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Army announces force structure decisions

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – The Department of the Army announced today that 885 spaces are expected to be reduced at Fort Leonard Wood by 2019. The changes are a result of the inactivation of an Engineer Battalion Headquarters, two Horizontal Construction Companies, a Brigade Support Battalion and a Vertical Construction Company.

During a press conference earlier today, Army Chief of Staff Gen. Ray Odierno announced the results of the Department of the Army force structure decisions. The full transcript of his announcement can be found at:

http://www.army.mil/article/106355/June_25_2013_CSA_Press_Conference_on_Army_Force_Structure_Reductions_As_Prepared/

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About Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains 80-90,000 military and civilians each year.

Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial Military Training brigades, one of only five reception stations in the Army, and the Army's largest Non Commissioned Officers Academy.

Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.

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