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MCFR CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING OF FT. MCCOY STATION 7

Immediate Release

MARION COUNTY, Fla. (Oct. 25, 2011) – The Marion County Board of County Commissioners, Marion County Fire Rescue and local dignitaries celebrated the grand opening of MCFR’s new Ft. McCoy Station 7 today. The station, at 11575 NE 146th Place in Ft. McCoy, measures approximately 9,200 square feet and has three bays.

Construction began Jan. 14, and the station was budgeted at \$1.95 million, including the cost of the land and the building itself. The project was completed on time and under budget at approximately \$1.6 million. The station accommodates current and future growth and response needs and has the capacity to house 30 personnel (10 per 24-hour shift), including dual-certified firefighter/paramedics and firefighter/EMTs as well as EMTs and paramedics. The station houses a fire engine, grass truck, water tanker and a medical transport unit.

Money generated from impact fees and the fire assessment funded the project. MCFR’s Ft. McCoy Station 7 crews provide primary response to Ft. McCoy and its surrounding areas as well as backup service to Citra Station 2, East Marion Station 4, Orange Springs Station 13, Salt Springs Station 15, Sparr Station 19 and the Hog Valley area.

Ft. McCoy Station 7 firefighters had been working out of a 3,612-square-foot station on a 1.5-acre lot on County Road 316. There was no medical transport unit based at the station, and each 24-hour shift typically had a crew of four. Six firefighter/paramedics typically will be on duty at the new station.

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