

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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The Honorable John Carter
Chairman
Subcommittee on Military Construction,
Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
HT-2 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Debbie Wasserman Schultz
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Military Construction,
Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Carter and Ranking Member Wasserman Schultz,

I am requesting funding for the F-35 Academic Training Center in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Ebbing Air National Guard Base located at 4850 Leigh Ave., Fort Smith, Arkansas 72903.

The funding would be used to construct an F-35 Academic Training Center and Liquid Oxygen Supply Storage facility for the Foreign Military Sales F-35 program's Pilot Training Center. The facility will provide spaces for training classrooms, flight simulator spaces, conference rooms, and administrative support spaces for the F-35 FMS Pilot Training Center mission. A flight simulator training facility is required to support the beddown of F-35s at Ebbing Air National Guard Base. The mission requires 4 simulator bays capable of supporting up to 3 simultaneous countries training. The liquid oxygen storage building is required to support the training mission.

The project has a federal nexus because the requested funding would be for purposes authorized by 10 U.S.C. Chapter 169.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Steve Womack
Member of Congress