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Iowa Veterans Home Construction Underway

Marshalltown, IA - The Iowa Veterans Home (IVH) has taken another visible step towards implementing a \$108 million construction and renovation project. During the past two months, crews have been on the IVH campus to prepare the groundwork for new construction as part of Phase 1 of the IVH Master Plan.

Phase 1 will include a new 120-bed pavilion and a 60-bed pavilion that will provide a more home-like atmosphere for IVH residents. These new buildings will create a flexible and adaptable environment for the changing needs of the next generation of veteran residents.

The cost estimate for Phase 1 is \$45 million, of which \$15.8 million is funded by the State of Iowa and \$29.4 million is funded through the Federal Veterans Administration Construction Grant Program. Groundbreaking on the new buildings began in May on the south side of the IVH campus.

Phases 2 through 4 include additional new construction and renovation of existing structures. In May 2009, Governor Culver signed legislation to provide \$22.5 million through the I-JOBS bonding plan to fund Phases 2 through 4. Once those funds are available, IVH will submit an application to the Federal VA Construction Grant Program for the remaining funds (approximately \$40 million).

More photos of the construction progress are available on the IVH website (www.iowaveteranshome.org).

The Iowa Veterans Home is a leader in providing innovative health care for over 720 Iowa veterans and their spouses. As the largest nursing home in Iowa and the second largest veterans home in the country, IVH has expertise in nursing, medical, rehabilitative care and mental health services provided by a high quality workforce of 1,000 employees. In addition, IVH is strengthened by a state service and support network of many veterans organizations represented throughout all 99 Iowa counties.

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[Photos] Crews prepare the site for a 120-bed and a 60-bed pavilion at the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown as part of a \$108 million construction and renovation project.