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Corps to construct new Border Patrol Station for U.S. Customs and Border Protection

DETROIT – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, USACE, Detroit District, awards a contract to design and construct a new Border Patrol Station, BPS, on the east side of Detroit.

The approximately \$14 million contract was awarded in December 2012 to Turner Construction Co., Washington, D.C. The firm will design and construct a 45,000-square-foot BPS to meet the needs of U.S. Customs and Border Protection's, CBP, U.S. Border Patrol, USBP, agents currently working in an outdated and undersized facility.

“The Detroit District is proud to do its part to help CBP's USBP execute its primary homeland security mission,” said Lt. Col. Robert Ells, district engineer. “USACE and CBP's longstanding partnership delivers critical tactical infrastructure and facilities to secure our nation's borders for years to come.”

The new facility will be designed to accommodate approximately 100 agents, a kennel, fitness area with supporting locker space, holding facilities, processing areas, and storage space. Additionally, there will be 40 enclosed and 85 outside parking spaces, a helipad, communication tower, security fencing and enhanced lighting. Construction is expected to be completed in spring 2015.

The Detroit BPS is responsible for 70 miles of international border made up of the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair.

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