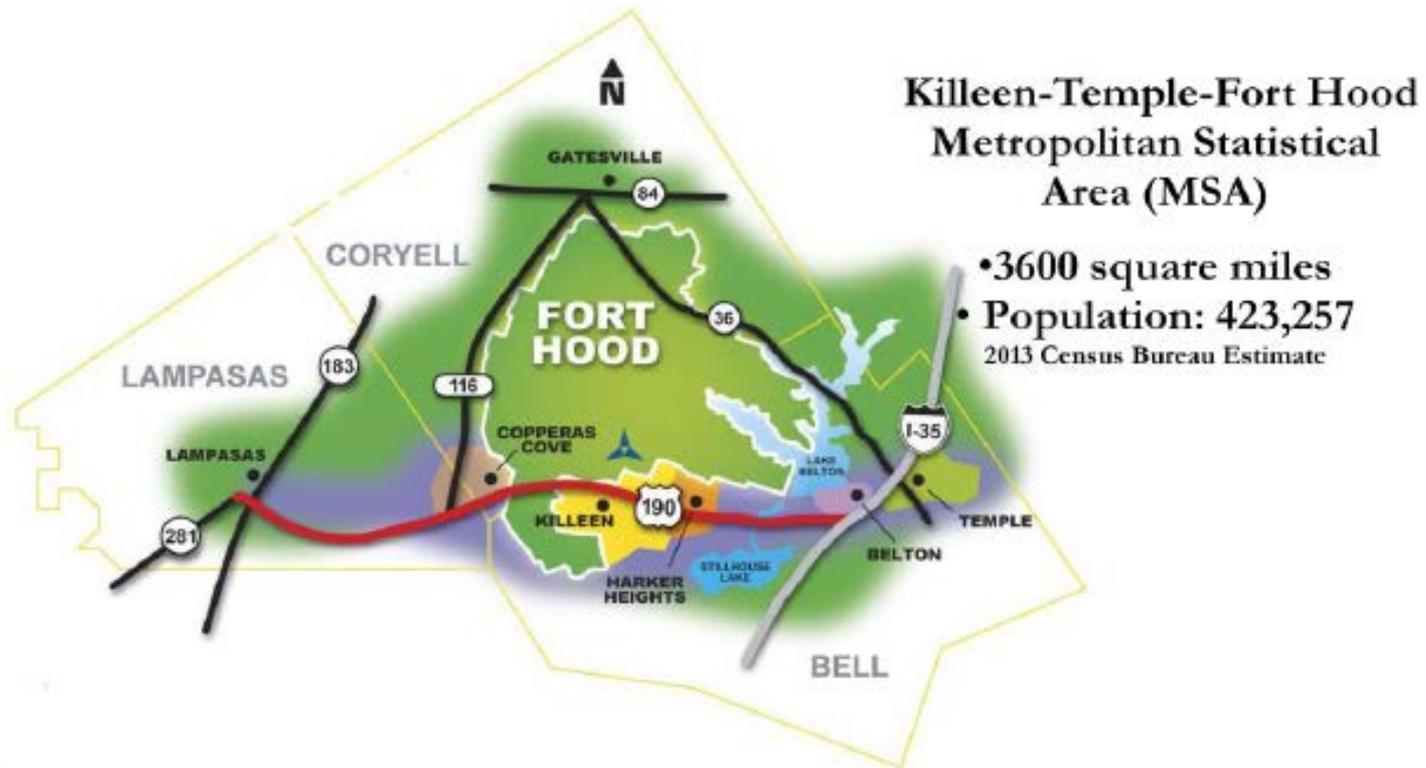




Fort Hood Force Reduction Assessment



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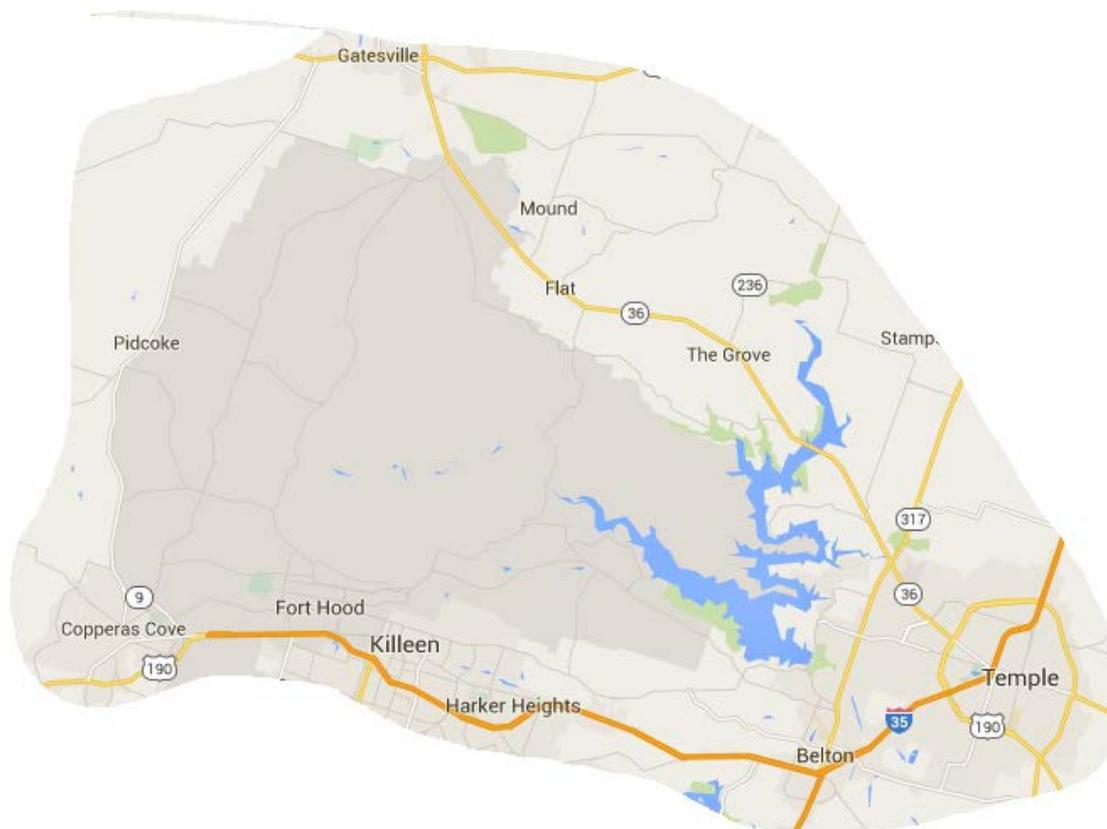
Timeline

- Jul 2015: CoK contacted by Department of Defense (DoD)
- Aug 2015: CoK submitted application
- Sep 2015: DoD approved application
- Oct 2015: Council approved professional services support
- Nov 2015: Initiated assessment
- Task: Conduct a comprehensive assessment of the economic impact resulting from the reduction of 3,350 soldiers at Fort Hood.
 - *Retail*
 - *Housing*
 - *Education*
 - *Employment*
 - *Small Business*
 - *Defense Suppliers*
- Jul 2016: Submit written report to DoD



Impact Areas of Focus

- Killeen (Sponsor)
- Harker Heights
- Copperas Cove
- Gatesville
- Temple
- Belton





Findings

The reduction of 3,350 soldiers at Fort Hood will not cause a significant economic impact to this region

- The Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood MSA has successfully implemented plans and diversified markets that mitigate the negative impact of force reductions at Fort Hood. ***“Indications are that the labor market will be unaffected.....John Crutchfield”***
- Regional growth trends are positive due to affordable housing and a low cost of living.
- Fort Hood leadership has implemented strategic outreach programs to ensure regional leaders are informed of pending actions that might affect the MSA.
- Central Texas WorkForce Solutions works closely with Fort Hood to train and educate soldiers and family members and to retain them in the MSA.
- Interstate 14 , emerging JLUS recommendations, and the Airport Master Plan will improve access to this region and create economic growth opportunities.



Economic Impact

	Retail	Housing	Education	Employment	Business	Defense
Killeen			Impact Aid		KFHRA	
Harker Hgts			Impact Aid			
Copperas Cove			Impact Aid			
Gatesville						
Belton						
Temple						



Recommendations

- Expand the Killeen Fort Hood Regional Airport
- Implement the KTMO plan for an integrated, multi-modal transportation system
- Sustain programs that attract and retain a talented workforce, including former military personnel



Summary

- Force reductions will not significantly impact this region
- Sustain world-class community partnerships, military family engagement, and regional collaboration
- Prioritize MSA plans for growth and increased business diversity
- HOTDA is value added
- Inform Vision 2030 v2.0
- Force Reduction Assessment Report
- Questions?