

# U.S. Army Fort Ord Environmental Cleanup

## Community Outreach Update

### **Long Term Actions Underway:**

1. Fort Ord Annual Report target publication in June.
2. Analysis of 2021 community survey (to be included in a report of 2021-2022 community outreach program).

### **Recent Activities:**

1. Feb 15: Held Technical Review Committee meeting
2. Feb 23: Associated Press published article related to the 4/28/2021 site visit and 8/24 interview
3. Feb 25: Responded to community question on the information line about sounds of explosions, informed them Army had no detonations and referred them to Monterey County Bomb Squad
4. Feb 26: In regards to Feb 23 article, Associated Press published article announcing CA reps have requested a new water study
5. March: Claimed and updated Google My Business Account.
6. March: Extended Online Community Involvement Workshop
7. March: Developed a factsheet for a planned drone flight in the Impact Area (March 31)
8. March: Updated 211 Monterey directory listing
9. March 30: Updated News Section on website with information regarding incidental munitions discovery on transferred former Fort Ord property
10. April: Updated interested party mailing list based on member requests
11. April: Finalized outreach documents for May 14<sup>th</sup> Guided Nature Walk
  - a. Guided Nature Walk route map
  - b. Announcement letter to community members
  - c. One sheet information document
  - d. Driving directions
  - e. Webpage with online sign-up form
12. April 6: Received a call on the hotline from Contra Costa Sheriff's Office about access to MOUT
  - a. Advised to correspond with Monterey Peninsula College
13. April 8: Updated News Section on website with information regarding trespassing incident
14. April 12: Updated Fort Ord Military Munitions Recognition and Safety Training Fact Sheet
15. April 20: Received & corresponded to a comment that was sent via FortOrdCleanup.com
  - a. From Apex Companies – seeking information about property that was transferred to CSUMB. Advised to check records & tools on FortOrdCleanup.com and to check deed.
16. April 20: Mailed information regarding Guided Nature Walk to opt-in lists (1,500)
17. April 22: Emailed information regarding Guided Nature Walk to opt-in lists (2,009)
18. April 22: Made Guided Nature Walk website & online sign-ups live
19. April 25: Conducted Nature Walk Dry Run meeting for attending staff
20. April 25: Guided Nature Walk reached maximum capacity (120)
  - a. Updated website that Nature Walk was full and unpublished online sign-ups
  - b. Corresponded with all interested community members

21. April 30: Participated in Seaside Earth Day – had an information booth
22. May 11: Sent reminder emails to Guided Nature Walk participants

## Upcoming Activities:

1. Tentative: Publication of Public Comment Period for Finding of Suitability to Transfer (FOST) Number 11, Amendment No. 1. (To be published in Monterey Herald and Salinas Californian; and posted in News section of FortOrdCleanup.com.)
2. May 13: Language Day 2022 at the Presidio of Monterey
3. May 14: Guided Nature Walk
4. July 23: Community Involvement Workshop
5. July 26: Technical Review Committee

## Community Comments

BW-2904.2	Comments from Mike Weaver, Fort Ord Community Advisory Group <i>Draft Preliminary Assessment Narrative Report, Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances, Former Fort Ord, California (BW-2904)</i>
OUCTP-0101.4	Comments from Mike Weaver, Fort Ord Community Advisory Group <i>Draft Operable Unit Carbon Tetrachloride Plume Fourth Quarter 2020 through Third Quarter 2021 Groundwater Monitoring Report, Former Fort Ord, California (OUCTP-0101)</i>
OE-0884D.2	Comments from Mike Weaver, Fort Ord Community Advisory Group <i>Addendum to Final Quality Assurance Project Plan, Former Fort Ord California, Volume II Appendix A Munitions and Explosives of Concern Remedial Action, Unit 5 (OE-0884D)</i>
OU2-733A.5	Comments from Mike Weaver, Fort Ord Community Advisory Group <i>Draft Final Operable Unit 2 Remedy Monitoring and Operations and Maintenance, Fourth Quarter 2020 through Third Quarter 2021, Former Fort Ord, California (OU2-733A)</i>

### Fort Ord Impact Area Guided Nature Walk

**Saturday, May 14, 2022**

Join the Army and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) staff on a nature walk through parts of Fort Ord National Monument currently restricted to the public. There are two walking tours available. Sign-Ups are required! This event is limited to the first 100 participants.



The Nature Walk will depart from the Bureau of Land Management Work Center where you must attend a mandatory safety briefing before the walk begins. If adverse weather conditions such as lightning and heavy rain are present, the walk will be canceled. Check the news section of FortOrdCleanup.com for the most up-to-date information. Directions and additional information will be provided once we confirm your reservation.

This activity is not recommended for participants under the age of 8. Participants younger than 18 must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian. Waivers are available in the news section of FortOrdCleanup.com. Dogs or any other pets are not allowed on the Nature Walk.

**SCHEDULE:**  
 9:00 - 9:40 AM Open House  
 9:40 - 10:00 AM Mandatory Safety Briefing  
 10:00 AM Depart for short and long walks

**How to sign-up:** Sign-ups are available online at FortOrdCleanup.com or you can send an email to Outreach@FortOrdCleanup.com or call (831) 393-1284. Please note your name and preferred route. Sign-ups will be made on a first come, first served basis. Sign-ups will end May 9, 2022, or when maximum capacity is reached, whichever occurs first.

For questions, contact the Fort Ord Community Relations Office at Phone: (831) 393-1284 or 1-800-852-9699 www.FortOrdCleanup.com


