

**Munitions Response Base Realignment and Closure Cleanup Team  
Meeting Minutes  
January 22, 2014  
Fort Ord, CA**

**Members / Invited Attendees**

Lewis Mitani, EPA  
Ed Walker, DTSC  
Bill Collins, BRAC  
Chieko Nozaki, Chenega  
David Eisen, USACE  
Steve Crane, ITSI  
Lyle Shurtleff, BRAC  
Bart Kowalski, Chenega

Melissa Broadston, Chenega  
Derek Lieberman, AHTNA  
Chris Duymich, Chenega  
Kevin Siemann, ITSI  
Sonny Franks, USACE (phone)  
James Specht, USACE  
Stan Cook, FORA

Shawn Meek, USACE

**Agenda**

<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>Action</u></b>	<b><u>Comment</u></b>
Community Relations	Update	by –Melissa Broadston
Property Transfer	Update	by Derek Lieberman
Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) (FORA Update)	Update	by Stan Cook
Prescribed Burn Program	Update	by Chris Duymich
Munitions Response Site (MRS) Fieldwork / Track 3	Update	by Lyle Shurtleff
MRS Security Program	Update	by Lyle Shurtleff
Remaining Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Areas	Update	by ITSI/Gilbane
Fritzsche Army Air Field (FAAF)	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Report Status	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Schedule	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Action Items	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Next Meeting	Update	by Chieko Nozaki

**Community Relations:** Army provided an update on community relations actions:

1. On 11 December, the Army participated in the FORA/ESCA Informal Community Workshop.
2. The Army will participate in the ESCA Users Group meeting to present information on possible Army actions described in BLM Area B RI/FS, January 22.
3. The Army released a fact sheet describing the RI/FS for BLM Area B and MRS-16 in January.
4. The Army announced the next Community Involvement Workshop featuring bus tours is scheduled for March 1.

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5. EPA provided the results of a TASC meeting held in December which included a schedule and prioritization for the review of Army and ESCA cleanup documents.

**Property Transfer:** The Army provided an update to current property transfer actions:

1. **Finding of Suitability to Transfer (FOST) 11:** No change.
2. **FOST 12:** Army responses to University of California comments on the deed are in progress. Comments to the deed were received from USACE HQ, OC.
3. **Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer (FOSET) 4 CERCLA Warranty:** BRAC-FO revised CERCLA Warranty document and supplemental deed “quitclaiming” property restrictions and submitted to SPK-OC for review.
4. **Parcel L20.4 (Oil Well Rd) transfer to BLM:** Signature authority for Letter of Transfer delegated to USACE HQ Dir. of Real Estate.
5. FORA requested the Army correct to change recorded deed amendments for FOST 5 ESCA property in Parker Flats MRA regarding reference to FORA as a state agency instead of a public corporation.

**ESCA Update:** ESCA provided a summary of Technical Progress and Public Participation.

**Prescribed Burn Program:**

1. The Army provided a review of recent prescribed burn operations.
2. Preliminary air monitoring data was forwarded to the MBUAPCD.
3. A draft of the after action report for the prescribed burn of Units 7 and 10 is tentatively scheduled for publication in March 2014.

**Fieldwork Update:** The Army provided an update on recent and planned fieldwork:

1. The Army provided a map identifying the locations of significant surface MEC finds during recent remediation activities that could influence future activities.
2. The totals for UXO items found and MD (in pounds) processed in active remediation units/areas to date were provided.
3. Vegetation cutting in Unit 7 is complete. Surface removal action has commenced in that unit with an estimated completion date of 10 March.
4. Mechanical cutting of vegetation in Unit 10 is in progress and estimated to be complete in February. Unit 33, which was unintentionally burned in October 2013, has been added to the MEC removal schedule.
5. Some subsurface removal work remains in the 100-ft buffer area within Unit 2 (adjacent to Del Rey Oaks sites) where fencing must be moved. MEC removal in WGBA portion of the 100 ft buffer is pending ESS approval.
6. Detonations on December 11 and 12 determined 63 items of a total of 207 items subjected to detonations to be live. The remainders were determined to be inert/expended.

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

1. There were 3 MEC incident reported since the December meeting.

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- a. January 6 – BLM habitat work crew reported a possible mortar projectile in Unit 14 at the center of the impact area. MEC safety contractor responded and determined the item to be the fin assembly of an 81mm mortar, expended. The item was moved to the MD bin for recycle.
  - b. January 6 – A Native Plant Society volunteer reported an unknown metal object in the roadway of Hawkeye Road between Orion and Riso Ridge Roads. USACE MEC Specialist responded and determined the item to be unidentifiable MD. Material was moved to the MD bin for recycle.
  - c. January 9 – A habitat contractor reported unknown ordnance item in a bike trail at the intersection of Watkins Gate Road and Machine Gun Flats. A MEC safety contractor responded and determined the item to be a 75mm shrapnel projectile, expended. The item was moved to the MD bin for recycle.
2. There were 2 Evidence of Trespass reports since the December meeting.
- a. December 6 – (entry delayed for administrative requirements) POM Police were called to the MOUT site by a POM contractor to interview 4 adults discovered to be trespassing. In the process of the interview it was determined that the subjects had trespassed through restricted impact area (MRS-BLM) from a Laguna Seca parking area to gain access to explore the MOUT site. The source of the information prevented citation of the subjects.
  - b. December 9 – USACE staff observed an adult walking on a ridge north of Range 34 (impact area east). The subject was too far away to intercept. Discussions with POM MOUT manager determined that the subject was likely a foreign police force member out of bounds during use of the MOUT site for training.
3. The Army provided a status of MEC safety training program. Recent participants included construction contractors for development projects. The Army MEC safety education program was described as scheduled for presentation at the Toro Park Elementary School on 27 January.
4. An annual meeting of the Munitions Response Site Security Committee has been scheduled for February 13.

**Remaining RI/FS Areas:** The Army provided an update on the status of the development of an RI/FS for the MRSs and adjoining property outside the impact area. Draft Track 2 RI/FS report for BLM Area B and MRS-16 has been issued November 22. Comments are requested by January 27.

**MRS-34 (FAAF):** The Army has requested EPA review of proposed changes to address EPA comments.

**Report Status:** The Army provided a review and update:

1. The Final MRS-BLM Watkins Gate Burn Area SSWP is scheduled for 31 January.

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2. Comments to the Draft Track 2 RI/FS for BLM Area B and MRS-16 are requested by January 27.
3. The Draft Final Technical Information Paper for removal to depth in MRS-BLM Non-Burn 100ft Buffer South of BLM Headquarters (HQ) is planned for February.
4. The Draft Technical Information Paper MRS-BLM Non-Burn 100ft Buffer MOUT was issued on 26 November. Comments are pending. The Draft Final version is scheduled for February.
5. The Draft MRS-BLM Units 4, 11 and 12 (2011 Units) remedial action report was issued on October 31. EPA and DTSC have commented. The draft final version will be published in February.
6. The Draft MRS-BLM Units 7 and 10 (2013 Units) Prescribed Burn After Action Report is tentatively planned for issue on 19 March.
7. The Technical Memorandum for Unit 6 is scheduled for 21 February.

**FFA Schedule:** The Army provided a review of the FFA schedule. The Track 3 schedule will be updated to reflect actual review periods of recently issued documents. The MRS-34 (FAAF) schedule will be updated.

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

The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled for February 28 at 10:00 A.M. and March 19 at 10:00 A.M.

Acronyms:

AAR	After Action Report
AFB	Air Force Base
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BRAC-D	Base Realignment and Closure-Department of the Army
BCT	BRAC Cleanup Team
Blueline	Demarcation line between MRS-BLM and ESCA property from Eucalyptus and South Boundary Roads.
CIW	Community Involvement Workshop
CRUP	Covenant to Restrict the Use of Property
CSUMB	California State University Monterey Bay
D	Draft
DF	Draft Final
DGM	Digital Geophysical Mapping
DTSC	California Department of Toxic Substances Control
ELD	Environmental Law Division
EOD	Explosive Ordnance Disposal
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
ESCA	Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement
FAAF	Fritzsche Army Air Field
FFA	Federal Facility Agreement
FORA	Fort Ord Reuse Authority

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FOCAG	Fort Ord Community Advisory Group
FOEJN	Fort Ord Environmental Justice Network
FOST	Finding of Suitability for Transfer
FOSET	Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer
FWV	Fieldwork Variance
HQ	Headquarters
ITSI	ITSI Gilbane Company (formerly Innovative Technical Solutions Inc.)
Mag and Dig	Process of using a magnetometer to detect subsurface ferrous metal and then digging it up.
MBUAPCD	Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District
MD	Munitions Debris
MEC	Munitions and Explosives of Concern
MIM	Marina in Motion
MOUT	Military Operations in Urban Terrain
MPC	Monterey Peninsula College
MPPEH	Material Potentially Presenting an Explosive Hazard
MRA	Munitions Response Area
MRS	Munitions Response Site
NPS	Navel Postgraduate School
OC	Office of Counsel
ODASA	Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army
OGC	Office of General Counsel
PM	Project Manager
POM	Presidio of Monterey
RAR	Remedial Action Report
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RD/RA	Remedial Design/Remedial Action
RI/FS	Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study
ROD	Record of Decision
RP	Remediation Program
Shaw	Shaw Corporation, Environmental and Industrial (E&I)
SPK	USACE Sacramento District
SSWP	Site Specific Work Plan
TASC	Technical Assistance Services for Communities
TM	Technical Memorandum
TRC	Technical Review Committee
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USF&W	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
UXO	Unexploded Ordnance

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