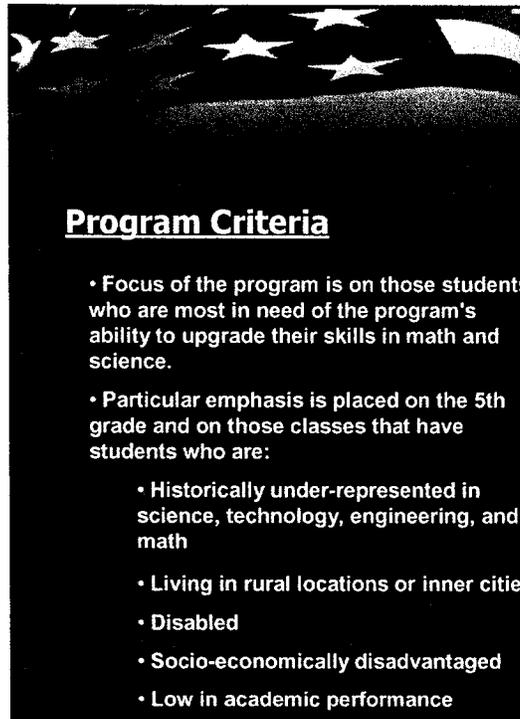
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**Funding & Process**

- ☑ 100% Federal program funding
- ☑ **No required state matching funds**
- ☑ Managed through a DoD/NG Federal/State Master Cooperative Agreement with Montana Department of Military Affairs







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**Program Criteria**

- Focus of the program is on those students who are most in need of the program's ability to upgrade their skills in math and science.
- Particular emphasis is placed on the 5th grade and on those classes that have students who are:
  - Historically under-represented in science, technology, engineering, and math
  - Living in rural locations or inner cities
  - Disabled
  - Socio-economically disadvantaged
  - Low in academic performance



## Curriculum

The STARBASE program is a cooperative program between the National Guard and selected school districts for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students working under new call names such as Alpha, X-Ray, Scout, Bobcat, & Grizzly, who enjoy exploring science, technology, engineering & math for five school days. They learn the forces of flight, the properties of air, Bernoulli's Principles, and Newton's laws. They "fly" simulators, build rockets, practice teamwork, set goals and return to their classrooms, "jazzed to learn more about math and science."



## Program Benefits to Districts

- ☑ Innovative Program to enhance the already established State educational content standards
- ☑ Reinforces in the acceleration of the learning process
  - ☑ Measurable improvement of mean test scores of +/- 30% from pre-test to post-test
- ☑ Additional resource to help reduce the achievement gap between Title 1 and non-Title 1 students
- ☑ Targets "highly qualified" certified teachers as program instructors
- ☑ Lauded by classroom teachers as an outstanding learning experience



## OPERATIONS

### Surveys

*"It was a fantastic visit. I appreciate the overview and the opportunity to build rockets with the students!"*  
Bruce K. Messinger, Superintendent, Helena Public Schools

*"Starbase Gang. I wanted to let you know how wonderful the week at STARBASE was for the kids and myself. We were so blessed to have the opportunity to attend your program. The students and I were not ready for it to be over. We all learned so much!"*  
Krystal Hayes, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Augusta Elementary School

*"Again, thanks for the wonderful learning experience for all!"*  
Mary Jo O'Brian, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Rossitor Elementary School, Helena

*"Thank you for the wonderful experience. Your outstanding instruction as facilitators really make this program worthwhile!"*  
Barb Anez, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Radley Elementary School, East Helena

*"Thank you soooooo- much for teaching my class & me about Newton's Law's, states of matter, forces of flight and everything else. The thing that was most fun was launching my rocket. That opened up a new hobby for my dad and me".*  
Isabella Reber "Bengal Tiger", student, Radley Elementary School, East Helena

*"I want to be an engineer and I tell my friends to go to STARBASE, it is AWESOME!"*  
Student Survey, Kessler Elementary School, Helena

### Way Ahead

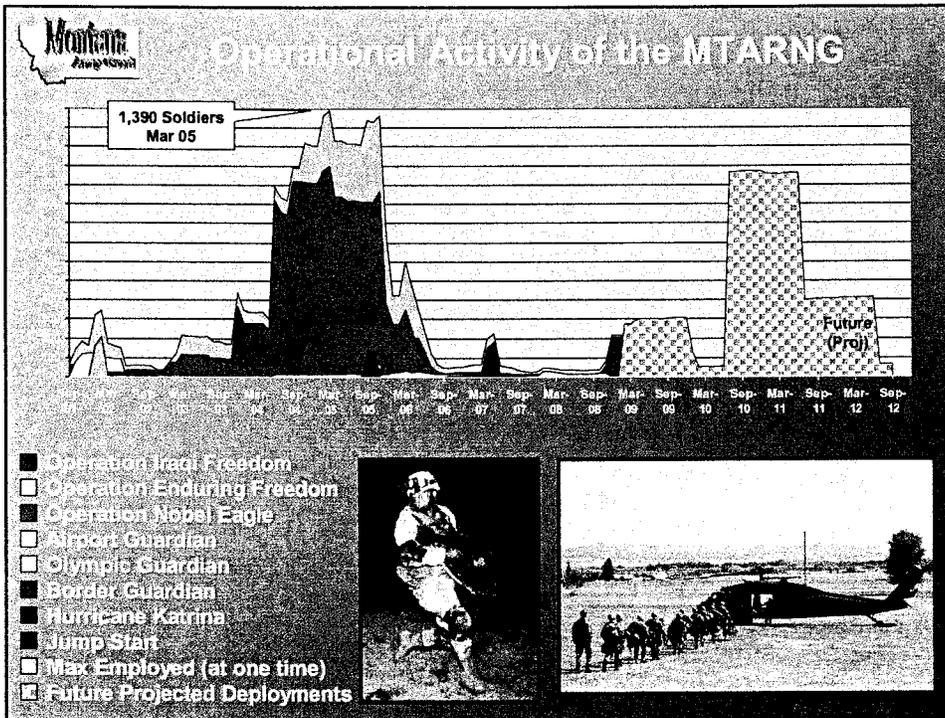
- Define 2<sup>nd</sup> program site location
- Coordinate third year schedule



# Montana Army National Guard

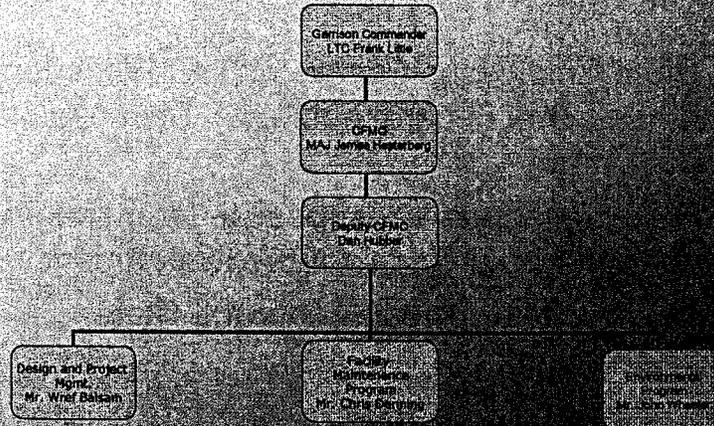
Legislative Tour 2009

BG Stan R. Putnam





# Army National Guard Program - Facilities



## Design & Project Mgmt. Division DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS



*Mr. Wref Balsam*



## Army National Guard Program Facilities

- Design & Project Management -

- State Employees funded with 100% Federal funds. One Federal position. Seven total positions.
- Project managers responsible for managing construction projects for the Department
- Team effort between Federal & State Government



## Army National Guard Program Facilities

- Design & Constr. Projects -

### Projects approved last session LRBP:

* Miles City Readiness Center	\$10,000,000 (100% Fed)
* Missoula AFRC	\$31,000,000 (100% Fed)
* Female Latrines	\$580,000 (50/50 Split)
* Montana Vet's Cemetery	\$1,200,000 (100% Fed)
* DES Command Post	\$172,500 (100 % State)
* Federal Spending Authority	\$2,000,000 (100 % Fed)

Totals Last Session:	\$44,490,000 (Fed)	\$462,500 (State)
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### Projects proposed this session LRBP: (No new square footage)

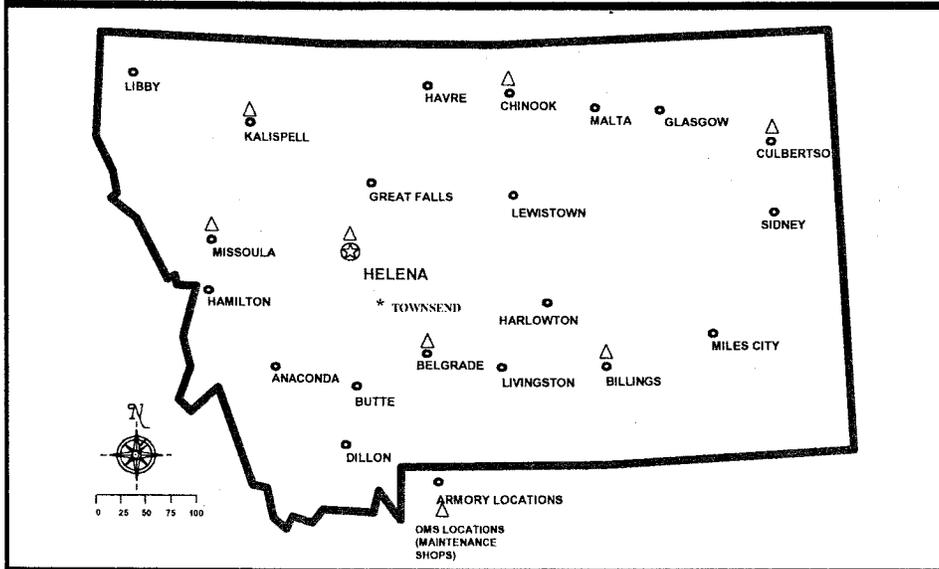
* Energy Conservation Improvements	\$885,000 (Fed)	\$265,000 (State)
* Infrastructure Phase 3- Ft. Harrison	\$1,600,000 (100% Fed)	
* Parking Lots Statewide	\$100,000 (Fed)	\$100,000 (State)
* Federal Spending Authority	\$2,000,000 (100% Fed)	

Totals:	\$4,585,000 (Fed)	\$365,000 (State)
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## Army National Guard Program Facilities

- Program Overview -

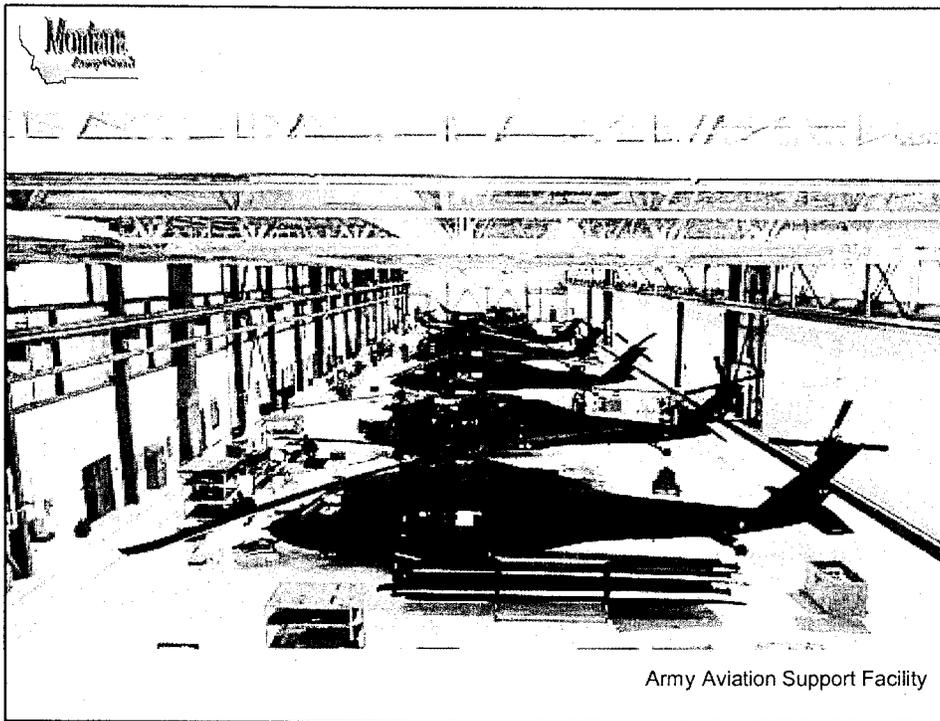


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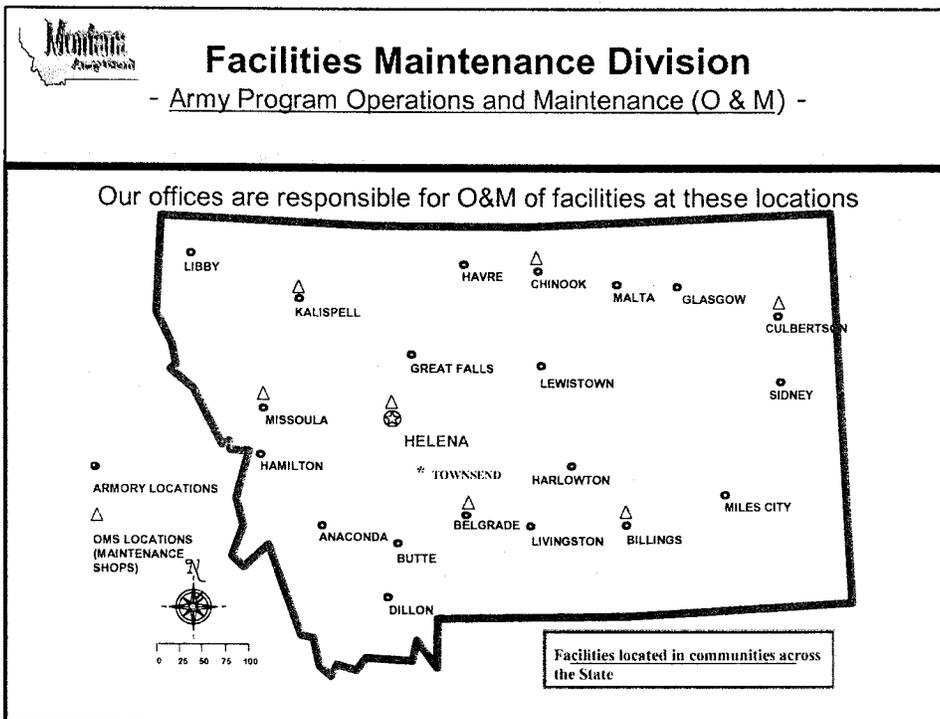
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Mr. Chris Denning



Army Aviation Support Facility

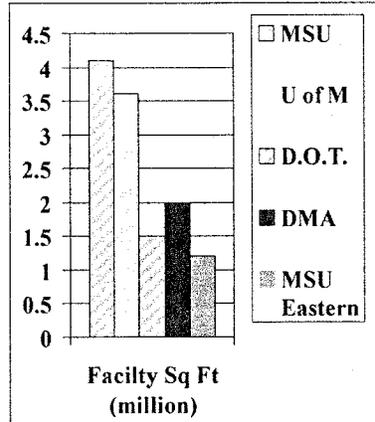




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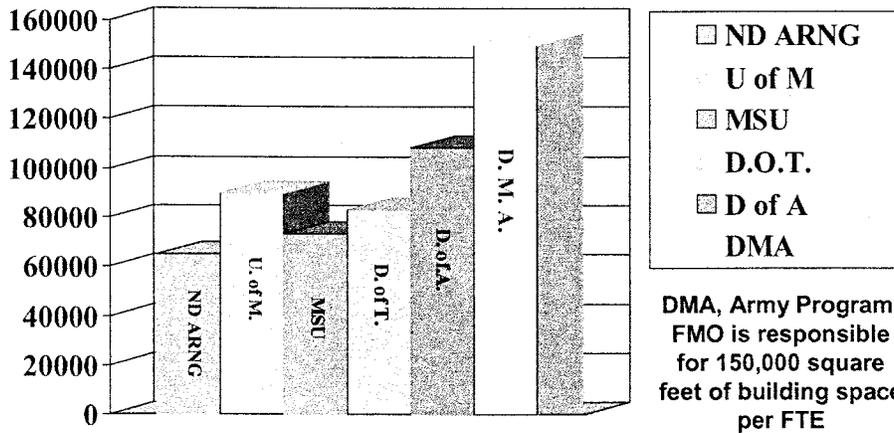
13 FTE's within this Division are currently assigned just under 2 million square feet of facility maintenance.



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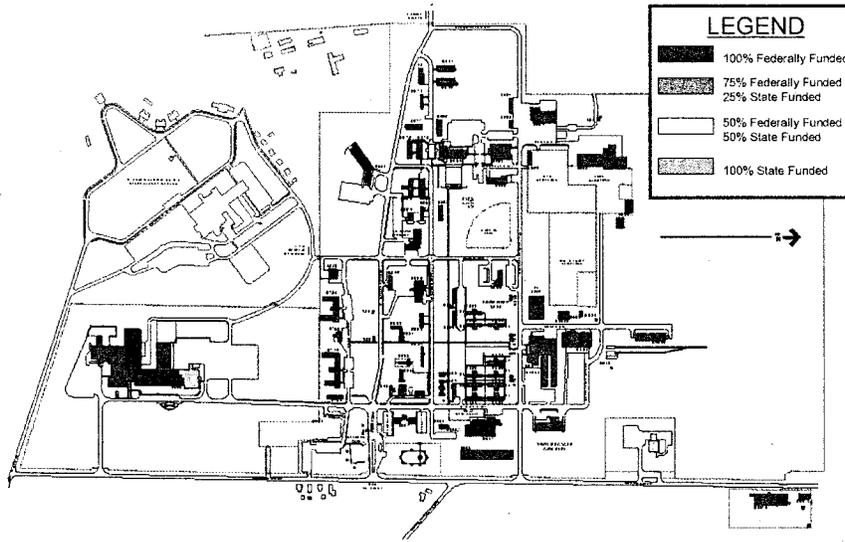
Ratio of Maintenance for the Square Feet of Facilities per FTE





## Facilities Maintenance Division

- Army Program Operations and Maintenance (O & M) -



## Army Environmental Program

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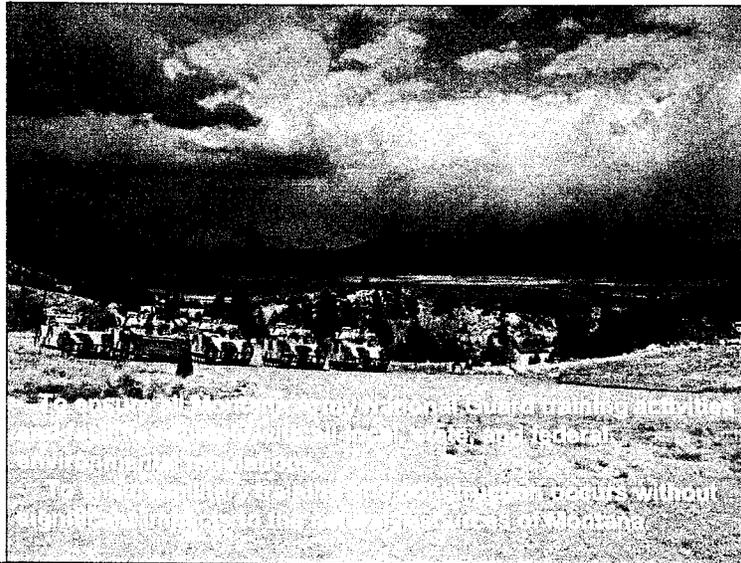


*Mr. John Wheeler*



## Army Environmental Program

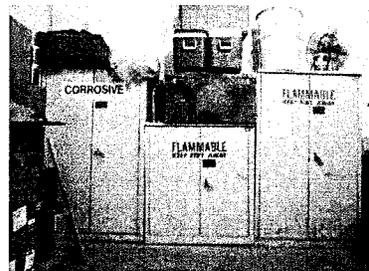
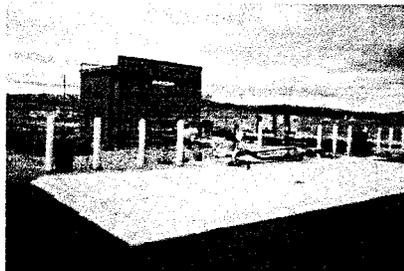
- Mission -



## Army Environmental Program

-How to Achieve This Mission-

- Provide written guidance
- Identify sites needing corrective action
- Actively assess environmental impacts of proposed projects
- Provide training for soldiers and state employees
- Serve as liaison with regulatory personnel during inspections
- Obtain federal funding from National Guard Bureau
  - 98% of the Environmental Program is federally funded





## Army National Guard Program Facilities – Decision Packages

- DP 1201 – Operational Support for New ARNG Facilities
  - One FTE (Carpenter) 80% Federally Funded
  - Funding to support operational costs of \$96,199 for FY2010
  - Funding to support operational costs of \$285,134 for FY2011
  
- DP 1202 – 100% Federal Support for National Guard Operations
  - One FTE - GIS Supervisor
  - Two FTE - Electronic Security System Technicians
  - Federal Funding of \$209,596 for FY2010
  - Federal Funding of \$209,656 for FY2011

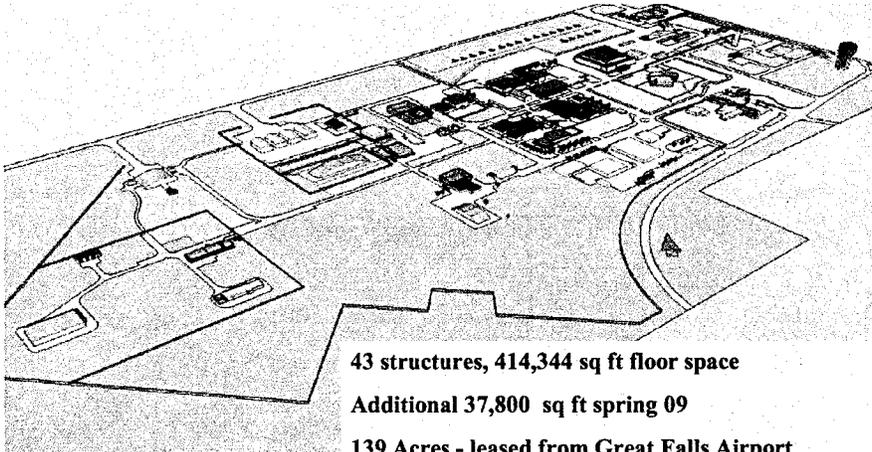
**120th Fighter Wing**  
**Welcome Montana Legislators**

Presented by  
1st Col Jim Oettinger  
Equity Mission Support Group  
Commander

The graphic features a central image of a fighter jet in flight over a landscape. It includes several logos: the Montana State Seal in the top left, the 120th Fighter Wing seal in the bottom right, and a Texas State Seal in the bottom left. A silhouette of a longhorn is also visible at the bottom.



# Base Infrastructure



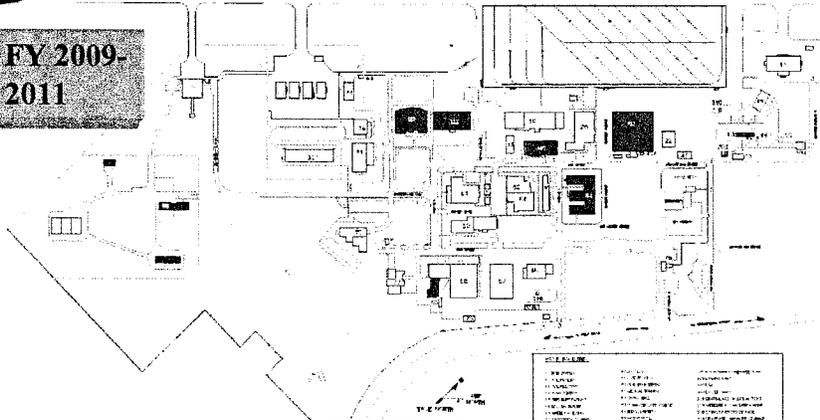
43 structures, 414,344 sq ft floor space  
 Additional 37,800 sq ft spring 09  
 139 Acres - leased from Great Falls Airport Authority, through 2060  
 FY 09 Replacement cost - \$220 M



# UPDATES TO 120 FW INFRASTRUCTURE



FY 2009-2011



Projected increase of 37,800 sq. ft.

LEGEND	
1	EXISTING BUILDING
2	NEW CONSTRUCTION
3	RENOVATION
4	DEMOLITION
5	ASPHALT DRIVE
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All RED areas to be modified or new construction



## ***Base Infrastructure***

### ***Facilities Program***

Last 3 Years (2006-2008) = **\$26,344,000**

Next 3 Years (2009-2011) = **\$12,190,000**

### ***Facilities Program Future Projects:***

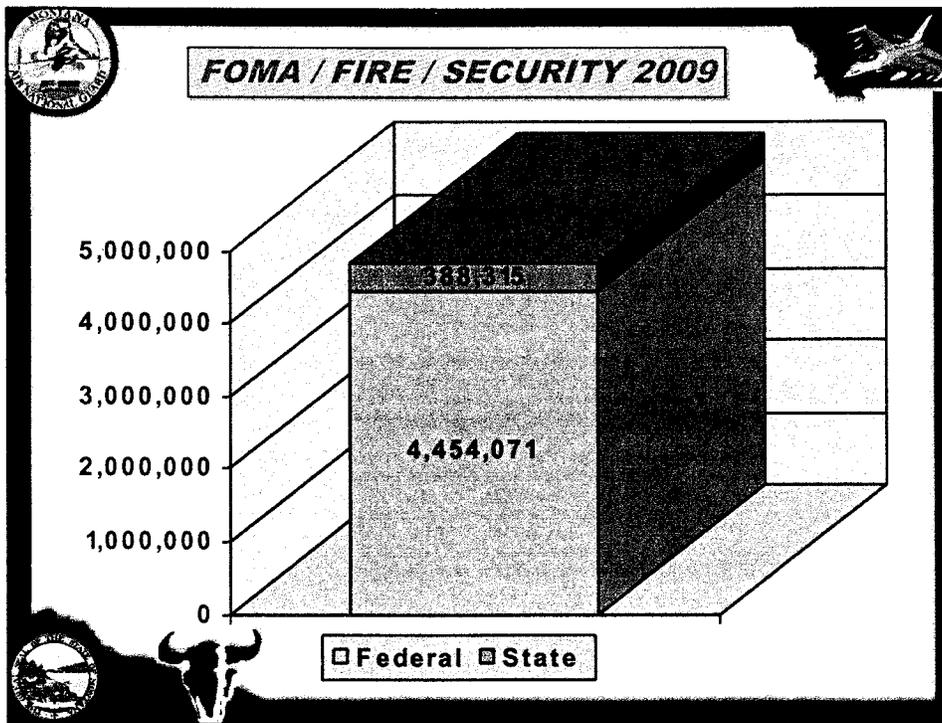
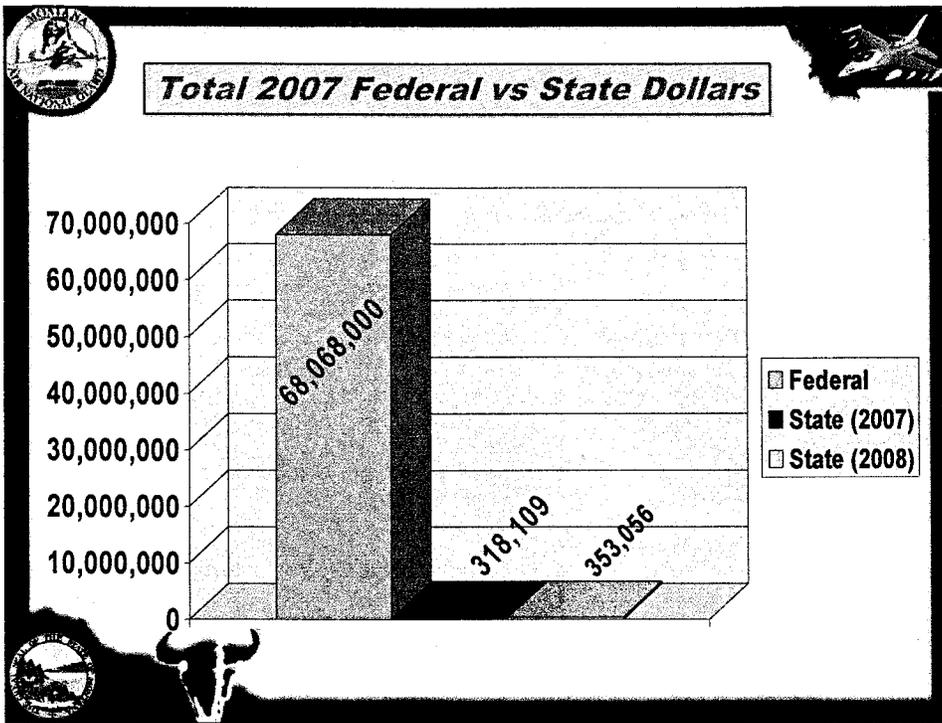
- New HQ Building (\$8.0 Million)
- Add/Alter Main Hangar (\$2.0 Million)
- Upgrade Fuel Cell Fire Suppression (\$750K)
- Upgrade NDI Shop (\$890K)
- Upgrade POL Facility (\$550K)



## ***Economic Impact to Montana 2007***

<b>Salaries</b>	<b>\$33,629,000</b>
<b>Indirect Jobs</b>	<b>\$7,242,000</b>
<b>Construction</b>	<b>\$14,890,000</b>



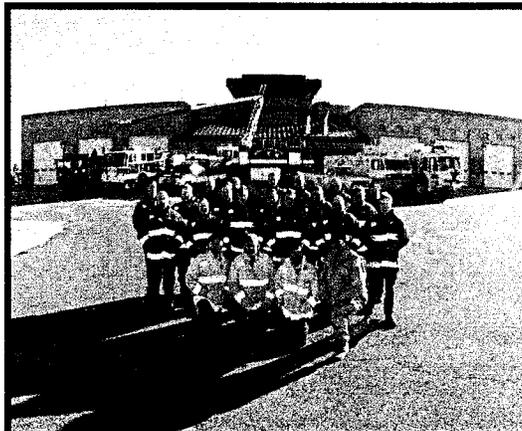




**Get More Than You Pay For!**

**State pays \$388,315.00 and receives  
\$4,842,386.00 in services:**

- 1. Facility Upkeep**
- 2. Security Contract**
- 3. Fire Department**
- 4. 1000 trained individuals**



**LEGISLATIVE REQUESTS  
2010-2011**

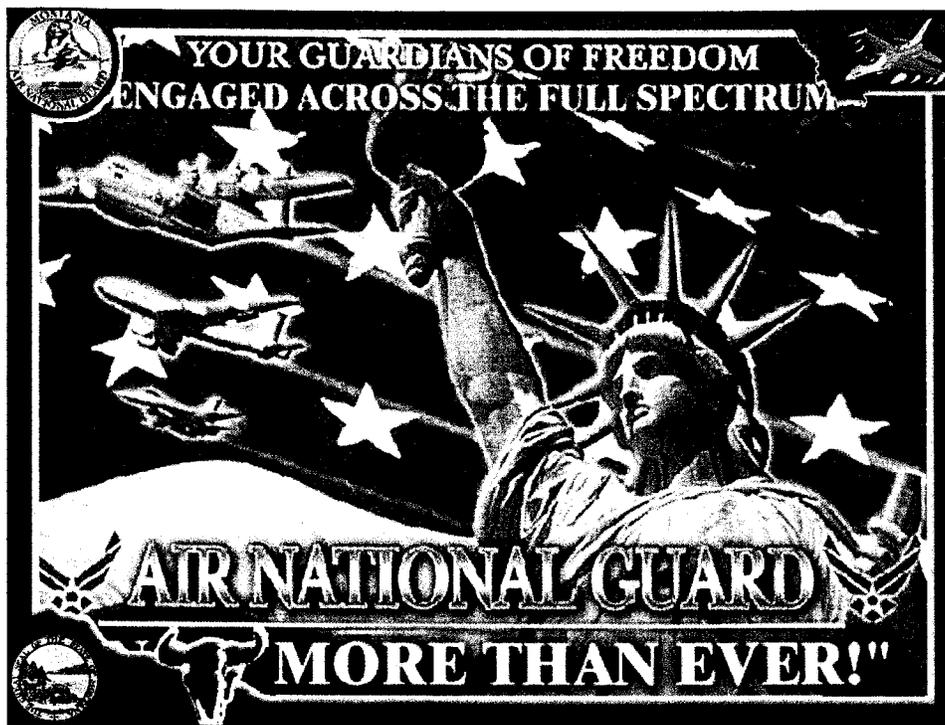
**Request continuation of:**

**Federal Spending Authority for Fire Fighter OT  
\$0 / \$671,098**

This is a request to provide 100% federal spending authority for the overtime salary and benefit costs incurred by the Air National Guard firefighters in Great Falls. Overtime costs are zero based and are not captured in the personnel services snapshot used for the initial budget preparation. Each biennium this authority is requested through the EPP process.

There are 24 Air Guard firefighters in Great Falls. These firefighters work between 182 and 416 regular extra hours per year. The requirement for additional hours is caused by the 24 hour a day, 7 day a week crash/fire coverage necessary to support and maintain the Air National Guard mission and joint use requirements with the Great Falls International Airport. Scheduling requirements and holiday hours result in an additional 10,164 paid hours each year. FLSA overtime must be paid for all firefighter hours worked exceeding 212 in a two pay period month, and result in an additional 2,592 paid overtime hours each year.





**Disaster and Emergency Services**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS**

*"Building lasting  
 partnerships through  
 coordination, cooperation,*



*collaboration,  
 communication and a  
 commitment to  
 excellence."*

**Mr. Ken Mesch**

## Disaster and Emergency Services

- Legal Authorities -



### 10-3-101

•MCA Declaration of Policy

### •10-3-104

•MCA General Authority of Governor

### •10-3-105

•MCA Disaster & Emergency Services



## Disaster and Emergency Services

- Vision and Mission -



### VISION:

Create a secure and disaster resistant Montana.

### MISSION:

Ensure that proactive measures are implemented to prevent, deter or deal with incidents, emergencies or disasters in an effort to:

- Provide for the common defense
- Protect the public peace and health/safety; and
- Preserve the lives and property of the people of this state.

## Disaster and Emergency Services

- Function of Partnerships -



- County
  - Cities
  - Towns
  - Municipalities
- Tribal
- State
- Federal
- Private Industry
- Volunteer Agencies

All Hazards



## What we do:

- 24-Hour Duty Officer Program
- Assist local jurisdictions in planning, training, response and recovery.
- Keep the Governor's Office informed and prepare declarations.
- Coordinate State Agency response, including National Guard.
- Interface with the Federal Government through FEMA.



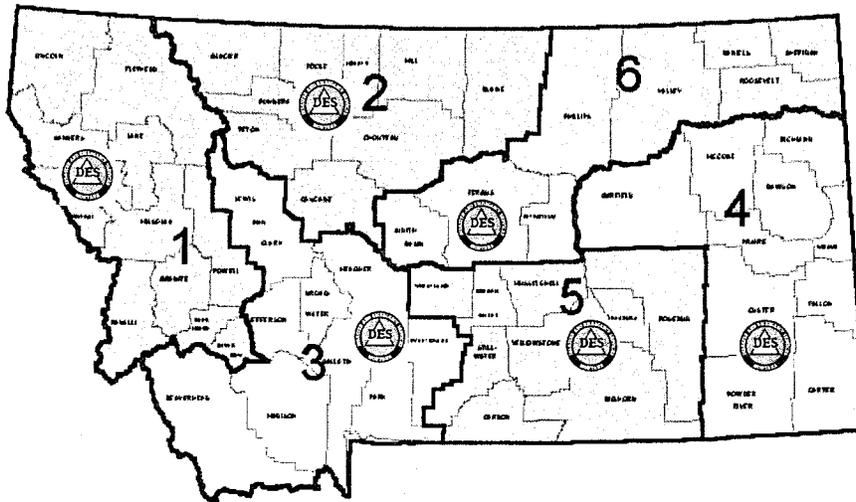
## How we respond:

- Local or Tribal Government determines need.
- Assist to find and mobilize the closest qualified resources.
- County/City/Tribe responsible for costs unless there is a Governor's Declaration, then Local Government is generally responsible for only the first 2 mils.

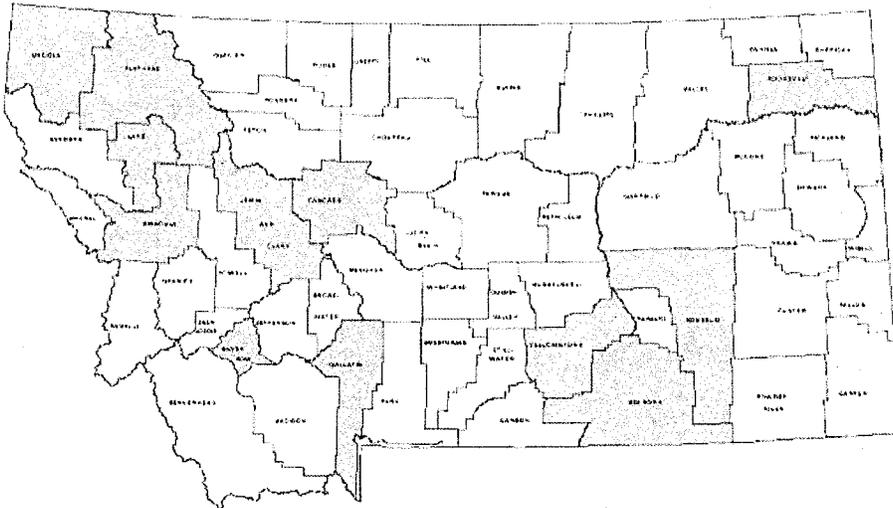


## Disaster and Emergency Services

- District Offices -



**Disaster and Emergency Services**  
- Full-Time County DES Coordinators -



**Disaster and Emergency Services**  
- Funding -



- State General Fund
- Homeland Security Grants
  - Emergency Management Performance Grant
  - Homeland Security
- Supports 23 Full-time Employees

**Disaster and Emergency Services**  
-FEDERAL FUNDING TO LOCAL/TRIBAL JURISDICTIONS-  
- 1999 TO DATE -



**DHS GRANTS**            \$ 79,000,000

**EMPG**                    \$ 16,500,000

**FEMA DISASTER**    \$119,000,000

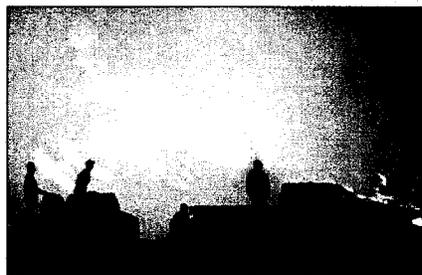
**Total**                    **\$213,500,000.00**



**Disaster and Emergency Services**  
- Disaster Funding Resources -

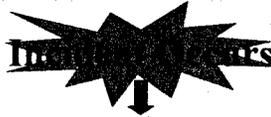


- Governor's Disaster and Emergency Fund
- Presidential Disaster Funding
- Federal Fire Suppression Declarations



# Disaster and Emergency Services

- The Process -



## Local Government Responds

Local Government Declaration

## State Assistance (through MT-DES)

Governor's Declaration

Private / VOAD

State Agencies

EMAC Assistance

## Federal Assistance (through FEMA)

Presidential Declaration

Federal Response Plan

Local government remains in charge



## Montana Veterans Affairs Division

*"The people declare that Montana servicemen, servicewomen, and veterans may be given special considerations determined by the legislature"*

Article II, Section 35, Montana Constitution

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## **Montana Board of Veterans Affairs**

### *- Mission and Composition -*

**Mission:** Oversee the State of Montana's provision of veterans services, as provided by the Montana Veterans Affairs Division.

**<> 20 members; 11 voting, 9 non-voting.**

+ 11 voting members; 10 appointed by Governor, 1 appointed by Montana's eight Tribal Councils (consensus).

- 5 represent geographic regions of the state. \*
- 1 is an "at-large" veterans' representative. \*
- 1 is the Native American veterans' representative. \*
- 1 is Montana's Tribal Councils' consensus appointee. \*
- 3 have training, experience or education related to veteran issues.

\* **Must be an honorably discharged veteran.**

+ 9 non-voting members representing: Governor's Office of Indian Affairs / State Dept. of Military Affairs / State Dept. of Public Health and Human Services / U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs / U.S. Dept. of Labor / Montana's Congressional delegation (3) / State Administration and Veterans Affairs Interim Committee.

## Montana Veterans Affairs Division

### - Mission -

*Promote the general welfare of Montana veterans and their families.*

#### THRU:

- Establishment of a statewide network of service for discharged veterans and their families.
- Provision of services and assistance for all Montana veterans and surviving spouses and dependents; in coordination with associated federal and state agencies, veterans services organizations, private organizations and individuals.
- Management, operation and maintenance of Montana's state veterans cemetery program.
- Assist and advise the general public, governmental agencies, and elected officials regarding veterans' services, programs, initiatives and policy.

## Montana Veterans Affairs Division

### - Major Program Accomplishments in FY08/09 -

#### Veterans Services Outreach:

- ◆ **Board of Veterans Affairs** – Town Hall meeting included with Board meetings; and have been held in Helena, Laurel, Lewistown, Missoula, Butte and Billings during fiscal years 2008-2009.
- ◆ **Wolf Point Veterans Service Office** – Newly established, one-person office created to better serve northeastern Montana's veteran population.
- ◆ **Public Service Announcements (PSA)** – 30-second radio PSAs developed and aired featuring information about post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury conditions and treatment resources. 60-second and 30-second television PSAs developed and aired featuring information about the post-traumatic stress disorder condition and treatment resources.

#### State Veterans Cemetery Program:

- ◆ **Western Montana State Veterans Cemetery (Missoula)** – Construction completed and cemetery operational Oct. 6, 2008. The \$4.1 million project is funded by a federal VA grant. The State of Montana now has three veterans cemeteries. State veterans cemetery ongoing operations and maintenance is State of Montana funding requirement.

#### Veterans Services Operations:

- ◆ **Website** – Veterans service office contact information and outreach schedules, Board and Advisory Council meeting minutes, and "feature" items.
- ◆ **Information Management** – DSL communication lines for veterans service offices allow service officers access to protected client information maintained by the federal VA; resulting in more efficient and timely veteran claim services.
- ◆ **DAV Transport Program** – Partnership with the Disabled American Veterans organization to purchase vans for its statewide veteran transport system.

# Montana Veterans Affairs Division

## - Organization -

### ◆ Organization Personnel and Facility Locations

- 25 FTE:**
- 1 - administrator
  - 1 - office manager
  - 1 - administrative/veterans services assistant
  - 19 - veterans services officers
  - 3 - veteran cemetery program

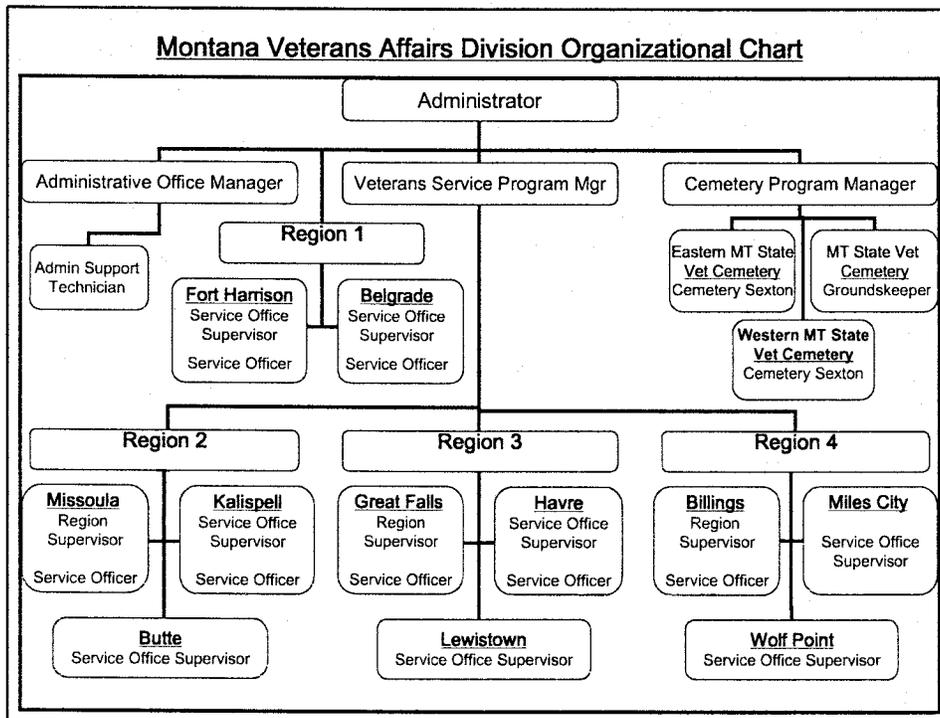
#### 11 Veterans Services Offices:

Belgrade – Billings – Butte – Great Falls – Havre – Helena  
 Kalispell – Lewistown – Miles City – Missoula – Wolf Point

#### 3 State Veterans Cemeteries:

Montana State Veterans Cemetery – Fort Harrison (Helena)  
 Eastern Montana State Veterans Cemetery – Miles City  
 Western Montana State Veterans Cemetery – Missoula

Administration Office: Fort Harrison (Helena)



## Montana Veterans Affairs Division - Offices and Cemeteries -

- Veterans Service Offices:**

**Belgrade**

350 Airport Road  
388-4601

**Billings**

1234 Avenue C  
248-8579

**Butte**

600 Gilman Ave.  
533-0910

**Great Falls**

600 Central Plaza, #304  
452-2265

**Havre**

232 1<sup>st</sup> St. West  
265-4225

**Helena**

Ft. Harrison VA Center  
443-8756

**Kalispell**

2989 Hwy 93 North  
755-3795

**Lewistown**

505 West Main, Suite 217  
538-3174

**Miles City**

VA Primary Care Clinic  
874-5869

**Missoula**

2501 S. Reserve St.  
542-2501

**Wolf Point**

Tip Top Plaza #2  
653-5105

- State Veterans Cemeteries:**

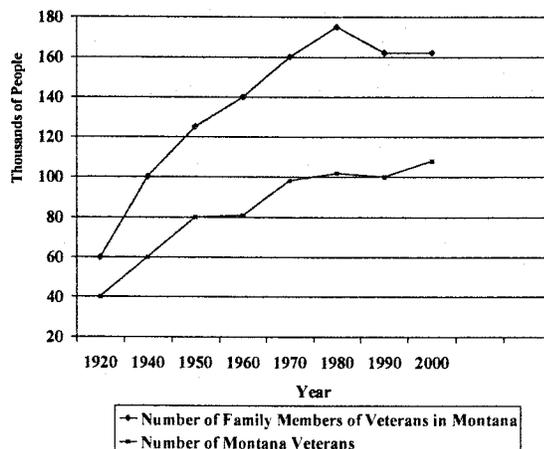
Montana State Veterans Cemetery Fort Harrison (Helena), 324-3741

Eastern Montana State Veterans Cemetery Miles City, 951-1325

Western Montana State Veterans Cemetery Missoula, 721-5778

- Administration Office:** Fort Harrison (Helena) - 324-3740

## Montana Veterans Affairs Division - Montana Veterans and Family Members -



Statistics as of 2000 census -  
U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs

**#2 Per Capita** - Montana's  
veteran population national  
ranking.

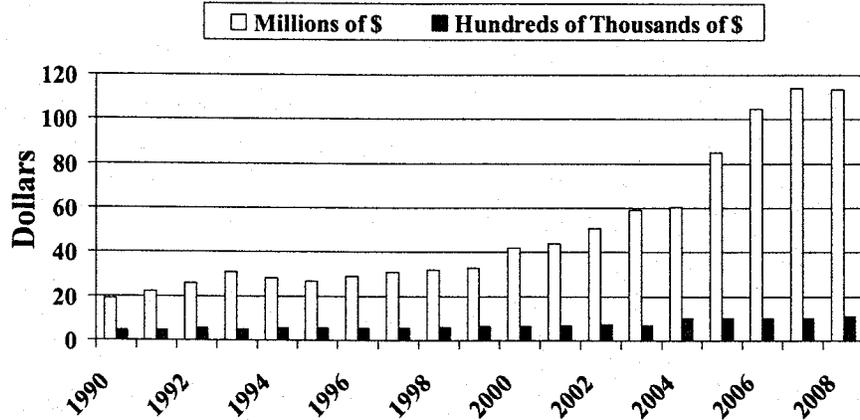
**Montana**

Veterans	108,000
Family Members	162,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>270,000</b>

**Montana Veterans Affairs Division**  
**- Economic Impact of Agency Work Effort -**

For every \$1 of state General/Special Fund budget investment, MVAD veterans services offices attain \$102 in federal VA financial compensation to Montana veterans.

FY08 Gen/Spec Budget = \$1,114,631    FY08 Federal VA Compensation = \$113,570,669



**Montana Veterans Affairs Division**

**- State Veterans Cemeteries -**

- Montana State Veterans Cemetery – Fort Harrison (est. 1988)

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Burials</u>
2007	157
2008	211
2009	99 (to date)

Total since 1988:    2393

- Eastern Montana State Veterans Cemetery – Miles City (est. 2002)

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Burials</u>
2007	24
2008	34
2009	14 (to date)

Total since 2002:    238

- Western Montana State Veterans Cemetery – Missoula (est. 2008)

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Burials</u>
2009	58 (to date)

## Montana Veterans Affairs Division - 2009 Legislative Session Decision Packages -

### DP 3101 – VA Cemetery Operations Support:

- ◆ 2 FTE to operate and maintain the Western Montana State Veterans Cemetery in Missoula.
- ◆ \$220,405 special revenue spending authority to support operations and maintenance of Montana's three state veterans cemeteries.

### DP3102 – Expand and Enhance Statewide Veterans Services:

- ◆ 3 FTE to be stationed in areas currently underserved with veterans services – Billings, Fort Harrison and Missoula. All to be filled as "veterans service officers."
- + Billings service area has state's largest veteran demographic concentration.
- + Missoula service area has state's most rapidly growing veteran demographic concentration – weekly outreach services to Polson area; incorporate Thompson Falls/Plains outreach.
- + Fort Harrison office conducts full spectrum of veterans services, plus: quality control review of all claim products (2300 disability compensation claims in FY08), rating appeals representation, liaison /coordination with federal VA staff.

