

# Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) Program Update at the Fort Ord BRAC Cleanup Team (BCT) Meeting: September 21, 2022

## Recent Actions and Tasks

### Coordination with Jurisdiction/Recurring Meetings

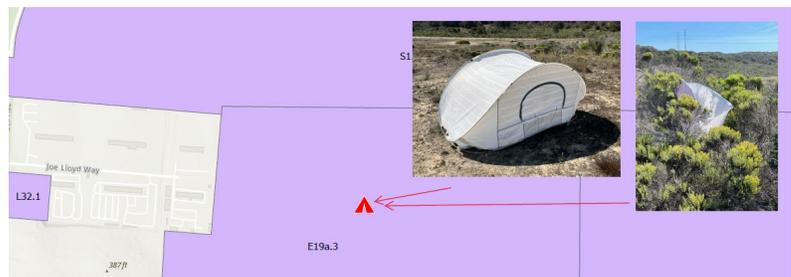
- Quarterly Presentation at the Seaside City Council Meeting: July 21.
- Quarterly LTO Meetings with Police, Permits, Planning and Property Managers: September 7.
- Site inspections: ESCA weekly inspections, Del Rey Oaks weekly inspections, City of Monterey monthly inspections, County of Monterey weekly inspections, California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery (CCCVC) bi-weekly inspections.
- ESCA Refresher training with on-site tours of sites and land use controls: Monterey June 1, Monterey Peninsula College June 30, and Monterey County September 15-16. Special on-site visit to Parker Flats and Laguna Seca moderate to high probability munitions areas with CAL FIRE, Monterey Regional Fire, Army, and Bureau of Land Management. Monterey County training also included Jane Numazu with the Department of Toxic Substances Control.

### Reports

- Received California Department of Toxic Substances (DTSC) comments on the Annual Land Use Control Report by Monterey County. ESCA is working with Monterey County to make future submittals more efficient. The next report covers July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Each jurisdiction is required to send report to Monterey County by 30SEP22 so the County can internally review prior to the 1DEC submittal to DTSC.

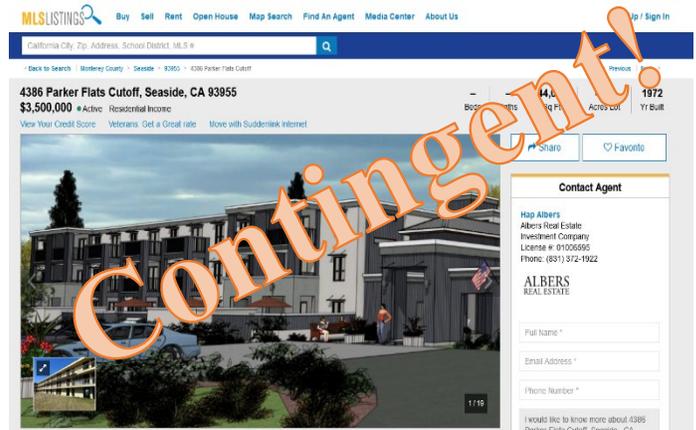
### Trespassing

- Seaside and Del Rey Oaks continue to closely monitor (on-site, off road inspections) the southern, wooded areas of Seaside East (Seaside 1-4 Munitions Response Area [MRA]) which borders Del Rey Oaks since they are locations with a history of homeless encampments. During the September 7 ESCA conference call, Del Rey Oaks noted ATVs were being driven at night. California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB) Police Department removed a tent located in the border of CSUMB and Monterey County at Parcel E19a.3. There were no munitions found nor any soil disturbance. See map and photos at right.



## Potential Property Transfer (Sale) of ESCA Property

- The Nurses Barracks (Glover/Parker Flats Apartments) was recently posted on the Multiple Listing Service (see screen shot at the right). The buildings and grounds were gutted under a 2016 Construction Support Plan. ESCA requirements have been provided to Seaside's Building, Public Works, and Planning Department. ESCA is monitoring this property transaction. As of 5SEP, the sale has been updated to contingent.



## Construction and Ground Disturbing Activities

- Final Programmatic On-Call Construction Support Plan Roadways and Utilities Seaside MRA , November 5, 2019
  - **DELAYED:** General Jim Moore Boulevard Shared Pipeline Bypass Project, Attachment A and Table 1 for September 24, 2021
    - Delays continue due to supply chain issues related to the isolation equipment.
    - Once field work is complete, the after action report will be issued.
- Final On-Call Construction Support Plan Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project – Phase 4 in the Parker Flats MRA, February 16, 2022
  - **FIELDWORK ON HOLD:** With completion of the final Construction Support Plan, Pure Water initiated the bid process. Work start is expected late 2022.
- Final Programmatic Construction Support Plan Addendum for Military Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT) Site. The MOUT site fence construction completion is projected by the end of 2022.
  - **FIELDWORK ON HOLD:** Monterey Peninsula College is working through the permit process for fence installation. Next step is the installation of a fence and perimeter signs.
- Seaside Storm Water Infiltrator Project. This project is still in the early design stage and field work is not expected until at least Spring 2023. In preparation for a Construction Support Plan, data is being gathered to evaluate the soil management options available for this location.

## Administrative and Fieldwork Updates

- Ongoing removal of old ESCA signs, replacement with new signs (no parking fire lane, gate names, property owner designation, as well as cleanup of sign-related debris.
- Held three ESCA refresher training. Classes were for Monterey Peninsula College, Monterey, and Monterey County.
- Monterey County installed gate signs throughout the former Fort Ord.
- Monterey Peninsula College installed several property signs. See photo at right. They are working with ESCA and Cemetery staff to install additional signs. They have also identified obsolete structures and debris piles for future removal. As the project becomes more refined, MPC will work with ESCA to define appropriate type of construction support documentation.



- Review and training specific to the development of the next Annual Land Use Control Report is also underway.

### **Military Munitions Recognition and Safety Training**

- July: 54 individuals completing the training during July 2022. Randazzo led the pack with 44 class participants. Randazzo is the demolition contractor at two non-ESCA, munitions Track 0 sites: Visitor’s Center/Thrift Shop and University Villages. Smith & Enright Landscaping, a vegetation clearance contractor for Pacific Gas and Electric had 9 additional training participants. While on a Friday ESCA patrol, the ESCA team was able to provide the 3R safety stickers to the participants during their clearance activities! Two newly hired staff in Seaside’s Engineering Department also took the training.
- August: 41 individuals completing the training during August 2022. ECI (ice plant removal contractor) led the pack with 9 class participants. Monterey One Water had 5 individuals take the training. Five individuals who will be installing a fence at Eucalyptus and General Jim Moore Boulevard (outside the ESCA boundaries) also took the class. Community tree service, a vegetation clearance contractor for Pacific Gas and Electric had 4 additional training participants. ESCA also encouraged Monterey Regional Fire and CAL FIRE representatives to take the Army’s in-person munitions safety class prior to fire season.

### **Coordination with Jurisdictions/Recurring Meetings**

- Held Quarterly LTO Meetings with Police, Permits, Planning and Property Managers: September 7.
- Provided Quarterly Presentation at July 21 Seaside City Council.
- Continued coordination for closure of the Parker Flats gate. Worked with Monterey County to install gate identification signs and tailor responses to Monterey County dispatch responses for gates, i.e. non-emergency versus emergency responses.

## **Upcoming Actions and Tasks**

### **Field Work**

- Final On-Call Construction Support Plan Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project – Phase 4 in the Parker Flats MRA, February 16, 2022
  - With completion of the Construction Support Plan, this project is currently in the bidding project.



### **Administrative and Field Work**

- Ongoing: removal of old ESCA and Army signs (not much left) and cleanup of sign-related debris and work with jurisdictions on appropriate replacement signs for trails and properties.

- Ongoing: development of group policy purchase of pollution limited liability insurance for ESCA jurisdictions.
- Continue monitoring Eucalyptus Road as a daytime parking area as the “gateway” to the Fort Ord National Monument.
- In October, reinstate offer of ESCA refresher training sessions for California State University Monterey Bay and Del Rey Oaks.
- After all the ESCA refresher training is complete, we’ll encourage everyone to “read their deeds” and back check land use control data.