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GEOSPATIAL FACT SHEET: OVERSIGHT ACCESS FOR SELECTED U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PROJECTS AND THE KAJAKI DAM PROJECT

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This report is the first of a series of reports illustrating the potential oversight access challenges for U.S. reconstruction projects and programs in Afghanistan. It identifies various U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) projects and one U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) reconstruction project which may not be readily accessible to U.S. civilian oversight personnel as a result of the impact of the coalition troop drawdown on security.

I have been concerned about the impact of the coalition troop drawdown on security and the related implications for ensuring adequate oversight of the U.S. funded reconstruction effort in Afghanistan. This is a serious issue not only for SIGAR but all U.S. and international agencies involved in overseeing the Afghanistan reconstruction effort. U.S. military officials have advised SIGAR that in the future they can only provide U.S. civilian access to areas within a one-hour round trip of an advanced medical facility. State Department officials have told SIGAR that their ability to reach reconstruction sites will be extremely limited due to this. Similarly, the USAID mission in Afghanistan is exploring how to use third-party monitoring to help oversee reconstruction sites to help protect the U.S. taxpayers' investment as U.S. military units are withdrawn, coalition bases are closed, and civilian reconstruction offices in the field are closed.

To help illustrate this oversight challenge, on October 10, 2013, SIGAR published a letter showing the areas that may not be accessible in 2014 (see Attachment I).¹ Although exceptions may be made, most requests to visit reconstruction sites outside of these oversight-access areas will probably be denied, forcing U.S. government agencies to consider alternative forms of oversight for these projects.² Further illustration of the oversight access challenges facing U.S. officials in Afghanistan is shown in Attachment II. This map shows the relationship of USACE projects and USAID's on-budget infrastructure project at Kajaki Dam to the oversight-access areas that we project will exist at the end of 2014.³

Data used in the creation of this map is of April 2013, the most recent project information provided to SIGAR by USACE. While we recognize that the status of these projects will change as they are completed or terminated, the attached map demonstrates that these USACE projects

¹ The map shows possible oversight access at the end of transition based on current U.S. government assessments, which may change based on ongoing negotiations with the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The oversight access map was prepared by the U.S. Army Geospatial Center based on information provided by SIGAR. Specific locations and other technical detail in the source documents were omitted for the sake of security. For more details, please see SIGAR 14-4-SP, Oversight Access Inquiry, October 10, 2013.

² Alternative forms of oversight include the use of Local National Quality Assurance (LNQA) representatives, in-person meetings at USG offices or via telephone, hiring of contracted security personnel with specific engineering skills to conduct quality assurance visits to inaccessible sites, and viewing projects remotely with the use of aerial platforms.

³ The enclosed map and list do not show completed infrastructure projects that need to be maintained.

might be affected by the shrinking oversight access areas if they are still ongoing at the end of 2014. SIGAR is concerned that some of these projects may not get proper oversight by USACE if they are still ongoing at the end of 2014.

SIGAR has requested updates for the geospatial information we have already received from the USACE and requested similar information for other Department of Defense, Department of State, and USAID reconstruction projects. We will publish this information as it becomes available to help policy makers assess the risks of restricted oversight access for various reconstruction projects in Afghanistan.⁴

This product was completed by SIGAR's Office of Special Projects, the SIGAR response team created to examine emerging issues in prompt, actionable reports to federal agencies and the Congress. To conduct this review, we examined information provided to SIGAR by the Department of Defense and USAID. We interviewed individuals with the Department of State and the International Security Assistance Force. We also received technical assistance for the U.S. Army Geospatial Center. The work was conducted under the authority of Public Law No. 110-181, as amended; the Inspector General Act of 1978; and the Inspector General Reform Act of 2008.

Sincerely,

John F. Sopko Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction

Attachments: I) 2014 Oversight Access Map

II) Map of Select Reconstruction Projects as of April 2013 to the Projected Oversight Access Areas at the End of 2014

III) Detailed List of Select Reconstruction Projects as of April 2013 to the Projected Oversight Access Areas at the End of 2014

⁴ The information in this report regarding USACE reconstruction projects is as of April 2013. The most recent information on USACE reconstruction projects outside the oversight-access areas has been classified by DOD.

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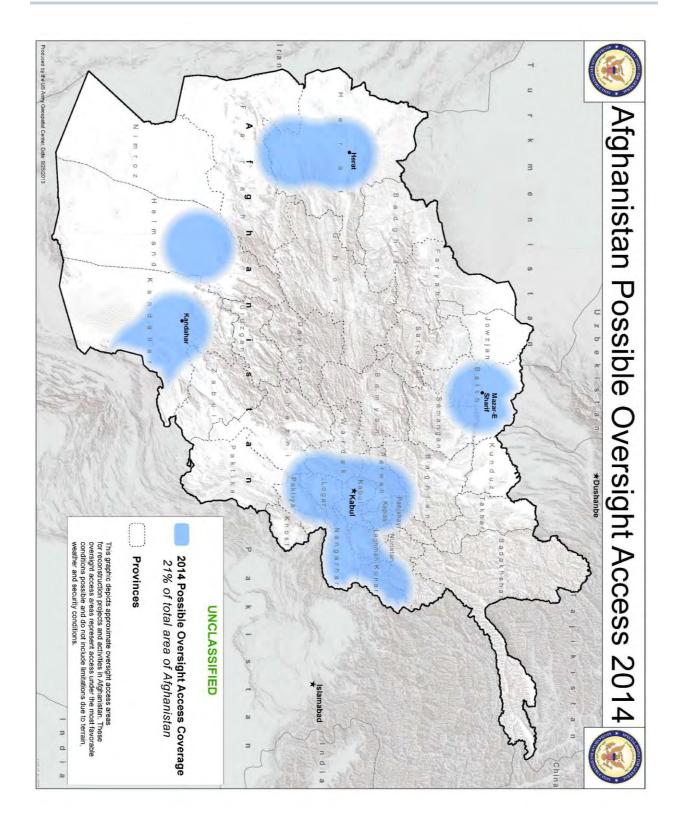
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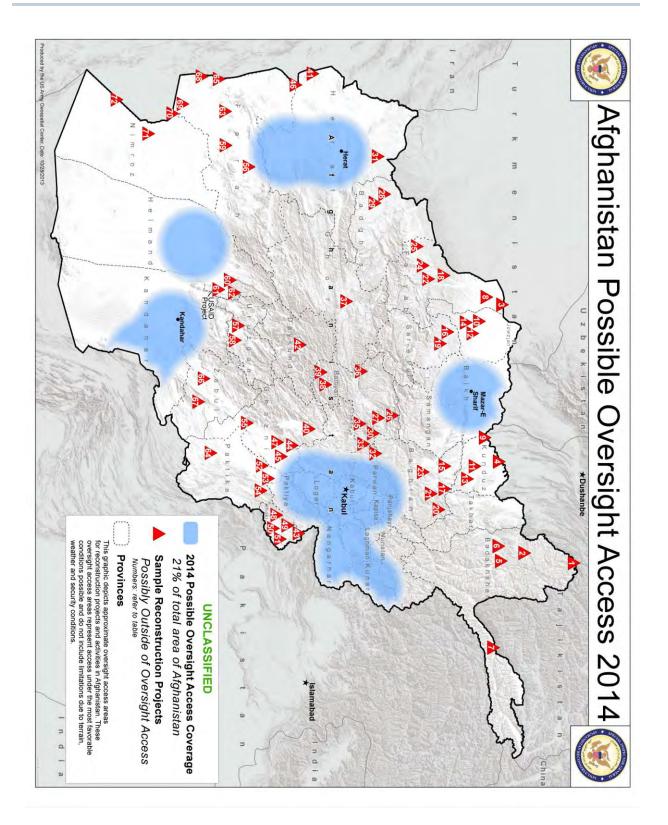
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ATTACHMENT II: MAP OF SELECT RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AS OF APRIL 2013 TO THE PROJECTED OVERSIGHT ACCESS AREAS AT THE END OF 2014



ATTACHMENT III: DETAILED LIST OF SELECT RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS POTENTIALLY OUTSIDE OF OVERSIGHT ACCESS AREAS AT THE END OF 2014⁵

Description/Location	Estimated Total Project Cost	Funding Source	Project Completion Date	Map Label
SEPS Helmand Transmission Lines & Subs	\$108,565,053.00	AIF	7/1/2014	12
ANA 3/207 Brigade Camp CED Badghis	\$81,262,059.87	ASFF	5/1/2014	28
Kajaki Dam (USAID)	\$75,000,000.00	USAID	Unknown	61
ANP ANCOP Collective Training Center	\$30,071,985.00	ASFF	1/24/2015	10
ANA 6/2/203 Rushmore South Infantry Kand	\$28,369,159.82	ASFF	6/4/2014	53
ANA 2/3/203 Infantry Kandak at Moqur Dis	\$26,544,496.00	ASFF	6/16/2014	55
Kajaki Tunnel Wks, Intake Twr, & Piezom.	\$25,642,901.95	AIF	11/17/2014	62
ANA FAARP Kunduz	\$21,750,000.00	ASFF	7/14/2014	13
ANP MOI Supply Point Fire Dept DHQ	\$21,641,420.46	ASFF	8/31/2014	42
ANA 3/4/205 Brigade Garrison Phase 2	\$20,200,000.00	ASFF	8/24/2014	57
AIF Ghulam Khan Corridor	\$20,100,000.00	AIF	11/6/2014	50
ANA Parsa Garrison Upgrades	\$18,788,080.41	ASFF	1/15/2014	48
ANP ANCOP Patrol BNatBadghis	\$15,887,392.89	ASFF	10/11/2014	29
ANA AAF Shindand Air Wing Ph IV	\$15,667,519.00	ASFF	6/18/2014	31
ANP MOI Supply P, Fire Dept DHQ-Zaranj	\$11,991,641.00	ASFF	5/28/2014	71
ANP UP District HQs Baglan Province	\$8,067,014.00	ASFF	8/25/2014	20

⁵ List of selected projects were provided to SIGAR in April, 2013.

ANP UP Provincial HQ at Sar-i-Pol, Sar-i-	\$7,036,543.60	ASFF	5/1/2014	19
ANP MOI Supply Point at Qalat Zabul	\$6,947,037.00	ASFF	4/29/2014	66
ANP MOI Supply Point at Farah	\$6,776,674.12	ASFF	2/15/2014	59
ANP Border Crossing Post, Aquina Faryab	\$6,759,872.00	ASFF	5/31/2014	3
ANP Border Cross, Gulam Khan	\$6,444,658.00	ASFF	3/6/2014	51
I&P Ghor Tepa Road	\$5,966,030.00	CERP	3/15/2014	11
ANP BP BN HQ at Kalata Nazar	\$5,584,774.80	ASFF	7/21/2014	46
ANP MOI Supply Point at Pul-e Khumri,	\$5,570,000.00	ASFF	9/16/2014	23
ANP MOI Supply Point, Sherberghan, Jowzj	\$5,125,939.24	ASFF	6/13/2014	14
ANP PRC & Fire Dept at Uruzgan	\$5,066,232.00	ASFF	6/15/2014	58
ANP Border Police Company HQ at Kal Yarak	\$4,989,187.00	ASFF	4/1/2014	41
ANP UP District HQ at Shinkay, Zabul	\$4,963,078.80	ASFF	8/4/2014	67
ANP BP Company HQ at Kot Kalay, Khost	\$4,500,000.00	ASFF	9/19/2014	43
BP Company HQ at Tapa Talab Khan	\$4,500,000.00	ASFF	9/12/2014	72
ANP BP Company HQ, Andkhoy, Faryab	\$4,437,293.38	ASFF	1/31/2014	8
ANA 2/2/209 Barracks	\$4,400,700.00	ASFF	9/12/2014	6
ANP BP Company HQ at Takht Qubat	\$4,350,000.00	ASFF	9/18/2014	9
ANP BP Company HQ at Shirin Tagab, Faryab	\$4,350,000.00	ASFF	9/18/2014	18
ANP BCP at Posht-e-Koh Bazaar	\$4,089,563.52	ASFF	6/28/2014	65
ANP BP Company HQ, Qala Panja	\$3,842,494.00	ASFF	5/31/2014	7
ANP Provincial Response Company	\$3,765,142.00	ASFF	4/27/2014	52
I&P Parwan to Bamyan Section 6.1	\$3,750,000.00	AIF	10/30/2014	32
ANP Main RD Sec Co at Almar, Faryab	\$3,684,700.00	ASFF	3/3/2014	24

\$3,504,955.24	ASFF	4/26/2014	15
\$3,500,515.00	ASFF	5/12/2014	4
\$3,379,595.00	ASFF	8/14/2014	69
\$3,325,855.27	ASFF	6/4/2014	37
\$3,288,799.00	AIF	11/9/2014	33
\$3,206,921.83	ASFF	12/31/2014	54
\$3,091,000.00	ASFF	5/15/2014	25
\$3,021,198.63	ASFF	6/30/2014	1
\$2,997,218.00	ASFF	5/22/2014	56
\$2,971,773.80	ASFF	5/1/2014	12
\$2,970,328.39	ASFF	1/2/2014	5
\$2,806,628.00	ASFF	3/16/2014	49
\$2,778,411.00	ASFF	10/3/2014	44
\$2,641,086.14	ASFF	7/21/2014	70
\$2,637,445.13	ASFF	7/9/2014	68
\$2,548,400.00	ASFF	9/14/2014	47
\$2,544,994.86	ASFF	1/31/2014	16
\$2,542,530.00	ASFF	6/30/2014	64
\$2,412,696.00	ASFF	11/21/2014	63
\$2,400,000.00	ASFF	9/1/2014	21
\$2,222,779.00	ASFF	3/7/2014	35
\$2,199,500.00	ASFF	3/15/2014	40
\$1,999,922.00	ASFF	6/27/2014	38
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ANP UP District HQ at Ru Ye Sang Kahmard	\$1,937,610.00	ASFF	4/2/2014	26
ANP Police Dist HQ, Precinct 4, Ghazni	\$1,922,181.50	ASFF	7/10/2014	45
ANP UP District HQ at Waras, Bamyan	\$1,882,626.00	ASFF	5/16/2014	39
ANA 1/209 Bde Meymanah PRT Conversion	\$1,667,540.00	ASFF	8/26/2014	22
ANP UP District HQ, Sayghan, Bamyan	\$1,652,427.89	ASFF	2/9/2014	27
ANP UP District HQ at Nayak Yakawlang	\$1,616,646.32	ASFF	6/23/2014	36
ANP UP District HQ at Borka Burkah Baghla	\$1,515,891.00	ASFF	5/17/2014	17
ANP UP Substation, Shaybar District, Bam	\$1,327,147.85	ASFF	8/1/2014	30
ANP UP DHQ at Raghistan, Badakhshan Prov	\$1,017,200.00	ASFF	1/16/2014	2
Total \$725,980,465.71				

Source: USACE and USAID

ABBREVIATIONS

AIF	Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund
ANP	Afghan National Police
ANA	Afghan National Army
ASFF	Afghanistan Security Forces Fund
BP	Border Patrol
CERP	Commanders' Emergency Relief Program
HQ	Headquarters
MOI	Ministry of Interior
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USAID	U.S. Agency for International Development

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