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Request for Construction of Rifle Range at Pinecastle Auxiliary Training Field, Pinecastle, Florida.

The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attn: O.A.C.A.S., O.C.&R., Requirements Liaison Branch, Washington, D. C. Thru: Commandant, AAFSAT, Orlando, Florida.

1. It is requested that construction be authorized for a rifle range of 45 targets to be established at Pinecastle, Florida in accordance with the attached estimate and layout.

2. No additional land acquisition will be necessary as that acquired for a Turret Gunnery Range will be utilized.

3. This rifle range will be used by the troops of the Orlando Air Base and other AAFSAT installations in this vicinity. At present the ten-target range, which is being constantly used, is condemned and in the future will be limited to 45 caliber firing exclusively. Due to the large concentration of troops and to the War Department policy on the firing of alerted units, 70% of which must qualify, adequate range facilities must be made available immediately.

4. Request for one 15 target rifle range to be constructed in the same general vicinity has been forwarded for approval by the South Atlantic Division Office, U. S. Engineers. This range will relieve to some extent the present congestion, but on completion of the range requested herewith, will be turned over to the Pinecastle Auxiliary Training Field for exclusive use of troops stationed there.

For the Commanding Officer:

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1-Estimate of Cost
2-Layout Pinecastle Aux. Trg. Field.

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