

2010 Defense Authorization

Project Name and Location	Purpose	Amount	Recipient	Taxpayer Interests
C-17 Kona Short Auxiliary Airfield	This project would construct a 4,550 foot Short Auxiliary Airfield (SAAF) runway, taxiway, shoulders, paved overruns, and operation support facilities at Kona International Airport.	\$ 30,300,000	Pacific Air Forces, Hawaii	In order to fulfill C-17 currency and proficiency in landing training requirements, Hickam Air Force Base (AFB) requires a SAAF within the Hawaiian Island chain. The capability does not currently exist at Hickam AFB, and SAAF training requirements are partially fulfilled at Kaneohe Bay and Kalaeloa. The remaining training needs are completed at locations in the continental United States (CONUS). CONUS location training requires Hickam C-17 pilots to fly a sixteen-hour round trip for each training event so that crews may maintain their qualification requirements. Additional challenges that currently face Hickam C-17 crews are SAAF access scheduling, manpower, equipment, refueling, and crew rest increases costs and severely impacts mission operations. Due to the runway's shortened length, it must be connected to an existing longer runway to allow a loaded C-17 proper takeoff length.
Production Services Support Facility	This project provides a permanent waterfront facility for production personnel working on ships undergoing major maintenance at Dry Docks 1, 2, and 3. In order to properly support the Production Support Shops in their performance of critical maintenance on both surface ships and submarines home ported at Pearl Harbor.	\$ 30,360,000	Naval Station Pearl Harbor, Hawaii	This project will improve the work efficiencies for Shipyard staff as they perform their critical dry dock work. It constructs a new two-story building with concrete slabs, foundations, concrete columns and walls, with a pitched metal roof at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard (PHNSY). The proposed building will also include fire sprinklers, fire alarms, freight elevator, restrooms, mechanical ventilation in industrial and air conditioning, of production support spaces and briefing rooms.