

2024 Renewal of the Memorandum of Agreement for the Continued Operation of the Nichols Industrial Complex.

The Anniston Army Depot (ANAD) is proposing to renew the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) held between ANAD and the Alabama State Historic Preservation Officer (ALSHPO) for the continued operation of the Nichols Industrial Complex (NIC).

The Nichols Industrial Complex is comprised of many buildings that were evaluated in 2004 for eligibility for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). None of the individual buildings were found to be eligible for the NRHP. However, the NIC was determined to be eligible for the NRHP as a district under Criterion A for its history in the development and implementation of procedures to repair and rebuild a wide variety of military vehicles.

ANAD consulted with the ALSHPO regarding the determination of the NIC and established an MOA that was finalized in 2006 that required ANAD to provide documentation of the history of the NIC. ANAD has complied with the requirements of the 2006 MOA, and produced a narrative history titled "From Shermans to Strykers" that was accepted by the ALSHPO as mitigation for the NIC as a district.

The 2006 MOA was renewed/updated in 2016 with the ALSHPO, amended in 2019 and is scheduled to expire in September of 2024. ANAD has entered consultation with the ALSHPO and the Advisory Council of Historic Preservation (ACHP) and is seeking to renew the 2016 MOA for the continued operation of the NIC to support the Army's mission.

ANAD is providing an opportunity for public comment on the continued operation of the NIC.

All comments and/or inquiries should be directed to the Anniston Army Depot Public Affairs Office at 256-235-6281.