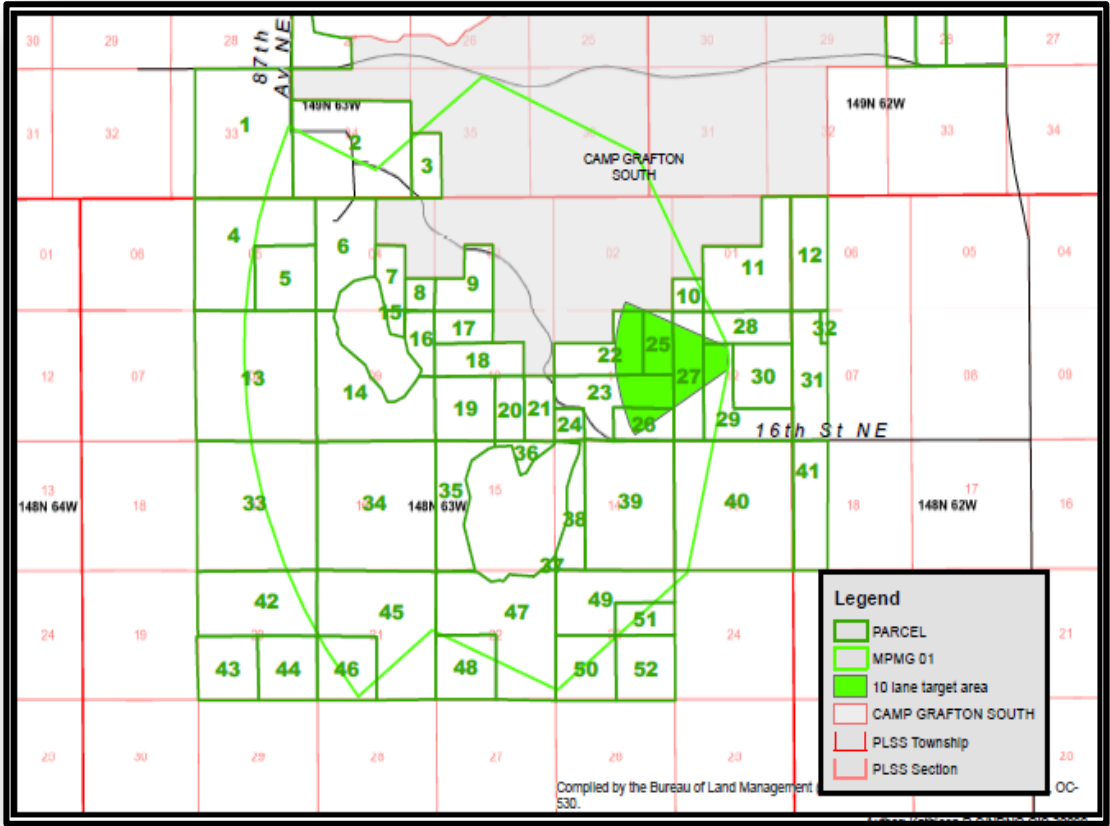


Camp Grafton Expansion

Fund Type	Purpose	Amount
One-Time	Purchase no more then 1,250 Acres	\$1.75M
Bi-Annual	Lease of approximately 5,400 Acres	\$280,000



Camp Grafton Expansion - This will provide funding and authority to enter into purchase and lease agreements with landowners around Camp Grafton South for building a new weapons range complex. We received \$600,000 and legislative intent during last session to research and work towards purchase and lease options with landowners. The total request for the Camp Grafton Expansion is \$2,880,000 that includes expected land purchases (1,600 acres) and lease agreements (5,371 acres). A new range provides all NDNG units a location to qualify on individual weapons systems in ND. Currently we are restricted to qualifying on about half of those systems. For the other half, units travel to MN, MT, or WY. Valuable time is lost to travel to out of state ranges. A new range complex also provides qualification opportunities to the Air Forces bases and other organizations and agencies from within and outside of ND.

Senate Bill 2114 was submitted and passed, which amends Section 37-07.3-03 of the North Dakota Century Code. This section of NDCC established a trust fund for the expansion of National Guard training facilities and the construction of an armory and could potentially be utilized for any appropriations received through this legislative session as well.

This section became law in 1985 and provided the authority and funding to procure additional training lands at Camp Grafton, and to provide a state match for a new armory at Fraine Barracks. From July 1, 1985 through June 30, 1989, the trust fund was solely for this purpose. Thereafter, the funds were available for other “training area acquisitions and facility development” projects. The principle and interest from this trust fund were exhausted by 1989. There have been no new appropriations and the accounting line went dormant.

Today, our National Guard finds itself in a similar situation. We need to expand our facilities at Camp Grafton to meet our training requirements and future training facility projects will require state matching funds.

By adding additional land space there would be additional air space available for use by government and private entities to conduct research and development of unmanned aerial systems (UAS), counter UAS, and radar and sensor technology. This range complex, like our other ranges, will be used by other state and federal law enforcement and military organizations from ND and surrounding states. If we are able to fund the land space for this project at the state level, we are then required to request the funds for the physical range complex through the Federal process. The range complex is estimated to be a nearly \$17 million project. In a best-case scenario, a range could start construction in 4-5 years and be complete in 6-7 years.

Finally, I need to stress two items. First, during last session we included language that prohibits the use of eminent domain to secure any land. Secondly, approximately 95% of our land continues to be in agricultural production and it is our intent to achieve the same percentage with land acquired through purchase or lease.

NDNG Deferred Maintenance Priorities

Title	Amount
State Funds	\$1,000,000
Federal Match	~\$1,900,000

Building Sealant Repairs, Bismarck



- Facility built 1988
- ~ \$200K to repair brick, mortar and exterior sealant that is deteriorated causing mold and moisture in the interior of the building
- Health and safety concerns / respiratory issues
- Bismarck is priority – Grand Forks has the same issues

Air Handler Replacement, Camp Grafton



- Current system installed 1983
- ~ \$200K for new air handler to provide fresh air, heating and cooling to Building 6400 on Camp Grafton
- System failure, results in loss of heating and/or cooling and unsatisfactory working conditions until repairs can be made

Concrete & Asphalt Repairs, Grand Forks



- Original in 1996
- ~ \$60K for repairs to parking area
- Risk further damage resulting in increased costs if repair is delayed again



- 1. Up to \$1 million in additional State Funding related to the federal fiscal years 21, 22, and 23 (FY-21/22/23) maintenance and repair projects for National Guard Facilities.
- 2. In recent years the NDNG budget has been reduced by more than 50% from the General Fund to pay for the state share of Maintenance and Repair Projects. This caused DFE to reallocate several projects and defer maintenance on facilities into the future.
- 3. Several state facilities have also had maintenance deferred in recent years due to state budget shortfalls.
- 4. The priority projects state share is estimated to be:
 - a. Building Sealant Repairs, Bldg. 4200, RJB, Bismarck \$ \$200,000
 - b. Air Handler Replacement, Bldg. 6400, Camp Grafton \$200,000
 - c. Building Automation Systems Repairs and Upgrade, Wahpeton \$70,000
 - d. State Residence Maintenance Repairs – Camp Grafton & Fraine Barracks 180,000
 - e. Asphalt Repairs, Fargo AFRC Complex \$240,000
 - f. Concrete and Asphalt Repairs, Grand Forks AFRC Complex \$60,000
 - g. HVAC Repairs and Re-Balance, Bldg. 4200, RJB \$50,000
 - Total: \$ 1,000,000
- 5. This state funding is a matching share of the costs for most of these projects. The federal share for this work is 50% or 75%, depending on the project, and will amount to approximately \$1.9 million in matching federal funds.

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Staffing Recommendation:

Title	\$ / Biennium
Dispatcher X 4	\$513,060
Operations Manager	\$234,444
Total	\$747,504



OTAG Request:

Title	Amount
Add Back Vacant FTE X 2	\$256,530

The House removed two FTE positions, and funding authority from the Executive Budget Request. We would like to request the two positions back, along with special fund authority of \$265,530 which would allow us to help support agency needs. State Radio underwent a staffing study that was completed after the budget submission took place. The study identified needs for an additional five FTE: (4) Communication Specialist positions and (1) Operations Manager. We would like to act on two Communication Specialist positions during the upcoming biennium. We have been approached from potential customers, which would in turn generate more special fund revenue to offset the additional two FTEs. In summary, we would like to request special fund authority within the Department of Emergency Services division, along with the two FTE to the agency total.