

## **Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command Headquarters JPAC, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Oahu, Hawaii**

**August 2011**

**N**aval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii is the Navy's Administrative Contracting Office for the new Headquarters facility for the Joint Prisoners of War (POW)/Missing in Action (MIA) Accounting Command (JPAC), located on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH). This facility will be built on what is currently an open field near Kuntz Gate.



*Contractor rendering of the new JPAC Headquarters Facility near Kuntz Gate at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.*

When complete, the new building will optimize the command's efficiency by consolidating all of its functions and their associated records into a single, three-story structure equipped to handle the projected increase in personnel during daily operations.

A ground breaking ceremony was held on Aug. 30, 2011.

## **Contract Award**

NAVFAC Pacific awarded this project, P-005, to Nan Inc on June 6, 2011 for \$62,668,102. Construction is expected to commence September 2011 with a projected completion date of July 2013.

## **Background**

JPAC is currently split between two sides (Air Force or Hickam-side/Navy or Pearl-side) of JBPHH on Oahu. Its Central Identification Laboratory (CIL) and part of its operational and supporting staff occupy Bldg. 45 and several modular trailers on Worchester Avenue on the Air Force/Hickam-side of JBPHH between the Navy's Alpha Piers near the entrance to Pearl Harbor and Hickam Beach.

Another part of the CIL operational and supporting staff occupies a portion of Bldg. 220, on the Navy/Pearl-side, across the base on South Avenue, between Nimitz and Porter Gates. Additionally, JPAC maintains an offsite storage warehouse for the overflow of mission support equipment on Pearl City Peninsula.

Non-laboratory staff also occupies office spaces in Bldg. 20 on Marine Corps Base Camp H.M. Smith in Halawa Heights.

## **JPAC Mission**

JPAC's mission is to achieve the fullest possible accounting of all Americans missing as a result of our nation's previous conflicts. Created from the merger of the 30-year-old U.S. Army Central Identification Laboratory, Hawaii, and the 11-year-old Joint Task Force-Full Accounting, JPAC is committed and dedicated to bringing home the nation's service members and civilians who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Employing more than 400 personnel and commanded by U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Stephen Tom, JPAC has spanned the globe in search of missing Americans since its inception in 2003. In Fiscal Year 2010, 75 recovery and investigation teams deployed to 18 countries searching for those heroes that remain unaccounted-for.

JPAC recognizes that the efforts and involvement of POW/MIA families and veterans contribute significantly to its success, and that it owes a great deal of gratitude to the families, veterans, and friends who support the mission.

The core of JPAC's day-to-day operations involves investigating leads, as well as recovering and identifying Americans who were killed in action but were never brought home. Even though the recovery and identification process may take years to complete, on average, JPAC identifies about six MIAs each month and as many as 90 individuals each year.

## **Project Overview/Specifics**

Construction of an entirely new centralized facility near Kuntz Gate on JBPHH will allow the command to co-locate its operations within a fully capable 136,497 sq. ft. facility that will accommodate an expanding workforce and mission.

It will feature a sensitive compartmented information facility (SCIF), central identification laboratory, various administrative spaces, training spaces and an electronics/communications maintenance shop.

Due to the type of work performed by the command, the SCIF must meet physical security requirements for top secret information. Additionally, electromagnetic shielding will be incorporated into the laboratory space that houses the electron microscope and related video equipment.

The building is expected to achieve a sustainable design rating of Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver. LEED is an internationally-recognized “green” building certification system, developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) in March 2000. It provides building owners and operators a framework for identifying and implementing practical and measurable green building design, construction, operations and maintenance solutions.



Contractor rendering of entrance interior of the new JPAC Headquarters Facility.

LEED is a point-based rating system reflecting the number of credits accrued in five “green” design categories: sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, and indoor environmental quality.

## Project Priority

To provide adequate and efficiently configured facilities to accommodate the consolidation of JPAC, an organization presently split between various locations on Oahu.

## General Timeline

June 2011	Contract awarded to Nan, Inc. – June 6, 2011
August 2011	Ground Breaking Ceremony – Aug. 30, 2011
September 2011	Construction to Commence
July 2013	Scheduled Completion of Project (Est. date July 5, 2013)

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