# Munitions Response (MR) Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team Meeting Minutes 13 November 2019 Fort Ord, CA

#### Members/Invited Attendees

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# <u>Agenda</u>

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>	Comment
Community Relations	Update	by Melissa Broadston
Property Transfer	Update	by Derek Lieberman
Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA)	Update	by Stan Cook
Fieldwork	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Site Security Program	Update	by Betsy Hibbits
Report Status	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Schedule	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Action Items	Review	by Chieko Nozaki
Next Meeting	Schedule	by Chieko Nozaki

## **Community Relations** – The Army provided an update on community outreach:

- 1. Long term actions underway: FortOrdCleanup.com was updated to feature a Land Use Control Implementation Plan page and a link to a flier for munitions recognition and safety training.
- 2. Recent activities included: Participated in the 26 October Fort Ord National Public Lands Day.

3. Upcoming activities include: Send annual letter to contractors offering munitions safety training in November; 3 December presentation for Carmel Valley Rotary. Community involvement events have been scheduled for 2020.

#### **Property Transfer** – The Army provided an update on recent property transfer actions.

- 1. Parcel L36: Draft of a modification to the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for Economic Development Conveyance (EDC) transfers is pending execution by DASA. MOA amendment is at ODASA, under review at Office of General Counsel (OGC). During the ECP recertification process it was determined a new FOST will be developed to reclassify Parcel L36 as Category 1; i.e. parcel has no history of contamination.
- 2. A new MOA is needed for EDC transfers that will occur after FORA sunsets.
- 3. FOST 11: Parcels L2.3 and L2.4.1. SPK-RE (Boyd) submitted draft deed to FORA, title report is in progress; disposal package scheduled for submittal to USACE HQ. Executed ECP recertification was received by SPK-RE. The Army will not develop a CRUP for these parcels. MOA amendment is at ODASA, under review at OGC.
- 4. FOST 12: Parcel E20c.1 to FORA: no change. ELD is coordinating deed with OGC.
- 5. FOST 12: Parcel S2.1.2 to UC. ECP recertification executed by Chief, BRAC-D on 5/10/2019. USACE-HQ submitted comments on deed regarding legal sufficiency. SPK-RE updated information paper for USACE-HQ approval, submitted revised deed language to UC on 7/15/2019, but UC requested complete deed because UC counsel changed; SPK-RE sent complete deed to UC on 8/14/2019. On 10/8/2019 UC said revisions to indemnification provision are insufficient and UC will have additional comments. SPK-RE requested full list of comments on 11/5/2019.
- 6. FOSET 1 & 4: No change.
- 7. FOSET 5: CERCLA Warranty for Parcel S1.3.2 (Group 2 CSUMB Off-Campus MRA): Revised draft was submitted to ELD on 6/19/2019. ELD revisions were received on 7/20/2019; revised draft was resubmitted to ELD on 7/23/2019. It was submitted to USACE SPK on 10/17/2019. It is scheduled to be issued 11/12/2019. When complete, it will be used as a template.
- 8. CERCLA warranty for MOUT Site MRA is scheduled to be issued 12/24/2019 as part of MPC deed modification (submitted to ELD on 11/3/2019).
- 9. CERCLA warranty for Seaside MRA is scheduled to be issued 12/9/2019 as part of Seaside deed modification (submitted to ELD on 10/15/2019).
- 10. CERCLA warranty for Interim Action Ranges MRA is scheduled to be issued on 12/24/2019 as part of MPC deed modification (submitted to ELD on 11/3/2019).

# **ESCA Update** – FORA provided a written ESCA Program Status Report and an update:

- 1. Monterey One Pure Water project construction is nearly complete. FORA will coordinate with new operations and maintenance staff regarding munitions training, locking gates, erosion, dust, and parking issues.
- 2. California American Water finished installing pipe along General Jim Moore Boulevard within the ESCA properties. Utilizing an approved construction support plan, the next phase of the Aquifer Storage and Recovery site expansion project will begin shortly.
- 3. Teichert Construction was selected as the contractor for the California Veterans Cemetery Phase 2. A pre-construction meeting will be held in early December. FORA will coordinate munitions training and verify their construction support plan and UXO support contractor.

## Fieldwork/BLM Area B and MRS-16 - The Army provided an update on the status of fieldwork:

1. Current trail closure information (as of 3 July 2019) is posted on website and kiosks. Trails within Units A and B are closed. Roads are subject to temporary closure during subsurface removal operations.

- 2. All planned subsurface removals have been completed in Units B-3E, B-3E-NE, B-3W, C, B-2A, and B.
- 3. Subsurface MEC removal on the 12-ft wide trail footprints has been completed on Unit A Trails 65 (to be abandoned), 66, 67, 68, and 69.
- 4. Subsurface removal on additional road segments is in progress. Unit B perimeter fence was removed. DGM was completed on 9/24. Target reacquisition and intrusive investigation are in progress. As of 8 November, 4,661 targets were identified for intrusive investigation; 2,541 have been investigated. Analog process will be used in DGM data gap areas.

### **Fieldwork/Track 3 Update** - The Army provided an update on the status of fieldwork:

- 1. Subsurface removal activities for the Impossible Canyon Road and Wildcat Ridge Road fuel break work were completed on 6/17, and fuel break markers were installed.
- 2. Fuel Breaks Additional Verification: Metal Mapper (MM) 2x2 dynamic survey was conducted from 10/22/2018 to 4/16/2019 (25.5 acres). 437 preliminary cured targets in 3 road grids were previously excavated by 1/10, yielding information that will be used to refine the classification process. The MM 2x2 cued survey is 82% complete as of 11/8; 9,609 cued targets have been identified for intrusive investigation; 8,428 have been investigated.
- 3. Range 48 Northern Portion Near-surface MEC removal (up to 6 inches in depth): 25 of 148 grids were completed from 1/15 to 2/28. Fieldwork was suspended during the winter due to habitat conservation requirements. Work resumed 6/12 and is 94% complete as of 11/8. DGM will be conducted.
- 4. Demolitions operations were conducted on 10/9, 10/23, and 10/25. Nine off-site shipments of MD have been completed to date.
- 5. Construction of the Impact Area north perimeter fence was completed on 8/12, and fuel break markers were installed.
- 6. BLM noted of a recently-completed Hawkeye Road restoration which involved scraping 12- to 18-inch surface layer and installing a geotextile and other layers to stabilize the road near a wetland. Chenega provided environmental conservation training. California tiger salamander was not encountered during the project. The work did not result in any report of incidental munitions encounter.

**MMRP Safety and Site Security** – The Army provided a description of recent MEC, trespass, and security incidents, community education events, and related training:

- 1. Trespass Incident Reports
  - a. Last 24 days (10/4/2019 11/07/2019): 2
  - b. On October 4, 2019 staff discovered graffiti painted on the old grenade range on Riso Ridge Road at Range 36.
  - c. On 23 October at 11:40 a.m., UXO technicians discovered a trespasser walking northbound on Evolution Road x Stinger Road in the Impact Area. The individual was removed from the site and was cited for trespassing by POMPD.
  - d. Year to Date: 31
- 2. Munitions Incident Reports
  - a. Last 24 days (10/4/2019 11/07/2019): 1
  - b. On 7 November 2019 a 3.5-inch rocket motor was found at the OU2 Landfill. The item was determined to be MD and was removed to scrap.
  - c. Year to Date: 7
- 3. Community Education Participants— Year to Date: 240
- 4. Munitions Recognition and Safety Training Participants Year to Date: 256

5. BRAC is working on agreements for providing additional POMPD and BLM law enforcement patrols. Based on BCT discussion, BRAC will consider a more detailed analysis of trespassing data, and additional outreach aimed at discouraging trespassing.

**Report Status**—The Army provided a review and update. The changes to the previous status report are:

- 1. Revised MRS-BLM Non-Burn Pond 16 Report is with agencies for review; EPA has no comment and will provide a letter.
- 2. MRS-BLM Non-Burn Structure Removal Report will be issued in December.
- 3. MRS-BLM Non-Burn subsurface removal in WGBA mortar pit and other restoration sites was issued and agency comments have been requested.
- 4. Final MRS-BLM Unit 3 Supplemental Report (additional anomaly investigation potential for Stokes mortars and Livens projectors) was issued on 5 November as final.
- 5. Ranges 43-48 South RAR is scheduled for January 2020 following fieldwork completion.
- 6. Draft MRS-BLM Unit 23 MEC Risk Reduction Activity TM was issued and is with agencies for review through 25 November.
- 7. Draft MRS-BLM Unit 23 RAR is scheduled to be issued in late November. It will be included in the FFA schedule.
- 8. Draft MRS-BLM Unit 31 TIP is scheduled to be issued by 22 November. It will document work done in preparation for prescribed burning, although burning was not accomplished due to weather and resource constraints.
- 9. Draft final MRS-BLM Units 13, 17 and 20 Field Evaluation Final Report was issued in September and is with the agencies for comment. Response to comments is in progress for CAG comments. EPA has no comment and will provide a letter.
- 10. Draft Impact Area MRA Sensitive Fuze-type Munitions Field Study Report was issued to the agencies 12 July. EPA will defer to DTSC. DTSC comments are pending.
- 11. Impact Area MRA Surface Remediation Area Annual Monitoring Report is scheduled to be issued in December.
- 12. BLM Area B B-2A TM was issued. EPA commented. DTSC comments are pending.
- 13. BLM Area B B-2A TIP was issued. CAG and EPA commented; no comment from DTSC. It will be issued marked "final" in November.
- 14. Draft BLM Area B Vernal Ponds anomaly evaluation/investigation report was issued 20 September and is with agencies for review.
- 15. BLM Area B Unit B TM was issued 8 November. The Army is requesting agency concurrence on the recommendations of the TM by 26 November.
- 16. BLM Area B Unit B TIP for public access is scheduled to be issued in late November. It may be delayed until rainfall raises soil moisture enough to enable completion of BLM's trail work.
- 17. Draft BLM Area B RAR is scheduled to be issued in early January.
- 18. Draft BLM Area B Unit A (2018 Unit) TIP is scheduled to be issued in late November. It will document work done in preparation for prescribed burning, although burning was not accomplished due to weather and resource constraints.

**FFA Schedule** – The Army will update the FFA schedule for the Unit 23 RAR.

Action Items – Due action items were described as complete and pending items were reviewed.

The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled for 31 January, 19 February, and 18 March.

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