§ 644.474 Determining method of disposal.

DE’s are designees of the Chief of Engineers under AR 405–90 to determine the method of disposal authorized by law or regulations which is most advantageous to the Government. Where alternatives are presented, there will be an affirmative finding that the method of disposal approved is most advantageous. In the exercise of this authority, due consideration will be given to the effect of particular methods of disposal on safety and sanitation in the area, the proposed or probable future utilization of Government-owned sites by the Government, or in the case of leased lands, the restoration obligations of the Government under the lease. In order to assure consideration of these factors, disposals by transfer to other Government agencies or by sale intact will be brought to the attention of the installation commander or his representative prior to initiation of disposal action. Reasonable requirements for site clearance consistent with the foregoing criteria should be favorably considered and disposal conditioned accordingly, notwithstanding the fact that such action may result in a greater burden to transferee agencies or, in the case of disposal by sale intact, may result in a reduction in the monetary return which might be reasonably expected in a sale involving less stringent site clearance requirements. DAEN-REM will be informed of any instances of excessive or unreasonable requirements with respect to site clearance. The DE will determine by inspection and survey the method to be used in disposal of buildings and improvements.

§ 644.475 Excessing Army military and Air Force property.

The procedures for placing buildings and improvements in excess status are set forth in AR 405-90 and AFR 87-4. In instances of land acquisition where buildings and improvements were acquired incident thereto, DEs are designated by the Chief of Engineers under AR 405–90 to make disposition of this property. Coordination with the installation commander concerned is required. When, under AFR 87-4, the responsible DE is called upon by the Air Force Command to furnish an estimate of the value of buildings and improvements for the purpose of determining the approval authority for excessing the property, no formal appraisal will be made. If, in his opinion, the total property exceeds a value of $50,000, he will furnish only a rough estimate of its value in round figures. If the property is, in his opinion, of a value of $50,000 or less, he will limit his statement to this fact and will not specify an estimated valuation.

§ 644.476 Excessing civil works property.

The DE are authorized to approve the disposal of buildings and improvements acquired incidental to the acquisition of land in reservoir areas, regardless of the original cost thereof, when they are in the way of authorized construction or when the land upon which they are located is to be permanently or frequently inundated. DEs may authorize the disposal of buildings and other improvements in any one or more of the following categories, which are located on lands which are not excess and which are not expected to become excess, and the sale is to be made after advertising:

(a) Buildings or improvements on land acquired by the Government determined to be available for disposal pursuant to ER 735–2–1 (Property Accounting Procedures-Civil).

(b) Buildings or improvements which cannot be kept in repair at a reasonable cost.

(c) Buildings or improvements which are dangerous to life or likely to damage adjoining structures or have become hazardous or nuisances.

(d) Buildings or improvements which are damaged or unsuitable for public service.

(e) Buildings or improvements constructed by the Federal Government which occupy or interfere with sites for new construction or for other civil works purposes.
§ 644.477 Civil works property—reimbursement of appropriation.

Under title 33, United States Code, section 558, the proceeds from a sale or transfer of buildings or improvements may be credited to the appropriation for the work for which the property was acquired. Buildings or other improvements, including timber, on non-excess land come within the purview of this law. For further instructions on disposition of proceeds, see § 644.322.

§ 644.478 Demolition of buildings and other improvements for utilization of salvage material.

With respect to DA property, demolition may be undertaken by the DE of buildings on non-excess land made available for disposal, when the salvage is to be used in construction or maintenance work by the Corps of Engineers or upon specific request from another service where funds for the purpose are made available. Real Estate funds will not be used for such demolition. Determination of practicability for use of buildings or improvements in authorized new construction at other sites or for salvage of materials will be made by the DE in accordance with existing instructions relating to use of materials in new construction. Where restoration of leased premises is being performed, it is the responsibility of the Corps of Engineers to perform the necessary demolition work as part of the restoration obligation, as set forth in §§ 644.444 through 644.471. Demolition may be accomplished under contract when special or expert services are required for removal of certain types of structures and funds are available therefor. Unused salvage materials will be turned over to redistribution and salvage officers for redistribution or disposal in accordance with existing regulations pertaining to personal property. The relocation of buildings or improvements on the same installation or for re-erection at another installation is not to be accomplished as a real estate function (AR 420–70). Further, it is provided in AR 420–70 that demolition of buildings or improvements where retention of the salvage for use at the installation is approved, or where no requirement or market is found for buildings or improvements approved for disposal by the Corps of Engineers, is a facilities engineering responsibility. Pursuant to AFR 87–4, disposal of AF buildings and improvements by sale will be accomplished by the Corps of Engineers, but all disposal of such property by salvage will be accomplished by the base commander.

§ 644.479 Authority for transfer of buildings and improvements to other Federal agencies.

Buildings and other improvements which have been screened for defense requirements, as outlined in §§ 644.333 through 644.339, may be transferred to another Federal agency as hereinafter outlined. The authority for the transfer of such property to other Federal agencies is outlined in §§ 644.400 through 644.449. The responsible DE is authorized to transfer buildings or structures for removal from the site, which have been made available for disposal by proper authority, upon receipt of a request signed by an official of another Federal agency.

§ 644.480 Procedure for transfer.

Transfer of buildings to other Federal agencies will be accomplished by DD Form 1354. An estimate of value will be shown on DD Form 1354, Transfer and Acceptance of Military Real Property, or other forms used and, in the case of transfer without reimbursement, the following footnote will be made: “Transfer to (Department or Agency), adjustment of funds not required.” When the transfer is made at the direction of GSA, an explanation therefor will also be made on the form. Buildings and other improvements which are reported to GSA for screening against requirements of other Federal agencies ( §§ 644.348 through 644.367) will be transferred to another Federal agency only at the direction of GSA and for the amount of reimbursement, if any, determined by GSA. Buildings and improvements which are not required to be reported to GSA will be screened against requirements of other Federal agencies by the responsible DE as provided in §§ 644.333 through 644.339.