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I-240, Air Base Tie

The commander of the Memphis Naval Air Station at Millington says a planned highway linking the base with Interstate 240 should set a new pattern of cooperation between Memphis and the facility.

Rear Adm. A. M. Sackett, chief of Navy Technical Training, spoke at the Rotary Club luncheon at Holiday Inn-Rivermont Tuesday.

Under a revised plan, Covington Pike will link I-240 to the proposed Millington-Arlington Parkway extension, which will run just south of the base.

An original plan called for extension of Old Brownsville Road to the base, which would not have provided access to I-240.

County Engineer George Dando said Sackett's appearance before the Memphis Urban Area Transit Study technical coordinating committee early this year "provided the impetus for changing the plan."

Dando said bids for the estimated \$8.4 million road construction project will be taken early next summer and the job will take a minimum of two years to complete.

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