



Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) Program Update at the Fort Ord BRAC Cleanup Team (BCT) Meeting: May 19, 2023

Recent Actions and Tasks

Coordination with Jurisdiction/Recurring Meetings

- Quarterly LTO meeting with Police, Permits, Planning and Property Managers: March 1, 2023.
- Quarterly Presentation at the Seaside City Council Meeting: April 20, 2023.
- Quarterly LTO meeting with Joint Jurisdictions and Property Managers: May 3, 2023
- **Proposal: Combine Police, Plans, Permits and Property Managers with Joint Jurisdiction meetings for a total of 4 meetings per year (instead of 8) starting 2024. There was full support for change by participants at the joint jurisdiction meeting.**
- 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.
- Participated in Seaside's Earth Day with and information booth emphasizing munitions safety training. Table was next to Army for shared outreach effort.



Annual Land Use Covenant Report

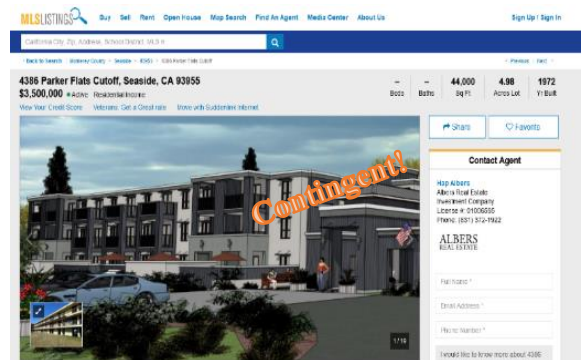
- The Annual Land Use Covenant Report by Monterey County (covering July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022) was submitted December 1, 2022. This year, ESCA will launch the "Read Your Deed" campaign which support the next year's report submission and data collection. Additionally, this will include work with the Monterey County Assessor's Office to correct parcel geometry and ensure property ownership information is correct.
- On April 19, 2023, the Army, Monterey County, and ESCA participated in a meeting to discuss corrections to the Assessor's Geographic Information System data. This process has already kicked-off with ESCA corrections and updates to parcel geometry and ownership for Seaside's ESCA parcels.

Trespassing

- There were no trespassing issues noted on ESCA properties for the period of February 10, 2023, through May 10, 2023.

Potential Property Transfer (Sale) of ESCA Property

- The Nurses Barracks (Glover/Parker Flats Apartments) is posted on the Multiple Listing Service (see screen shot at the right). ESCA is monitoring this property transaction. As of May 10, 2023, the sale is still contingent. The buildings and grounds were gutted under a 2016 Construction Support Plan. In March, ESCA submitted notification of intrusive activities (soil borings). Site workers received munitions safety training and no munitions were found.



Documentation, Construction, and Ground Disturbing Activities

- Final On-Call Construction Support Plan Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project – Phase 4 in the Parker Flats MRA, February 16th, 2022
 - **Field Work Back on Track:** Final contractor selection targeted for July. Work start is forecasted for September/October.
- Final Programmatic Construction Support Plan Addendum for the Military Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT) Site. The MOUT site fence construction completion is projected in 2023.
 - **Field Work on Hold:** Monterey Peninsula College is working through the permit process for fence installation.
- Seaside Storm Water Infiltrator Project. With receipt of regulatory comments on the Construction Support Plan, Seaside is pursuing alternative locations for soil removed from non-residential locations.
- Final On-Call Construction Support Plan was submitted on April 19, 2023. Construction is scheduled for Spring.
- In the Seaside ESCA parcels, five sign posts will be installed to support police surveillance. ESCA submitted a notification for intrusive activity. Installers completed the munitions safety class.
- California State University Monterey Bay will install several signs in their ESCA (S1.3.2) property. Installation will include some small, intrusive activities; however, the cumulative scope of these activities will disturb less than 10 cubic yards of soil in areas that have low probabilities of encountering munitions and explosives of concern. ESCA assisted with the notification requirements related to this intrusive work. See figure at right.



Administrative and Fieldwork Updates

- Review and training (“Read Your Deed” campaign) specific to the development of the next Annual Land Use Covenant Report is also underway.
- The City of Monterey is interested in exploring the process and cost to remove the residential restriction at Parcel E29.1. This 22 acre parcel could be used for future housing requirements. ESCA will assist the City to coordinate future BCT discussions.
- On March 6, 2023, ESCA responded to report of potential munitions item on Blue Line Road. Suspect item was reported by Army. Followed-up with call to Seaside Police Department and subsequent call to Monterey County Bomb Squad. Bomb squad determined that item was not a munitions. Police report and photos of item were forward to the Army to close the loop on incident documentation. No further action required.



Military Munitions Recognition and Safety Training

- February: 125 individuals completed the training during February 2023. The largest groups of participants represented Marina Coast Water District and Monterey County Regional Fire District. For a brief period in February, the web site was unable to issue completion certificates for those successfully completing the class. After the system was fixed, certificates were provided.
- March: 115 individuals completed the training during March 2023. California State University Monterey Bay represents the largest group of participants during this time with 70 individuals completing the training.
- April: 30 individuals completed the training during April 2023. California State University Monterey Bay represents the largest group of participants during this time.
- May: As of May 10, 2023, 9 individuals completed the training.

JOIN US!
Fort Ord/East Garrison Broom Bash
Invasive Plant Eradication Event
Sundays: Jan. 22, Feb. 15, March 19, Apr. 30
9:00AM – 12:00PM
Location To Be Announced



French Broom (*Genista monspessulana*) is a nasty, tenacious, invasive plant. Both the plant and seeds are toxic to animals and other plant life, even native plants.

Pre-registration Required:

1. Pre register by emailing sustainableeastgarrison@gmail.com at least 5 days prior to each event. (No worries if you can not make it.)
2. Monterey County requires all participants to pass online Munitions Training <http://fortordsafety.com>. Submit a copy of your completion certificate to sustainableeastgarrison@gmail.com at least 4 days prior to each event.

Help us to protect and beautify East Garrison, adjacent lands, and Fort Ord National Monument.



Bruce Delgado, City of Marina Mayor and B.M. Botanist, will guide our efforts. Bring your own shovel, water, garden gloves, a hat, and sunscreen. This will be an exciting and educational experience!

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Upcoming Actions and Tasks

Field Work

- See notes above.

Administrative and Field Work

- Ongoing: cleanup of debris and work with jurisdictions on appropriate replacement signs for trails and properties.
- Ongoing: development of group policy purchase of Pollution Legal Liability (PLL) insurance for ESCA jurisdictions.
- Reinitiate offer of ESCA refresher training sessions for Del Rey Oaks.

- After all the ESCA refresher training is complete, encourage jurisdictions to “read their deeds” and back check land use covenant data. ESCA is in the early stages of training program development.
- Continue work with Monterey County assessor’s office to update and correct Geographic Information System errors in their database.
- On June 30, 2023 begin data collection for Annual Land Use Covenant Report.