

**ROSMAN
CLOSES ITS
DOORS**

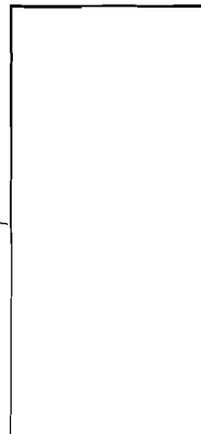
~~(FOUO)~~ When we reported on the decision to close Rosman Research Station (RRS) in Vol. II, #2, no determination had been made regarding the disposition of the Station and the physical plant. That was back in January 1994, so we thought it was time to provide an update.

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~~(FOUO)~~ Working together with the folks at Rosman, a team representing all of the Key Components assisted with establishing the closure process. It planned for the worst case scenario where the Agency might be required to demolish the infrastructure and restore the property to a pristine forest by the end of FY97. Before the site's last mission was shut down in November 1994, word of the closure was revealed by the local press motivating various state and local groups to begin making requests. For example, one group investigated the possible use of the site, intact with all of the equipment, to use as an uplink to the information super-highway; another saw possibilities for turning it into a tech school for computer/communications skills; and Transylvania County asked for the fire truck.

~~(FOUO)~~ This closure was the first involving an "NSA-owned" facility, but fortunately such processes are governed by DoD property disposition regulations. Most of the operational and administrative equipment was excessed to other SIGINT facilities. The local school systems received some of the old personal computers and the fire truck did end up at a local fire house. Much of the other equipment and related material has been recycled to other DoD and U. S. Government organizations. As of 10 April 1995, the estimated value of the disposed equipment and material was as follows:

- * Returned/transferred to NSA/Ft. Meade
- * Transferred to NSA field sites
- * Donated via OUTREACH
- * Transferred to other organizations
- * Shipped to NSA for disposal
- * Transferred to Defense Logistics Agency/
General Services Administration depots
- * Disposition via Defense Reutilization
and Marketing Office



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TOTAL TO DATE

~~(FOUO)~~ RRS has made a very significant effort to recycle waste paper. So far over 7,500 pounds of shredded paper have been donated to Transylvania County for recycling as opposed to clogging the local landfill.

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~~(FOUO)~~ As for the site, the buildings and infrastructure will be abandoned by the Agency and given to the U.S. Forest Service on 30 September 1995. This will occur as a result of the efforts of the local U. S. Army Corps of Engineers who worked with the RRS Chief of Station to negotiate a termination agreement with the U.S. Forest Service's District Ranger for the Pisgah National Forest. The agreement will save the Agency an estimated [redacted] in demolition and reforestation costs. As part of the agreement, for a one-year period beginning in FY96 NSA will assume caretaker responsibility for the site. Unless another tenant is found in the meantime, one government employee and a few contractor personnel will remain during the caretaker period to provide physical security and facilities maintenance support.

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