



North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice

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W. David Guice, Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairs of House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety
W. David Guice

FROM: W. David Guice, Commissioner

RE: Dobbs Youth Development Center Kitchen Repairs

DATE: September 30, 2013

This is to provide you with an update regarding the Dobbs Youth Development Center kitchen repairs, pursuant to Section 16D.9 of Session Law 2013-360.

The N.C. Department of Public Safety Central Engineering section has conducted an assessment and has prepared a preliminary estimate to detail the remediation and renovations necessary to bring the Dobbs Youth Development Center kitchen up to code. Based on this assessment, we estimate the necessary work for this project to take between 18 to 24 months. This initial assessment also estimates the cost of the project to be \$1.77M.

We are moving immediately to utilize existing departmental funds to complete the remediation of asbestos and lead paint in the facility. Because no funding was appropriated for this project, it has been included in the department's recently-submitted repairs and renovations request. We have discussed with the Office of State Budget and Management our intention to fund this project with the department's appropriated repairs and renovations funds, and that it is our desire to begin this project immediately. We are anticipating OSBM's approval of that funding sometime during the week of September 30 - October 4, 2013.

In an effort to reduce project costs, the department also intends to seek ways to re-purpose existing equipment from recently-closed adult and juvenile facilities for reuse in this project.

Based on consultation with legislative staff, until this project is completed, in order to avoid incurring additional costs for transporting food to Dobbs Youth Development Center, food

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will be provided through the utilization of existing Dobbs Youth Development Center kitchen staff preparing the food at the existing kitchen facility at Lenoir Youth Development Center, which has been closed in accordance with Session Law 2013-360 through the discontinuation of the housing of youth and the elimination of staff there.

Let me assure you that we are making every effort to expedite this project and to complete it in the most cost effective manner possible.

We will advise you upon the completion of this project. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me regarding this project if you have any questions or concerns.

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