

**Munitions Response Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team
Meeting Minutes
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Fort Ord, CA**

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Agenda

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| Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) | Update | by Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) |
| Prescribed Burn Program | Update | by Betsy Hibbits |
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| Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Area B & MRS-16 | Update | by Chieko Nozaki |
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Community Relations – The Army provided an update on community outreach:

1. Recent activities included: hosting a Community Involvement Mobile Workshop (CIW)/Nature Walk inside the Impact Area (5 May); providing an information booth at Presidio of Monterey Language Day (11 May); providing a munitions briefing to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) (4 Jun); responding to a media inquiry about munitions cleanup work in the northern portion of the National Monument; and providing a burn briefing to California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB) (11 Jun).
2. Long term actions underway include: continuing outreach related to munitions cleanup work in the northern portion of the Fort Ord National Monument; initiating 2018 burn season announcements and outreach activities (15 Jun); evaluating results of the 2017 community survey; and publishing the draft analysis report.
3. Upcoming outreach activities include: providing outreach at 8th & Gigling prior to vegetation cutting along Gigling Road and 8th Avenue Extension as part of burn site preparation; pushing out burn season announcements (15 Jun); hosting the CIW open house/bus tour (14 Jul) and the Technical Review Committee (17 Jul); leading a bus tour for local senior center (7 Aug); and providing an information booth at the Monterey County Fair (31 Aug).

Property Transfer – The Army provided an update on recent property transfer actions:

1. FOST 6 Parcel L36: No changes from last MR BCT. Parcel will be transferred to FORA as an Economic Development Conveyance (EDC) parcel. A draft memorandum of agreement (MOA) amendment is under review by the Army Environmental Law Division (ELD).
2. FOST 11: No changes. Executed by Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (DASA) on 30 Oct. The draft deed was reviewed by USACE Sacramento District (SPK) Real Estate (RE) and was forwarded to SPK Office of Counsel (OC) on 20 Feb. SPK Real Estate (RE) is preparing to submit disposal package to USACE HQ by 1 Jul.
3. FOST 12: No changes. SPK-RE submitted disposal package for Parcel E29b.3.1 to USACE HQ on 1 May. The USACE Southwest Division (SWD) required info paper to be revised and resubmitted. USACE will ask FORA to re-execute the deed, originally signed in Dec 2016, to avoid a large discrepancy in the FORA and USACE execution dates. For Parcel S2.1.2 to University of California (UC), a meeting between ELD, SPK-RE and UC was held on 10 Apr to resolve minor comments on the deed. Two issues remain to be resolved by ELD.
4. FOSET 1/4/5: No changes. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) draft warranty documents are under review with ELD. Once completed, copies will be provided to EPA and DTSC. CERCLA Warranty for Parcel S1.3.2 (Group 2 CSUMB Off-Campus Munitions Response Area (MRA)) and Group 3 parcels (Del Rey Oaks/Monterey MRA, Laguna Seca Parking MRA, MOUT Site MRA) are pending finalization of their respective Group 2 and Group 3 Land Use Control Implementation Plan (LUCIP)/Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Plan and remedy complete determinations. The Army will begin developing CERCLA warranty documents for parcels associated with ESCA Interim Action Ranges, Group 1 and Group 4 MRAs.
5. Parcel L20.4 (Oil Well Rd) transfer to BLM: No change. Letter of Transfer (LOT) is under review at OGC to be executed by DASA with an objective of the parcel being transferred by end of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018. LOT revisions/updates may be required due to time lapse.

ESCA Update – FORA provided an update:

1. The Monterey One Water (formerly Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency [MRWPCA]) Pure Water Project Phase 2 work in the northern part of Seaside MRA began on 7 May. Work is underway. FORA and Monterey One Water will coordinate pipe installation along the Blue Line Road so that one lane will remain open during work. PG&E will be bringing electricity across Seaside MRA to the well site.
2. The Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well Site Expansion project is planned to start this summer.

3. Current FORA outreach efforts are related to Rights of Entry (ROE) onto ESCA properties.
4. The PG&E tower replacement project was revised to just anchoring the towers. Installation of anchors and guidewires is now complete.

Prescribed Burn Update – The Army provided an update:

1. The first burn preparation meeting for 2018 was held on 16 May.
2. Mastication began 4 Jun and Units 31 and A are being prepped simultaneously. An updated mastication plan for Unit 31 to address vegetation regrowth in containment lines (CLs) was provided.
3. A temporary road will be constructed at Trails 67 and 59 in the northern part of Unit A to allow firefighter access. Additional vegetation removal is required to create this fuel break. An updated mastication plan for Unit A was provided.
4. Water tanks are being reconfigured to support both burn units without having to be moved.
5. The 2018 prescribed burn blackout calendar has been finalized.
6. Presidio of Monterey Fire Department (POMFD) will start testing live fuel moisture in the burn units every two weeks.
7. Burn day forecasts are available on the website.
8. The Army will begin conducting burn briefings with local agencies in mid-June.

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

1. The BLM Area B website is being maintained with current road and trail closure information. The most recent updates were made 1 Jun.
2. Notice and warning signs, trail closures, and boundary fences are in place around the current work areas in Units B, C, B-3W, B-3E and B-2A.
3. Vegetation removal in support of 2018 prescribed burns began on 4 Jun. Two mechanical masticators and four manual cutting teams are onsite.
4. Surface MEC removal is complete in Units B-3E, B-3W and all of Unit B-2A except for 11 acres comprising the Trail 62 buffer. Surface MEC removal continues in Units B and C burned areas.
5. Digital Geophysical Mapping (DGM) is complete in Unit B-2A, except for the Trail 62 buffer, and in Unit B-3E except for the area of heavy Toro manzanita near Trail 56. DGM accessibility issues related to this heavy tree density in Unit B-3E are still under evaluation. DGM is scheduled to begin in Unit B-3W.
6. Planning for subsurface MEC removal in Unit B-3E (east of Addington Road) is in progress.

Fieldwork/Track 3 Update – The Army provided an update on recent and planned fieldwork:

1. Target digs for subsurface removal in the second half of Broadway Bypass are complete, including approximately 100 Quality Assurance (QA) validation digs provided by USACE geophysicists. A remedial action report (RAR) is in development.
2. The Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study MetalMapper 2x2 dynamic and cued surveys are complete and a target dig list was developed. Excavation of target digs are in progress. Two unexploded ordnance (UXO) items were found and detonated in place; one discarded military munition (DMM) was destroyed as part of a consolidated detonation.
3. The Unit 23 Risk Reduction MetalMapper 2x2 cued survey on 1,217 target picks (from EM-61 survey) for potential near-surface large ordnance items is complete except for 56 targets in habitat management plan (HMP) grids. These targets are scheduled to be cued now that the biological restraints have been lifted. Target digs will begin following completion of the Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study field work.
4. Impact Area habitat restoration projects and erosion control activities are ongoing.
5. Annual Surface Monitoring site walks as part of the MRS Surface Monitoring program are complete. Four MPPEH items were recovered and later confirmed as munitions debris (MD). Data from the site walks will be evaluated and compiled in an Annual Surface Monitoring report.

6. One consolidated detonation was conducted on 9 May for 187 munitions potentially presenting an explosive hazard (MPPEH). Final demo results include 102 DMM items, 39 UXO items, and 46 munitions debris (MD) items.
7. No changes to the Vernal Pools Investigation work. The final target list for reacquisition is being developed and the Metal Mapper 2x2 will be used to conduct this work once higher priority MetalMapper 2x2 projects are complete.
8. Current data from the approximately 56,000 linear feet (LF) of transects that were completed as part of the Units 13/17/20 Field Evaluation Phase 2 field work are being evaluated and a report of findings and recommendations is being developed.
9. Impact Area 100-Foot Buffer markers have been installed along the south and west boundaries of the Impact Area.
10. Additional verification fieldwork will be conducted in specific segments of fuel breaks as part of the Fuel Breaks Quality Control (QC) work.

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

1. One trespass incident was recorded since the last MR BCT meeting. It involved fence damage caused by a vehicle crash along S. Boundary Road.
2. Five munitions incidents were reported since the last MR BCT meeting. They included several 3.5-inch rockets (MPPEH) and motors (MD) in Unit 21 reported by BLM weeds crew and Burleson, an MD 40mm Illumination canister near Pond 5, and an M69 practice grenade on Lookout Ridge that was reported by a BLM employee.
3. Community Education for 2018 – 25 participants.
4. Munitions Recognition and Safety Training for 2018 – 109 participants.

BLM Area B & MRS-16 – The Army provided an update:

1. The final Interim LUCIP for BLM Area B and MRS-16 addressing agency comments is in preparation.
2. At BLM's request, the Army provided a presentation about LUC requirements and safety procedures during BLM's safety meeting on 4 Jun.

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

1. Five field work variances (FWVs) were issued:
 - a. Impossible Canyon Road (ICR) reroute and add all of ICR to the permanent fuel break system.
 - b. Minor road adjustment of Evolution Road near South Boundary Road.
 - c. Removal of Steep Road from the permanent fuel break system.
 - d. Address additional work for the non-burn fuel break supplemental QC additional work.
 - e. A FWV for the QAPP Volume II – Appendix A to clarify rope placement during surface removal procedures.
2. Draft final MRS-BLM Units 1/2/3 Remedial Action Report (RAR) was issued 31 May. Comments are requested by 5 Jul.
3. Draft MRS-BLM Unit 28 RAR was issued 31 May. Comments are requested by 5 Jul.
4. The MRS-BLM Unit 25 Technical Memorandum (TM) was issued 13 Apr and the Army accepted community comments through 16 May. No community comments were received; comments were received from DTSC on 2 May and response to comments (RTC) were issued 17 May. Agency concurrence is requested by 15 Jun.
5. Draft Track 3 Remedial Design (RD)/Remedial Action (RA) Work Plan Update was issued on 11 Jun for agency review. Comments are requested by 16 Jul.

6. Track 2 BLM Area B and MRS-16 Land Use Control Implementation Plan draft final was issued 28 Feb. EPA had no comment. RTCs to comments received from DTSC, BLM and CAG were provided to the regulatory agencies and BLM. Final version is planned to be issued 25 Jun.
7. Draft final BLM Area B Units B/C Prescribed Burn After Action Report was issued 31 May. Comments are requested by 5 Jul.

FFA Schedule – The Army provided updates to the FFA Schedule:

1. No FFA Schedule update at this time.

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

The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled for July 13 at 10am and August 15 at 10am in the Fort Ord BRAC conference room.

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