



Cultural Resource Management in the Department of Defense

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Today's Topics

- **The Challenge – Our Vast Resources**
- **Where Are We Today?**
- **Installation Strategic Plan Goals**
- **Where Are We Going?**
- **How We Will Get There**



DoD Historic Properties

- **The DoD manages almost 30 million acres of land. Additionally, the Corps manages 11 million acres of water and related lands**

- **DoD has a large inventory of Historic Properties**
 - 75 National Historic Landmarks
 - Nearly 600 historic places listed on the National Register of Historic Places
 - ❖ More than 19,000 individual historic properties (including buildings, structures, objects, and sites)
 - ❖ Located on over 200 military installations

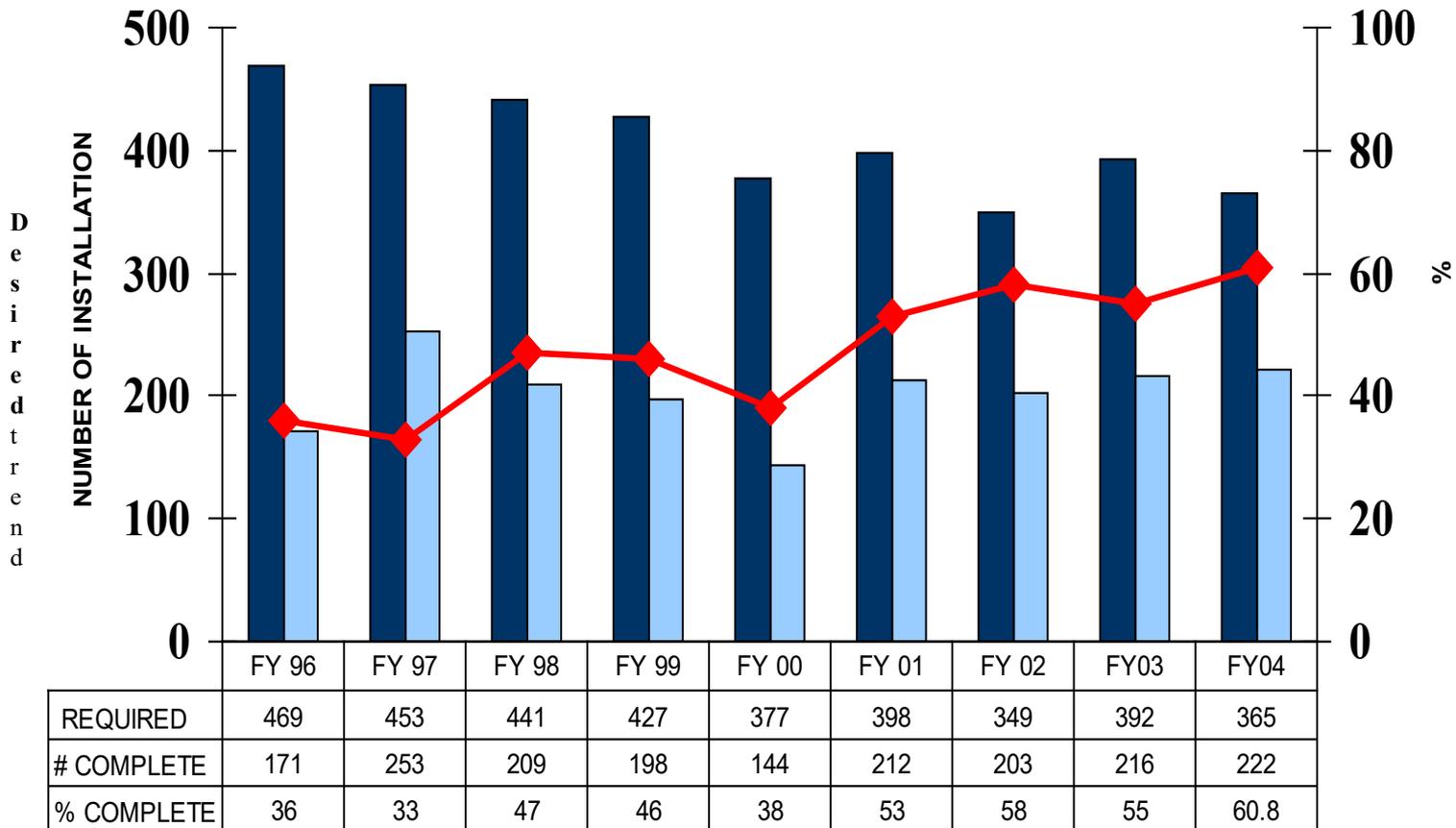


DoD Historic Buildings

	Army	Navy (excl. Marine Corps)	Air Force	DoD Total (excl. Marine Corps)
Total Buildings in US and Territories	116,270	101,400	85,765	303,435
Total currently over 50 years old subject to NHPA	52,857 45%	21,415 21%	10,569 12%	84,841 28%
Additional over 50 years old in next 10 years	24,687 (77,544 total) 67%	14,233 (35,648 total) 35%	33,305 (43,874 total) 51%	72,225 (157,066 total) 52%
Additional over 50 years old in next 20 years	30,096 (82,953 total) 71%	28,087 (49,502 total) 49%	44,206 (54,775 total) 64%	102,389 (187,230 total) 62%

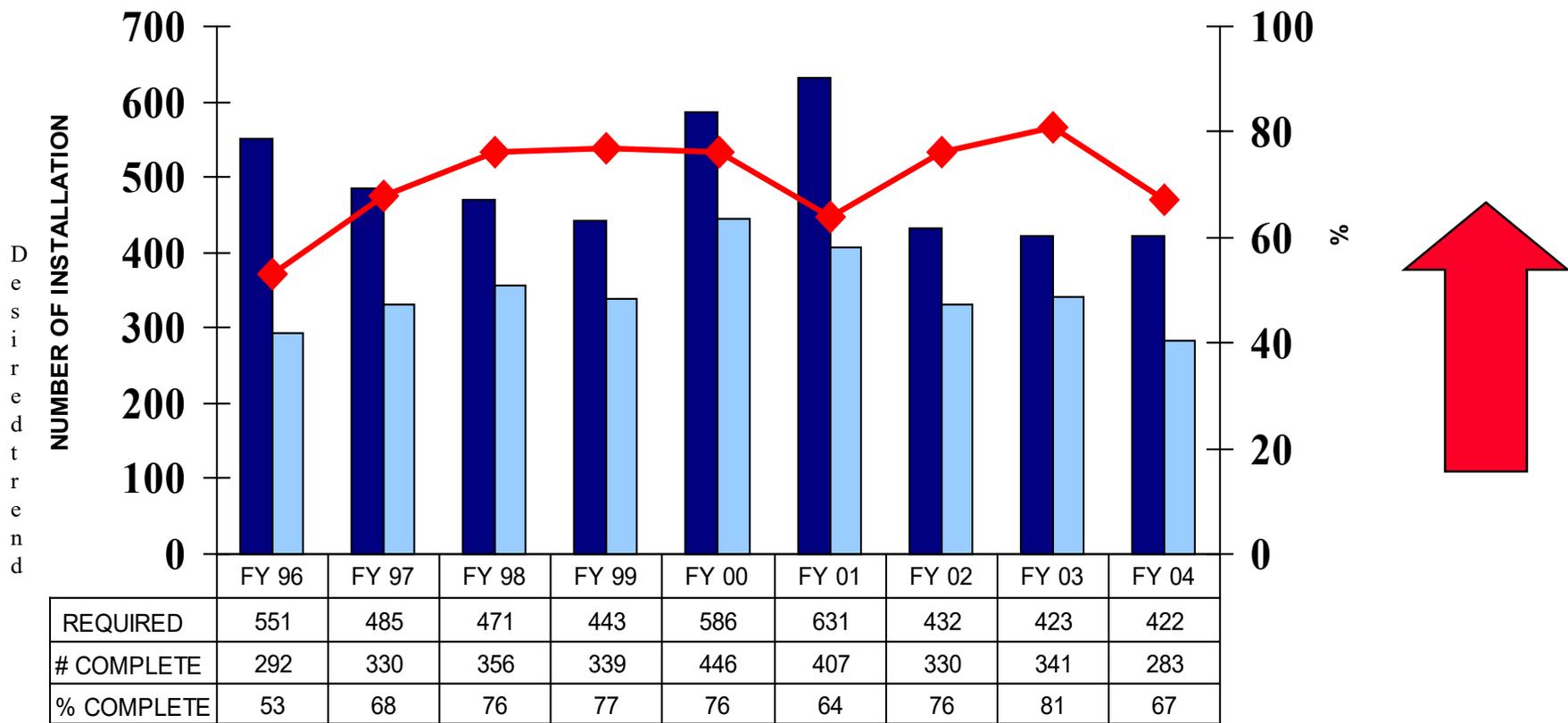


Integrated Cultural Resource Management Plans





Historic Building Inventories





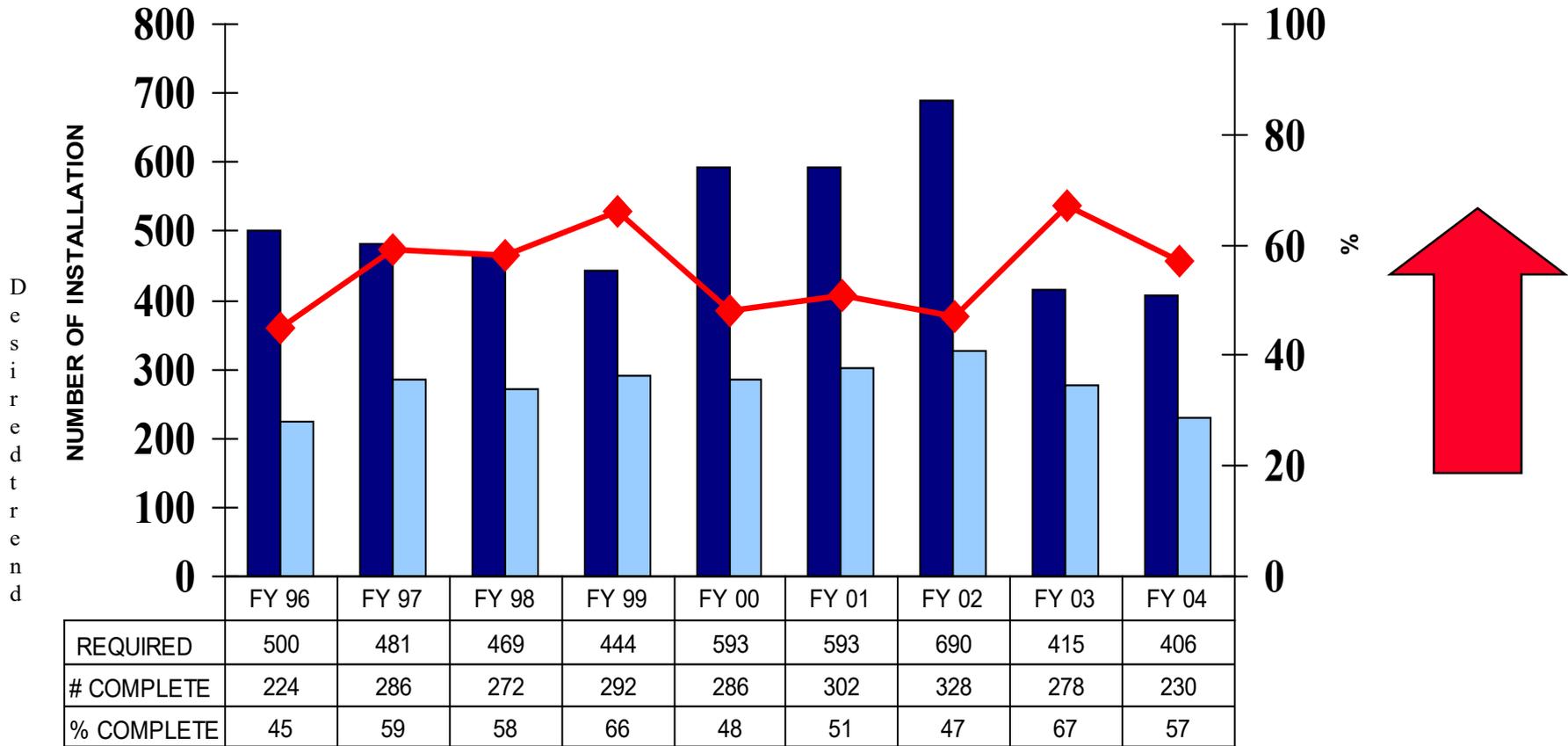
Historical Status Collected?

Military Service	Number of owned facilities	# with collected historical status	% facilities with collected historical status	# with historical status in the RPI*	% with historical status in RPI*
Army	167,744	10,327	6.2%	10,327	6.2%
Navy	74,989	7,500	10.0%	55	0.1%
Marine Corps	27,073	628	2.3%	217	0.8%
Air Force	105,337	3,334	3.2%	3,344	3.2%

*RPI – Real Property Inventory



Archeological Inventories





Installations Strategic Plan Targets

- **50% of real property inventory records will accurately identify historic properties and their quality (2005).**
- **100% of real property inventory records will accurately identify historic properties and their quality (2006).**
- **100% of archaeological resources, Native American and other cultural assets will be accurately inventoried and quality ratings established in the real property inventories (2007).**
- **Develop standards to ensure that the possible presence of archaeological resources, Native American and other cultural assets are modeled, inventoried, and managed in close integration with project and operations planning (FY 2006).**
- **100% of ICRMPs are completed or reviewed and updated annually as required by law and DoD policy (measure applies each fiscal year).**
- **100% of ICRMPs will be current and implemented, in consultation and partnership with State Historic Preservation Officers and other appropriate consulting parties (FY 2008).**

<http://www.acq.osd.mil/ie/irm/index.html>



Vision for the Future

- **DoD cultural resources are assets, connecting our fighting men and women with their proud history and traditions.**
- **We will continue to promote and interpret the resources under our care, both to inspire our personnel and to encourage and maintain the American public's support for its military.**
- **DoD's cultural resources are mission supporting. The Department will continue to use and maintain Historic Properties as appropriate for their mission use.**
- **These Historic Properties broadly represent the full scope of history found on DoD installations.**
- **These historic properties can be and are mission supporting assets. There is great potential for adaptive reuse.**



New Approaches/Initiatives

- **New DoD Policy**
- **Improve our Records**
- **Access to Information on DoD's Historic Properties**
- **Partnerships and Cooperation**
- **Programmatic Alternatives**



New DoD Policy

- **Manage and maintain our cultural resources and assets through a comprehensive program that is mission supporting and results in sound and responsible cultural resources stewardship.**
- **Find the necessary balance between our defense mission requirements and preserving our heritage.**
- **Make historic properties a vital and functional part of our installations.**
- **Strongly encourage adaptive re-use as an integral part of our management strategy.**



New DoD Policy

- **Focus on preserving the historic character and function of military properties in a sustainable manner that supports the military mission.**
- **Emphasize the importance of ensuring that installation commanders and their staff have the appropriate information early in the planning process to make informed decisions and consult with all interested stakeholders.**
- **Re-emphasize the importance of our Integrated Cultural Resource Management Plans (ICRMPs) and establish a reasonable cycle to update them.**
- **Conduct initial for archeological surveys to create a baseline of information. Then concentrate more in depth analysis where we are planning ground disturbing activities.**



Improve Our Records

- **Executive Order 13287, *Preserve America*, requires all Federal agencies to identify and protect historic properties.**
- **Executive Order 13327, *Federal Real Property Asset Management*, requires all Federal agencies to identify and categorize all real property.**
- **Our goal is to maintain complete, current information on cultural resources, including their location, significance, condition, use and value.**
- **This information must be available to commanders to support informed decisions about the management of cultural resources.**
- **In addition, we will be working with the National Park Service and NCSPHO in a project to digitize records of DoD's National Historic Landmarks and DoD's National Register of Historic Places listings.**

Have you reviewed the NPS records on your listings lately?



Access to Information

- **DoD's ability to play a role in Heritage Tourism initiatives maybe limited due to location, security concerns, and mission needs.**
- **Therefore, we intend to adopt innovative approaches to access to information as a means to create tourism opportunities, such as web-enabled access.**
- **We are currently developing an entirely new I&E web site, including a area for Cultural Resources, to maximize access to the vast information we have.**



Partnerships and Cooperation

- **Promote partnerships with communities to increase opportunities for public benefit from DoD historic properties,**
 - Taking into account mission and public access considerations.
- **Consult in good faith with stakeholders including federal, state, and local government agencies; professional and advocacy organizations; and the general public.**
- **Develop and foster positive partnerships for the protection and preservation of cultural resources**



Programmatic Alternatives

- **In consultation with stakeholders, develop a full suite of programmatic alternatives to case-by-case consultation.**
- **Build on the great success of our Program Comments for Capehart Wherry Housing, we have begun to work on three more:**
 - Unaccompanied Personnel Housing
 - Ammunition Storage
 - Ammunition Manufacturing Plants (Army only)
- **If we are successful in finalizing and implementing these three Program Comments, think strategically about what is next.**
- **Need to know:**
 - What worked well with previous efforts?
 - What didn't work as we move forward?

Goal - Effective, streamlined compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act



Timeline

- **Late Spring – Circulate draft DoD Instruction**
- **September – Issue final DoD Instruction in September.**
- **September 27 – Role out new Policy at the National Trust Conference in Portland**



DoD Cultural Resources Program

- **DoDs rich heritage is**
 - Embodied in military history and traditions
 - Represented by DoD's Cultural Resources
- **Our Cultural Resources are the Nation's assets. We are their stewards. Not their owners.**
- **We need to take that stewardship responsibility very seriously.**