

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSEMENT AND
DRAFT FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

**WHITE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT
FORT BENNING, GEORGIA**

The United States Army Maneuver Center of Excellence, Directorate of Public Works, Fort Benning, Georgia, hereby announces the availability of the "Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) for the Proposed Implementation of the "White Elementary School Replacement at Fort Benning, Georgia." These documents address the proposal to construct, operate, and maintain a new elementary school to serve the school age population of the recently developed Patton Village neighborhood in the Sand Hill Cantonment Area. This Proposed Action would also include the demolition of the current White Elementary School on Main Post as the facility requires extensive renovation and repairs, and cannot meet present Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) design standards.

The Final EA and Draft FNSI have been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 USC 4321 *et seq.*), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508), and the Army NEPA Regulation (*Environmental Analysis of Army Actions*, Final Rule, 32 CFR Part 651). Publication of this notice begins a 30-day public review period. The public is invited to review and comment on the Final EA and Draft FNSI from **November 1 -- November 30, 2012**. Copies of the Final EA and Draft FNSI may be viewed at the following locations:

1. Columbus Public Library
2. Cusseta-Chattahoochee Public Library
3. Sayers Memorial Library (Fort Benning Main Post Library)

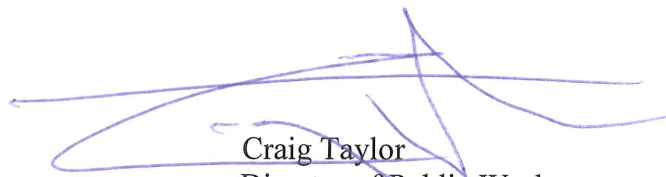
In addition, the Final EA and Draft FNSI are also posted on Fort Benning's website at <http://www.benning.army.mil/garrison/DPW/EMD/legal.htm>. Written comments concerning this Final EA and Draft FNSI are invited; the comments must be received by **November 30, 2012** to ensure consideration prior to reaching any FNSI.

Written public comments should be addressed to:

- **Mr. John Brent**; Environmental Management Division Chief; IMBE-PWE-P; 6650 Meloy Drive; Building 6, Room 307; Fort Benning, Georgia 31905; or via e-mail at john.j.brent.civ@mail.mil.

For further information or to request a copy of the documents, please contact the U.S Army Maneuver Center of Excellence, Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Programs Management Branch (Attention: **Mr. John E. Brown**, NEPA Program Manager), 6650 Meloy Drive; Building 6 (Meloy Hall), Room 309; Fort Benning, Georgia 31905-5122 or call (706) 545-7549.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Craig Taylor", is written over the printed name. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping loop.

Craig Taylor
Director of Public Works
Fort Benning, Georgia