



CASE STUDY

Innovative Readiness
Training (IRT)
Camp Kamassa Mission

PROJECT LOCATION
Crystal Springs, Mississippi



PARTNERSHIP

MTK Foundation and the U.S. Marine Corps Forces Reserve, U.S. Air Force Reserve, and the U.S. Air National Guard



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TIMELINE

April 2018 – August 2020 (3-year partnership)

Summer 2018

Cleared 45 acres of land, constructed 50 x 100 maintenance barn, installed storm water pipe and catch basins, established roads and environmental control measures.

Summer 2019

Vertical construction of duplex cabins (8), Site work (clearing, installation of culverts and improvements to roads, preparation of building and water tank pads). Installed a 90' foot steel bridge to connect to land parcels.

Summer 2020

Vertical construction of family cabins (6), multi-use building, open air recreation building two large ponds and various nature trails.

MISSION GOALS

1. To provide real-world training platform for all participants
2. To encourage cross-training, leadership development and innovation
3. To promote civil-military partnerships
4. To provide sustainable, lasting construction projects

TRAINING PROVIDED

Leadership

- Various Levels with joint integration
- Junior enlisted and officer leadership opportunities

Cross Training Efforts

- Electrical and HVAC
- Road construction
- Surveying
- Wood and metal framing carpentry
- Concrete placement and finishing
- Pipe laying

Project Management

- Compliance with local regulations
- Working with Civilian design team, Inspectors/deliveries

Standard Joint Construction Training

- Mission Essential Tasks
- Expeditionary Readiness
- Surveying



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MISSION STATISTICS

- **2018** – trained 214 personnel from USAFR and ANG – accomplished 21,598 training hours.
- **2019** – trained 483 personnel from USAFR/ANG/USMCR – accomplished 45,356 training hours.
- **2020** – Camp Kamassa is flagship project with CE & Medical training components – scheduled personnel from USAFR/ANG/ARNG/USMCR.



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DESCRIPTION OF CAMP KAMASSA

MTK's mission is to improve the lives of children and adults with special needs. To fulfill this mission, MTK is building Camp Kamassa, a year-round camping facility for children and adults with serious illnesses, disabilities and other challenges. Camp Kamassa will be located on 326 acres of land in the piney woods of Copiah County, Mississippi, already owned by MTK. Camping facilities for people with special needs are found throughout the United States, but no such facility exists in Mississippi.

Camp Kamassa will be a safe place for children and adults with special needs to experience the fun, adventure, discovery and therapeutic benefits of a traditional camping experience, many of them for the very first time. It will be a "home" for groups like Camp Rainbow, designed with its campers in mind, built to accommodate their special needs and operated to fulfill MTK's mission of improving their lives.

