PUBLIC NOTICE

Approval Memorandum - No Further Munitions Response Needed for MRS-6 Expansion Area

The Munitions Response Site 6 (MRS-6) Expansion Area, an approximately 26-acre area of the former Fort Ord, was identified as a Track 1 area after the Track 1 Record of Decision was signed. Track 1 sites were suspected to have been used for military training with military munitions but no further response action is required based on remedial investigation. Investigations of the MRS-6 Expansion Area identified evidence of past training involving military munitions. Training at MRS-6 Expansion Area involved only the use of practice and pyrotechnic items that are not designed to cause injury. In the unlikely event that a live item of the type previously observed in the area is found, it is not expected that the item would function by casual contact (i.e. inadvertent and unintentional contact). Consistent with the Track 1 plug-in process, Track 1 Plug-In Approval Memorandum MRS-6 Expansion Area (May 2005) was made available for a 30-day public review period that ended on June 9, 2005. The Approval Memorandum provides the Track 1 evaluation for, and rationales for taking no further munitions response at, the MRS-6 Expansion Area.

The Army has received written concurrence from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The State of California, Department of Toxic Substances Control, has had an opportunity to review and comment and its concerns were addressed. This agency-approved Approval Memorandum serves as the final decision document regarding munitions response for the MRS-6 Expansion Area.

The above documents are available at the Administrative Record (Bldg. 4463 Gigling Rd., Ord Military Community, Appointments are recommended, phone 393-9186); in the information repositories at California State University Monterey Bay Library Complex (Bldg. 12, Third St., Seaside, phone 582-3733) and Seaside Branch Library (550 Harcourt Ave., Seaside, phone 899-2537); and on the Internet at www.fortordcleanup.com. For further information contact Melissa Broadston at 831-393-1284.

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