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Mr. William Collins  
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**Re: Site-Wide Remedial Action Completion Report, FORA Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) Remediation Program, Former Fort Ord, Monterey County, California, March 2020**

Dear Mr. Collins,

As you are aware, EPA previously reviewed and approved the following land use control implementation plans/operation and maintenance plans (LUCIPs/OMPs) prepared by the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) for the Army under their Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement, to document remedial action completion at FORA properties:

- *Revised Final Group 1 Land Use Implementation Plan / Operation and Maintenance Plan, Seaside and Parker Flats Phase II Munitions Response Areas, dated December 19, 2019*
- *Final Group 2 Land Use Control Implementation Plan / Operation & Maintenance Plan, California State University Monterey Bay Off-Campus Munitions Response Area, dated September 7, 2018*
- *Final Group 3 Land Use Control Implementation Plan / Operations & Maintenance Plan, Del Rey Oaks/Monterey, Laguna Seca Parking, MOUT Site Munitions Response Areas, dated September 21, 2018*
- *Final Group 4 Land Use Implementation Plan / Operation and Maintenance Plan, Future East Garrison Munitions Response Area, dated February 22, 2019*
- *Final Land Use Controls Implementation Plan / Operations & Maintenance Plan, Interim Action Ranges Munitions Response Area, dated August 8, 2018*

Based on our review of the LUCIPs/OMPs listed above, relevant deeds, supporting documentation, and site inspections, EPA previously determined that all remedial actions had been implemented and completed at these sites and issued site-specific remedial action completion determinations.

Subsequently, and in accordance with the AOC, FORA submitted the *Site-Wide Remedial Action Completion Report, FORA Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) Remediation Program, Former Fort Ord, Monterey County, California, March 2020* (Site-Wide Completion Report) and requested EPA's approval. This submittal included a required statement by Respondent's Project Coordinator and an appropriate professional (professional engineer registered in the State of California) that the Remedial Action has been completed in full satisfaction of the requirements of the AOC. Additionally, the Site-Wide Completion Report included the items described in the AOC, Appendix B Statement of Work, Task 9, "Remedial Action Completion (After Action Report)."

EPA has reviewed FORA's Site-Wide Completion Report and has compared the contents to those required under the AOC. EPA agrees with FORA's determination that remedial action has been completed site-wide in full satisfaction of the requirements of this AOC. The Site-Wide Completion Report was also provided to the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for review and comment. DTSC concurred that remedial action has been completed in a letter dated March 26, 2020.

While remedial action is complete on FORA properties, long-term measures, pursuant to the LUCIPs/OMPs, remain in place. These measures include munitions recognition and safety training, construction support, access management restrictions, land use restrictions, and other long-term management measures like annual reporting. Regulatory oversight of compliance with these measures will continue, and Five-Year Reviews will be conducted by the Army in accordance with the AOC, CERCLA Section 121(c), and the Fort Ord Federal Facilities Agreement.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Maeve Clancy of my staff at (415) 947-4105 or [clancy.maeve@epa.gov](mailto:clancy.maeve@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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