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U.S. Army Reserves to Break Ground on New Training Facility in Quincy, Ill

Name of project and location:	Army Reserve Center (ARC) Training Facility 24 th & Weiss Lane, Northwood Business Park
Type of development:	New construction
Description of project:	(proposed) 15 acres; 30,912 sq ft ARC Training Facility; 4,841 sq ft Vehicle Maintenance Shop; 913 sq ft Storage Building; 15,360 sq yd Organizational Parking
Cost of Project:	\$12.2 million
Contractor:	Old Veteran Construction Company, Inc., Chicago, Ill
Developer:	U.S. Army Reserves
Owner:	U.S. Army Reserves
Construction start date:	TBA (preliminary site work has been completed)
Expected completion date:	TBA

General Information:

The proposed Army Reserve Center (ARC) includes an ARC training building, Vehicle Maintenance Shop, Unheated Storage Building and Organizational Parking. The U.S. Army Reserves purchased 15 acres in the Northwood Business Park just southeast of 24th & Weiss Lane from local developer, Richard McNay. Current tenants of the park include Schwann's and KTM. The site is located across the street from Knapheide Manufacturing Company's headquarters.

The 150-member training facility will provide administrative, educational, assembly, library, learning center, vault, weapons simulator, and physical fitness areas for one Army Reserve Transportation Company. The maintenance shop will provide work bays and maintenance administrative support. The project will also provide adequate parking space for military and privately-owned vehicles.

Funding for the \$12.2 million Army Reserve Center in Quincy has received tentative approval from the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., said in a press release dated July 2010 that the money would cover land acquisition and construction of a 150-member training facility for the local Army Reserve transportation company. The release said the facility is necessary to support additional Brigade Combat Teams currently being activated by the Army. "Without the new facility, the Army Reserve will not be able to support the new brigades when they are deployed to meet current and future war fighting missions," the release said.

Plans call for the current Army Reserve Training Center at 601 N. 36th in Quincy to be retained for use by military units other than the transportation unit.

Located on the Mississippi River, Quincy, Illinois, is the largest city within a 100-mile radius and serves as a regional hub for 600,000 people in Western Illinois, Northeast Missouri and Southeast Iowa. For more information about Quincy and Adams County, contact the Great River Economic Development Foundation at 217.223.4313 or visit www.gredf.org.
