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Fort Worth District evaluates sites for use as alternate care facilities

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FORT WORTH, Texas – Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has assembled field assessment teams tasked with evaluating existing sites for the possible conversion into alternate-care-facilities in Texas.

The Corps’ teams, at the request of FEMA and the State of Texas, are evaluating facilities across the state. They are working closely with FEMA, state and local partners to best facilitate a quick response should the need arise to have additional alternate-care-facilities constructed.

To date, the team has assessed four facilities in the Dallas area.

“Our engineers and technical experts are trained and prepared for this type of emergency response and are assisting the nation and the state of Texas to the very best of our capabilities during this crises. We continue to work together to ensure our state has what it needs to fight the COVID-19 pandemic,” said Col. Kenneth Reed, Fort Worth District commander.

Overall, USACE has received seven FEMA Mission Assignments totaling approximately \$436 million, and USACE has 15,000 personnel engaged in and providing support for our response effort.

Information pertaining to specifications and implementation of the alternate care sites is available on the web at <https://www.usace.army.mil/Coronavirus/Alternate-Care-Sites/>.

Additionally, The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is requesting all contractors with experience in build-out or retrofit of existing space into alternate care space (arenas, convention centers, dorms, hotels, etc.) to send Capability Statements to: COVIDContracting@usace.army.mil. This email address is only for capability statements for firms interested in the "build-out and retrofit of existing space into alternate care facilities."

All other vendors, cleaning, disinfecting, supplies, etc. should promptly visit and register their firm at www.beta.SAM.gov, as part of the National Disaster Response Registry.

During emergencies, USACE is the federal government's lead public works and engineering support agency, and given its extensive work in building medical facilities for its military stakeholders is uniquely qualified to tackle this engineering challenge.

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