

**Munitions Response Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team
Meeting Minutes
2 February 2018
Fort Ord, CA**

Members/Invited Attendees

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Agenda

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Community Relations	Update	by Melissa Broadston
Property Transfer	Update	by Derek Lieberman
Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA)	Update	by Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA)
Prescribed Burn Program	Update	by David Eisen
Fieldwork	Update	by Natalie Gordon
Site Security Program	Update	by Natalie Gordon
Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Area B & MRS-16	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Report Status	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Schedule	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Action Items	Review	by Chieko Nozaki
Next Meeting	Schedule	by Chieko Nozaki

Community Relations – The Army provided an update on community outreach:

1. Issued press release “Former Fort Ord Burn Season Closes”.
2. Long term actions underway include continuing outreach related to munitions cleanup work in the northern portion of the Fort Ord National Monument, evaluating results of the 2017 community survey and publishing the draft analysis report.
3. Upcoming outreach activities include: hosting the Community Involvement Mobile Workshop (CIW) open house and bus tour (3 Feb); hosting the Technical Review Committee (TRC) (6 Feb); hosting the CIW/Nature Walk inside the Impact Area (TBD); providing cleanup information booths at local Earth Day events and the Sea Otter Classic (April); and providing a cleanup information booth at the Presidio of Monterey Language Day (May).

Property Transfer – The Army provided an update on recent property transfer actions:

1. FOST 6 Parcel L36: No changes from last MR BCT. Parcel will be transferred to FORA as an Economic Development Conveyance (EDC) parcel. A draft memorandum of agreement (MOA) amendment is under review by the Army Environmental Law Division (ELD).
2. FOST 11: Executed by Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (DASA) on 30 Oct. The draft deed was submitted to SPK RE 1 Feb for review.
3. FOST 12: No changes. UC comments on the Parcel S2.1.2 deed, provided 5 Sep 17, have been reviewed at SPK and ELD. SPK-RE submitted to UC on 19 Dec for review and approval.
4. FOSET 1/4/5: No changes. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) draft warranty documents are under review with ELD. Once completed, copies will be provided to EPA and DTSC. CERCLA Warranty for Parcel S1.3.2 (Group 2 CSUMB Off-Campus Munitions Response Area (MRA)) and Group 3 parcels (Del Rey Oaks/Monterey MRA, Laguna Seca Parking MRA, MOUT Site MRA) are pending finalization of their respective Group 2 and Group 3 Land Use Control Implementation Plan (LUCIP)/Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Plan and remedy complete determinations. The Army will begin developing CERCLA warranty documents for parcels associated with ESCA Interim Action Ranges, Group 1 and Group 4 MRAs.
5. Parcel L20.4 (Oil Well Rd) transfer to BLM: No change. Letter of transfer has been drafted and is under review with OGC. Will be executed by DASA.

ESCA Update – FORA provided an update:

1. The Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA) Pure Water Project Phase 2 work in the northern part of Seaside MRA is scheduled to begin in March.
2. FORA is planning to provide an information booth at the 3 Feb CIMW.
3. A right of entry (ROE) was granted to Presidio of Monterey (POM) to conduct non-ground disturbing brush clearance north of POM’s RV storage location on Joe Lloyd Way. Security cameras will be installed.

Prescribed Burn Update – The Army provided an update:

1. Prescribed burn season was closed on 9 Jan and a press release was issued.
2. Prescribed burning for the 2018 season will be focused on MRS-BLM Unit 31 until preparation of BLM Area B Unit A is complete, at which time Unit A will be prioritized for burning. Prescribed burn plans are in place for both units.
3. Betsy Hibbits will assume responsibility for the Prescribed Burn Program.

Fieldwork/BLM Area B & MRS-16 – The Army provided an update on the status of fieldwork:

1. Notice and warning signs, trail closures, and boundary fences are in place around the current work areas in Units B, C, B-3W, B-3E and B-2A.
2. All mastication and manual cutting in Units B, C, and B-3W is complete. Mechanical mastication in Unit B-2A is complete except for the 11-acre buffer along Trail 62.

3. Surface MEC removal is complete in Unit B-2A except for 11 acres comprised of the Trail 62 buffer. Surface MEC removal in Habitat Management Plan (HMP) grids in Units B and B-3W was prioritized ahead of the 1 Feb deadline for sensitive species management. Surface MEC removal in Unit B-3E is in progress.
4. No subsurface MEC removal is currently in progress in BLM Area B.
5. Digital Geophysical Mapping (DGM) is complete in the northeast section of Unit B-3E east of Addington Road; data QC and anomaly map generation are in progress. DGM is in progress in Unit B-2A. DGM accessibility issues related to the density of toro manzanita in Unit B-3E near Trail 56 and East Machine Gun Flats are being evaluated.
6. The BLM Area B website is being maintained with current road and trail closure information. The most recent updates were made 1 Dec.

Fieldwork/Track 3 Update – The Army provided an update on recent and planned fieldwork:

1. Target digs for subsurface removal in the second half of Broadway Bypass are in progress.
2. Impact Area habitat restoration projects and erosion control activities are in progress.
3. Building removal in Unit 5A remains on hold pending identification of an appropriate waste facility for material containing lead-based paint.
4. No detonation operations have been conducted since the last MR BCT.
5. The Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study is expected to resume in February. Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) revisions and new standard operating procedures (SOP) for using the Metal Mapper 2x2 are in place. A plan to effectively complete the field study using high anomaly density grids in Unit 23 has been developed and a Field Work Variance (FWV) was issued.
6. As part of the Vernal Pools Investigation, a final target list for reacquisition is being developed from the preliminary target list of approximately 1100 targets. Metal Mapper 2x2 will be used to identify subsurface targets to minimize the number of intrusive investigations. This work is planned to begin after the Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study is complete. An approach will be developed to perform target excavation while minimizing impacts to the ponds.
7. Unit 23 Risk Reduction work is expected to begin in March-April timeframe.
8. The Units 13/17/20 Field Evaluation Phase 2 field work is in progress. Vegetation cutting on 55,000 linear feet (LF) of initial transects in Unit 17 is complete. Vegetation cutting of select intermediate transects is in progress in an effort to gather additional information. The UXO team is conducting a surface MEC investigation along cut transects. The results of the surface investigation will be evaluated.

MMRP Safety and Site Security – The Army provided a description of recent MEC and trespass incidents, community education events and related training:

1. One evidence of trespass incident was recorded since the last BCT meeting. A number of T-posts on the unit fence around BLM Area B Unit C were damaged/bent.
2. One munitions incident was reported since the last BCT meeting. POM Police Department (PD) were notified of suspected ordnance in military housing where a resident was using a metal detector in an open field. POM PD notified the BRAC office. The USACE Ordnance and Explosives Safety Specialist (OESS) examined the item, which turned out to be a M69 60mm training mortar. The item contained no explosive hazard and was identified as munitions debris and removed from the site for proper disposal.
3. Community Education is currently at zero participants for 2018.
4. The Munitions Recognition and Safety Training current total for 2018 is 35 participants.

BLM Area B & MRS-16 – The Army provided an update:

1. The Army received agency comments on draft Interim LUCIP for BLM Area B and MRS-16. A conference call was held on 5 Dec to address agency questions and BLM provided additional input. Response to comments were provided to the agencies on 9 Jan. Additional comments were received by EPA; awaiting comments from DTSC.

Report Status – The Army provided a review and update. The changes to the previous status report are:

1. MRS-BLM Units 1/2/3 Remedial Action Report (RAR) proposed issue date has been updated on the FFA Schedule with agency approval. The draft RAR will be issued in February.
2. MRS-BLM Unit 28 TM was issued on 29 Nov addressing agency comments on a previous version. DTSC concurrence was received 20 Dec and EPA concurrence was received on 10 Jan.
3. MRS-BLM Unit 25 TM was issued on 12 Jan. EPA comments were received on 25 Jan.
4. The Impact Area MRA Sensitive Fuze-type Munitions Field Study Field Work Variance (FWV) was issued 11 Jan.
5. Track 2 BLM Area B and MRS-16 Land Use Control Implementation Plan draft version was issued 31 Aug; comments have been received from DTSC and EPA. Comment resolution is in progress.

FFA Schedule – The Army provided updates to the FFA Schedule:

1. The revised FFA Schedule with new date for Units 1/2/3 RAR is approved.

Action Items – Due action items were described as complete and pending items were reviewed.

The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled for 7 Mar 2018 at 9am in San Luis Obispo and for 11 Apr 2018 at 10am in the Fort Ord BRAC conference room.

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