



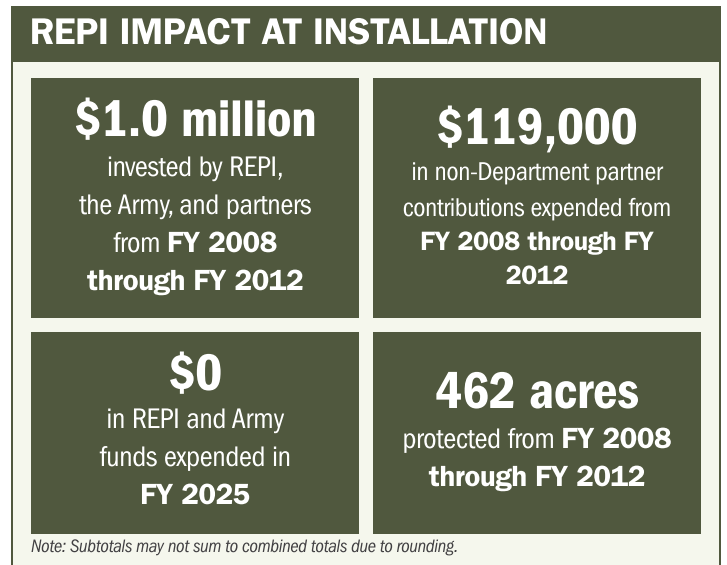
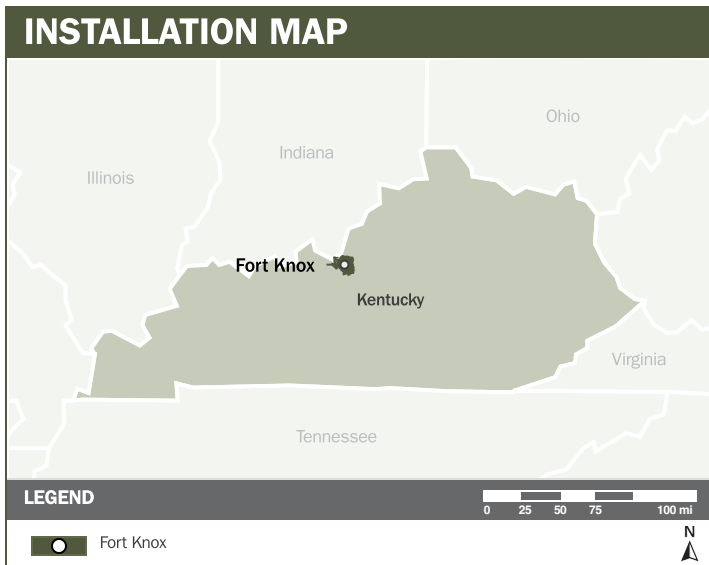
FORT KNOX

ABOUT THE INSTALLATION

Located 35 miles south of Louisville, Fort Knox spans portions of three counties and supports a combined population of roughly 40,000 soldiers, family members, and civilian employees. The installation conducts a wide range of mission-essential training, including basic combat operations, maneuver, aerial gunnery, and amphibious operations. Its ranges support weapons qualification, antitank systems, demolitions, helicopter and aerial gunnery, unmanned aerial vehicles, tank firing, and other critical training requirements. Fort Knox's facilities, training areas, and firing ranges are utilized 356 days a year, underscoring its central role in Army readiness.

STRENGTHENING MISSION READINESS THROUGH REPI INVESTMENTS

The Department of War (DoW) Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program has played a critical role in supporting Fort Knox's long-term operational success. Through strategic land conservation and partnership-driven investments, REPI funding helps prevent incompatible development, preserve training flexibility, and sustain mission-essential capabilities beyond the installation boundary.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

INCOMPATIBLE DEVELOPMENT—10 U.S.C. § 2684A

- Growth and urban sprawl around Fort Knox and the Louisville region threaten to further restrict training, create safety concerns, and accelerate habitat loss for the endangered gray and Indiana bats.
- Training already requires workarounds to avoid conflicts with development east of the installation. Through this REPI project, Fort Knox and its partners are acquiring undeveloped lands bordering the Yano Range and other training areas along the eastern boundary to maintain critical buffers.







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PROJECT OVERVIEW (CONTINUED)

- To address these encroachment pressures, Fort Knox leveraged REPI funds under 10 U.S.C. § 2684a to protect key training lands and sustain habitat in this traditionally agricultural area. Preserving these lands helps avoid future restrictions on training activities that generate smoke and fire—both of which can affect bat habitat. These efforts ensure Fort Knox can continue providing realistic day-and-night training that produces significant noise and smoke, while also preserving nearby open space, habitat, and agricultural lands.

KEY FISCAL YEAR MILESTONES AT FORT KNOX*

2008  First REPI project established, launching Fort Knox's long-term effort to prevent incompatible development and protect mission essential training lands.

2012  Initial project completed, marking a major step in securing long-term buffers around critical training areas.

* These milestones demonstrate how the installation is strategically utilizing the REPI Program to mitigate encroachment risks and enhance mission assurance. While not exhaustive, the list highlights the various approaches installations are using to preserve critical testing and training capabilities essential to national defense.



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