

It was

LIKE THE RETURN

of old friends. The Tulsa District joined Seattle and Louisville Districts in receiving military assignments in late 1981. These reassignments balanced workloads and broadened the national base of military expertise to support mobilization.³

Restoring military responsibilities brought back some old friends to the Tulsa District: military installations the District had built during the 1940s or reactivated in the 1950s. Reassignment of duties from Fort Worth to Tulsa began quickly for four installations in Arkansas and five in Oklahoma: five Air Force bases, two Army posts, one Army ammunition plant, and one Army arsenal.

Tulsa assumed responsibility for 11 military construction projects expected to cost \$42 million. In fiscal year 1982 the district was designing \$81 million in military construction and supervising \$40 million of construction.

The reassignment papers were barely filed when, in May 1982 a major natural disaster in the form of a tornado ripped through Altus Air Force Base. The cost for repairs, designed and supervised by the Tulsa District, reached \$14 million.



Tulsa District took the lead in repairing \$14 million in damage at Altus Air Force Base from the 1982 tornado.

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