

Fort Ord Munitions Response Site Security Program Update – 5/8/2026

1. Ongoing and Recent Actions

- Surveillance
 - POMPD and BLM Law Enforcement Impact Area Patrols (daily)
 - BRAC Site Inspections – approximately four times per week
 - Six motion-activated cameras at rotating locations since 5/28/2021
 - The independent camera system was fully operational with five cameras starting 1/3/2025
- Maintenance of Impact Area fence, signs and gates:
 - BLM perimeter fence inspection and repairs (weekly)
 - One large UXO sign to be updated (South Boundary Road near Laguna Seca)
 - Replaced barbed wire fence clips as needed
 - Replaced broken/loose barbed wires on the perimeter fence as needed
- Other Activities
 - The ongoing weekend closure of Parker Flats Gate started on 8/5/2022
 - Supported PG&E planned work and inspections in the Impact Area MRA as needed
 - Supported detonation operations in the Impact Area MRA
 - Shared social media videos with law enforcement
 - The MRS Site Security Annual Meeting was held on 2/26/2026
 - The 2025 MRS Site Security Program Annual Report is in progress

2. Anticipated issues and actions in the near future.

- Deterring and/or citing trespassers into restricted areas with explosive hazards

3. Reports of trespassing or evidence of trespassing in 2026: 7 year to date

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2026 # Reports	2	1	2	2								

4. Reports of incidental munition encounters in 2026: 11 year to date

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2026 # Reports	2	3	1	4	1							

1. Community Education Participants in 2026: 478 participants year to date

- California Wildlife Day: 100 participants
- Marina Earth Day: 170 participants
- Pacific Grove High School: 39 participants
- Seaside Earth Day: 70 participants
- Learning for Life Charter School: 20 participants
- Del Rey Oaks Earth Day: 63 participants

- Military Spouse Orientation: 16 participants

2. Munitions Recognition and Safety Training participants (In-person) in 2026: 43 year to date

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2026 # Reports	9	18	0	16								

Acronyms

BLM: Bureau of Land Management
 BRAC: Base Realignment and Closure
 ESCA: Environmental Services
 Cooperative Agreement
 MRA: Munitions Response Area
 MRS: Munitions Response Site
 UXO: Unexploded Ordnance
 PD: Police Department
 POM: Presidio of Monterey
 FONM: Fort Ord National Monument

2026 Trespass and Evidence of Trespass Incident Summary Table

2026 #	Incident Date	Location	Description	Type: Minor/Major	Type 2: Evidence/Actual	Citation Issued
1	1/13/2026	Watkins Gate Road	January 13, 2026 (Tuesday): BRAC Support received a radio notification from Army contractors working in Unit 15 of the Impact Area Munitions Response Area, indicating two unauthorized individuals walking on Watkins Gate Road. Army contractors escorted the two trespassers back to Eucalyptus Road. POMPD responded to the incident and made contact with the trespassers. POMPD issued citations to both individuals for trespassing on Army property.	Minor	Actual	Yes (2)
2	1/16/2026	Impossible Canyon Road	January 16, 2026 (Friday): BRAC Support received a notification from the independent camera system indicating an ongoing trespass incident involving one individual walking south on Impossible Canyon Road at 15:56 PST. POMPD responded. The individual was recorded once again walking north at the same location at 16:26. POMPD made contact with the individual on Eucalyptus Road and cited the individual for trespassing on Army property.	Minor	Actual	Yes (1)

3	2/15/2026	Impossible Canyon Road	February 15, 2026 (Sunday): BRAC Support received a notification from the independent camera system indicating an ongoing trespass incident involving four individuals walking south on Impossible Canyon Road at 16:44 PST. POMPD was contacted for response, but resources were unavailable. All four individuals were recorded once again walking north at the same location at 18:41. POMPD was contacted for response, but resources were unavailable.	Minor	Actual	No
4	3/1/2026	Impossible Canyon Road	March 1, 2026 (Sunday): BRAC Support received a notification from the independent camera system indicating an ongoing trespass incident involving two individuals running north on Impossible Canyon Road at 12:49 PST. The notification was not seen until later, therefore POMPD was not contacted for response.	Minor	Actual	No
5	3/14/2026	Impossible Canyon Road	March 14, 2026 (Saturday): BRAC Support received a notification from the independent camera system indicating an ongoing trespass incident involving two individuals running south on Impossible Canyon Road at 15:14 PDT. POMPD was contacted for response, but resources were unavailable. Both individuals were recorded again walking north at the same location at 15:57. POMPD was contacted for response, but resources were unavailable.	Minor	Actual	No

6	4/17/2026	Impossible Canyon Road	April 17, 2026 (Friday): BRAC Support received a notification from the independent camera system indicating an ongoing trespass incident involving six individuals walking south on Impossible Canyon Road at 22:28 PDT. The notification was not seen until later, therefore POMPD was not contacted for response.	Minor	Actual	No
7	4/18/2026	Impossible Canyon Road	April 18, 2026 (Saturday): BRAC Support received a notification from the independent camera system indicating an ongoing trespass incident involving three individuals walking south on Impossible Canyon Road at 17:32 PDT. POMPD was contacted for response, but resources were unavailable. All three individuals were recorded once again walking north at the same location at 18:41. The notification was not seen until later, therefore POMPD was not contacted for response.	Minor	Actual	No

Minor Trespassing: Incidents that are unlikely to result in explosive hazard exposure. Example: trespass on roads that have undergone subsurface MEC removal, where there is no evidence of trespasser engaging in ground disturbing activities.

Major Trespassing: Incidents that are more likely to result in explosive hazard exposure. Example: incidents where trespassers engaged in ground disturbing activities in areas that have undergone surface MEC removal.

2026 Munitions Incident Summary Table

2026 #	Incident Date	Location	Description	Munition	Type	Quantity	Disposition
1	1/2/2026	Seaside MRA (MRS-15SEA.3)	City of Seaside staff were observing progress of the Seaside Stormwater Infiltration Repair Project when they observed a possible munition item on the embankment of Eucalyptus Road. Seaside PD responded and contact the Monterey County Bomb Squad for response. Seaside PD established a perimeter while waiting for the bomb squad to arrive. The bomb squad x-rayed the item and determined the item was “an enclosed pipe”; therefore deemed non-munitions. The bomb squad removed the item for disposal.	“enclosed pipe”	Non-Munition	1	Removed by the bomb squad
2	1/7/2026	ESCA Parker Flats MRS Phase I (MRS-50EXP)	A mountain biker was riding on a trail located in Seaside Parcel E18.1.1 when he observed a possible munition item on the ground. They contacted the Fort Ord BRAC Office who forwarded the information to the City of Seaside. The ESCA team drove to the site to investigate further and contacted Seaside PD for response. Seaside PD identified the item as a “rusty car muffler”; deemed non-munitions. The item was removed by Seaside PD.	“rusty car muffler”	Non-Munition	1	Removed by Seaside PD

3	2/9/2026	Ord Community Military Commissary (Parcel F2.3)	Denise Duffy and Associates were monitoring plants near the commissary when they observed a possible munition item on the ground. POMPD responded. The item was identified as "construction/plumbing debris," deemed non-munitions. The item was removed for scrap/recycling.	"construction /plumbing debris"	Non-Munition	1	Removed for scrap/recycling
4	2/12/2026	City of Seaside (Parcel L22)	PG&E was performing demolition activities at the PG&E substation, north of Gigling Road, between 6 th and 7 th Avenue (Parcel L22), when they observed a possible munition item on the ground. They contacted the Fort Ord BRAC Office who forwarded the information to the City of Seaside. Seaside PD and the Monterey County Bomb Squad responded and found a second similar item during observations. The bomb squad x-rayed the items and identified both as "dredging teeth," both deemed non-munitions. The bomb squad removed both items for disposal.	"dredging teeth"	Non-Munition	2	Removed by bomb squad

5	2/24/2026	Impact Area MRA (Unit 21)	BLM Weed Crew was performing work in Unit 21 when they observed suspicious items on the ground. Kemron SUXOS was escorting them and identified the items as Fuze, grenade, hand, practice, M205 series; deemed munitions debris. The items were found during escorting activities, therefore the items were left in place for future removal.	Fuze, grenade, hand, practice, M205 series	MD	90+	Items were left in place
6	3/18/2026	Impact Area MRA (Unit 21)	Terracon was performing work in HA-37 (Unit 21) when they discovered a suspicious item on the ground. They contacted the BRAC Field Manager who went to the item's location and identified it as an expended motor from a rocket, practice, 3.5-inch, M29A2; deemed munitions debris. The item was removed for scrap/recycling.	Rocket, practice, 3.5-inch, M29A2	MD	1	Removed for scrap/recycling
7	4/3/2026	City of Marina(Parcel E2d.3.1)	Shea Homes was performing work in City of Marina (Parcel E2d.3.1) when they discovered a suspicious item on the ground. They sent a photo to the BRAC Field Manager who identified it as a possible munition item. Monterey County Bomb Squad responded. The item was x-rayed and identified as a grenade, hand, training, MK1A1; deemed range-related debris. The item was removed by the bomb squad.	Grenade, hand, training, MK1A1	RRD	1	Removed by the bomb squad

8	4/9/2026	BLM Area B (Sub-Area B-4)	A community member was hiking near the vernal pool north of East Machine Gun Flats Road, when he observed a suspicious item on the ground. He reported the item as an empty pyrotechnic to the Fort Ord BRAC Office and the information was sent to the BRAC Field Manager. The BRAC Field Manager went to the item's location on 4/14 and identified the item as a cartridge, 40mm, parachute, M583 series; deemed munitions debris. The item was removed for scrap/recycling.	Cartridge, 40mm, parachute, M583 series	MD	1	Removed for scrap/recycling
9	4/27/2026	FONM (near vernal pool 101)	Harris/Terracon was performing work in the FONM, south of Watkins Gate Road, east of Hennekens Ranch Road, when they discovered a suspicious item on the ground. They sent a photo to the BRAC Field Manager who identified it as munitions debris based on the photo. The BRAC Field Manager went to the item's location on 4/28 and identified the item as an empty casing from a cartridge, 40mm, parachute, M583 series; deemed munitions debris. The item was removed for scrap/recycling.	Cartridge, 40mm, parachute, M583 series	MD	1	Removed for scrap/recycling

10	4/29/2026	Ord Military Community (Parcel E20b)	Sea Pac Engineering was performing work on the USACE Storm Water Diversion System Project in the Ord Military Community when they discovered a suspicious item on the ground. They sent a photo to the BRAC Field Manager for review, who identified the item from the photo as a “Toy-Pedo (pool toy)”; deemed non-munition. The item was left with Sea Pac Engineering for disposition.	“Toy-Pedo (pool toy)”	Non-Munition	1	The item was left with Sea Pac Engineering for disposition
11	5/3/2026	BLM Area B (Sub-Area B-4)	A recreational user observed a suspicious item on the ground. He sent a photo of the item to the BRAC Field Manager for review. The BRAC Field Manager went to the item’s location on 5/5 and found a second item nearby. Both items were identified as Fuze, grenade, hand, practice, M205 series; deemed munitions debris. The items were removed for scrap/recycling.	Fuze, grenade, hand, practice, M205 series	MD	2	Removed for scrap/recycling

Gray Shaded Numbers = reported in previous meetings

MD: Munitions Debris

UXO: Unexploded Ordnance

DMM: Discarded Military Munitions

RRD: Range-related debris

ISD: Insufficient Data

MPPEH: Material Potentially Presenting an Explosive Hazard