



**Name of Property:** Camp Evans  
**City, State:** Wall Township, New Jersey  
**Period of Significance:** 1941-1945  
**NHL Criteria:** 1  
**NHL Theme:** IV. Shaping the Political Landscape  
3. Military Institutions and Activities  
VI. Expanding Science and Technology  
2. Technological Applications  
**Previous Recognition:** 1999 National Register of Historic Places  
**National Historic Context:** VIII. World War II  
A. War in Europe, Africa, and the Atlantic, 1939-1945  
B. War in the Pacific, 1941-1945  
C. The Home Front  
XVIII. Technology (Engineering and Invention)  
A. Military (Fortifications, Weapons, and War Vehicles)  
*2007 World War II and the American Home Front Theme Study*

**NHL Significance:**

- Camp Evans is a World War II-era U.S. Army Signal Corps electronics development, testing, and production facility that was one of the principal U.S. sites associated with the development of radar.
- In many instances, Camp Evans radar teams planned, set specifications, directed, contracted, and coordinated wartime radar research and production with other radar



laboratories. Equipment developed, tested, battle-hardened, documented, and upgraded at Camp Evans saw use in all World War II theaters of war and protected American military assets worldwide.

**Integrity:**

- Thirty-five of the district's 49 buildings and structures are contributing resources because of their high level of historic integrity and their association with the World War II-era military facility.
- Only a few of the district's World War II-era resources have been lost, and only a few other extant resources post-date the period of national significance. The highly intact district conveys a strong sense of time and place, and is slated for additional preservation and restoration work.
- The nominated historic district is the central portion of a larger historic military facility that until recently remained largely intact. Adjacent Camp Evans areas outside the proposed NHL boundary retain somewhat less integrity, and some of their historic resources have recently been, or will soon be, demolished. Some of the extant Camp Evans resources outside the proposed NHL boundary will be repurposed as part of a community college, and for other uses.

**Owner of Property:** Wall Township, New Jersey, and United States Army

**Acreage of Property:** 27 acres

**Origins of Nomination:** Camp Evans was noted in the *World War II and the American Home Front* theme study (2007) for possible NHL consideration. Washington NHL staff prepared this nomination in 2010 and 2011.

**Potential for Positive Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program:**

- InfoAge (a non-profit lessee) has long been actively working to preserve this historic district and inform the visiting public about its role in the history of electronics development. NHL recognition is expected to increase appreciation of this historic facility, and support ongoing efforts to further preserve and restore this large complex to its World War II appearance.

**Potential for Negative Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program:** None known.

**Landmarks Committee Comments:**

**Landmarks Committee Recommendation:**

**Public Comments Favoring Designation (received as of 03/30/12):**

Hal Wallace, Associate Curator, Smithsonian Institution

**Advisory Board Recommendation:**