

ANNEX A FALLOUT SHELTERS

A-1. GENERAL. Responsibility for providing sufficient public fallout shelter space rests with state and local governments. The Federal Emergency Management Agency provides overall guidance and supervises the National Shelter Program. It is the policy of USACE to design and construct Federal civil works structures to meet requirements of the National Shelter Program (AR 415-15). This includes making space available in USACE civil works structures where such access and use does not prevent or interfere with the operations of the facility.

A-2. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS.

a. Fallout shelter for on-site USACE personnel is limited to protection inherent in existing structures. The use of such structures may be enhanced by temporary sandbagging or earth cover. If it is determined that adequate fallout shelter is not available, relocation shall be planned. Local civil defense authorities are responsible for developing public shelter utilization plans within the community and they shall be made aware of USACE requirements.

b. Commanders are authorized to allocate space for public fallout shelters at civil works facilities. Available shelter space for public use shall include consideration of USACE personnel, safety, health, effects on operations during the survival period, and physical security. If shelter space is available for public use, shelter plans shall be developed by local civil defense organizations.

c. Commanders may provide storage space in designated shelters for public fallout shelter equipment and stocks. Marking of designated shelters may be permitted. USACE shall assume no responsibility or liability for the care, protection or maintenance of public shelter equipment or stocks, nor shall any civil works appropriations be expended on such equipment or stocks.

d. That portion of project space and facilities specifically set aside as shelter for USACE personnel shall not be available as public fallout shelters. Programming, budgeting and funding for fallout shelter equipment and supplies for sole USACE use is authorized.

e. Additional guidance and criteria for planning and equipping fallout shelters are contained in AR 500-3.

A-3. SHELTER MANAGERS.

a. General.

HQUSACE will forward additional guidance to all FOA.