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Nasiriyah Correctional Complex



PCO is constructing a modern correctional complex that will house up to 1,200 offenders who require segregation, maximum, medium, and minimum security conditions. This project will build upon and augment the Iraqi criminal justice system and support the rule of law in Iraq. The Nasiriyah project has created 900 construction jobs and 2,000 operational jobs.

Water Treatment Plant Passes 50% Completion Point

A water treatment plant that will serve several hundred thousand residents in Erbil has reached the 50% completion point. Water will be pumped 20 miles from Ifraz to a 5.2 million gallon storage tank in Erbil. The project employs 300 local workers who are learning modern construction techniques from the PCO contractor.



Reclamation of Mosul Dam



The largest dam in Iraq is the Mosul earthen dam that holds back more than 12 billion cubic meters of water for the arid Ninewah Province while creating hydroelectric power for the 1.7 million residents of Mosul. The project includes many upgrades and new automatic grout-injection equipment to help arrest seepage. Seismic equipment will provide information to monitor the dam's stability. Both types of work are critical in continuing flood protection, irrigating farmland, and maintaining sufficient water to generate 320MW of electricity. An Iraqi contractor has been selected for the Mosul Dam project as part of an effort to encourage local economic development and jobs.

Domestic Iraqi Airways Service Takes Off

Iraqi Airways has instituted its first domestic route from Baghdad to Basrah since the fall of the Saddam Hussein regime. Other aviation projects managed by PCO will bring Basrah International Airport up to International Civil Aviation Organization standards. PCO's projects at Basrah International Airport are expected to be completed on January 2006, and will cost \$37 million.



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Projects at a Glance (September 12, 2005)

- \$5.6 billion has been disbursed to date, representing nearly 43% of total funds
- 2,711 PCO projects starts out of 3,200 planned projects. This number includes 439 projects funded under the Accelerated Iraqi Reconstruction Program (AIRP)
- 1,760 PCO projects are complete, including 370 that are funded under the AIRP

Reconstruction Sector	Project Type	# Under Construction*	# Completed*
Health & Education	Schools (<i>classrooms for 336,000 students</i>)	103	687
	Primary Health Care Centers	142	0
	Hospitals	18	4
	Public Buildings	2	2
Public Works & Water	Potable Water Projects (<i>planned projects will add capacity to treat an additional 1 million cubic meters per day</i>)	77	82
	Sewage Projects	2	0
Security & Justice	Fire Stations	31	57
	Border Posts (<i>covers 2,400km of border</i>)	117	113
	Military Base Projects	44	34
	Police Facilities	139	198
Transportation & Communications	Railroad Stations	33	63
	Village Roads (<i>424km planned</i>)	35	5
	Ports Projects	2	2
	Postal Facilities	1	23
	Airport Projects (<i>FAA certified ready</i>)	7	1
	Expressways/Carriageways (<i>157km planned</i>)	1	0
Electricity	Distribution Projects (<i>Substations</i>)	71	60
	Transmission Projects	4	9
	Power Generation Projects (<i>will add 1,570 megawatts of addition generation capacity</i>)	3	13
Oil	Dedicated Power Plants	2	3
	Water Injection Pump Stations	2	6

* Note: Does not include projects funded by the Development Fund for Iraq.



About PCO

The Project and Contracting Office (PCO) is responsible for nearly \$13 billion of the total \$18.4 billion designated by the US Congress to support the reconstruction of Iraq. The PCO mission includes contracting for and delivering services, supplies, and infrastructure identified within the Iraqi Relief and Reconstruction Fund. PCO is aligned under the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology to provide contracting and project management support. PCO reports to the Department of State's Iraq Reconstruction Management Office on matters relating to project requirements and priorities. PCO activities in Iraq directly benefit Army ground commanders as these projects are linked to stabilization and peace, which in turn can positively affect the security situation.

News Media Requests: If you are a news media member and are interested in the possibility of scheduling an interview with a PCO program manager, please contact (703) 697-7592.

News Clips Available: PCO compiles a daily collection of news clips about Iraq Reconstruction and related subjects sourced from major media organizations world wide. If you are interested in receiving this information on a daily basis, please contact Mary Maloney at (703) 696-5090.

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U.S. Department of Commerce: <http://www.export.gov/iraq>

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: <http://www.hq.usace.army.mil/cepa/iraq/iraq.htm>

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