

**Munitions Response Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team  
Meeting Minutes  
7 March 2018  
San Luis Obispo, CA**

Members/Invited Attendees

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Agenda

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Community Relations	Update	by Bill Collins
Property Transfer	Update	by Derek Lieberman
Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA)	Update	by Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA)
Prescribed Burn Program	Update	by Betsy Hibbits
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. Recent activities included: hosting the Community Involvement Mobile Workshop (CIW) (3 Feb); hosting the Technical Review Committee (6 Feb); and providing a munitions safety presentation to Chartwell School (13 Feb).
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: providing cleanup information booths at local Earth Day events and the Sea Otter Classic (April); providing a cleanup information booth at Presidio of Monterey (POM) Language Day (May); and hosting the CIW/Nature Walk inside the Impact Area (5 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 reviewed by USACE Sacramento District (SPK) Real Estate (RE) and was forwarded to SPK Office of Counsel (OC) on 20 Feb.
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 May-June and is expected to last all summer. FORA will confirm that the Blue Line will remain open during this work.
2. The ESCA team will coordinate fence repair needed along General Jim Moore Boulevard.

**Prescribed Burn Update** – The Army provided an update:

1. Planning for the 2018 Prescribed Burn Season has begun. Efforts 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.
2. A document is in development to outline burn and explosive safety issues related to prescribed burning. The Army plans to utilize the document when it consults with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS).

**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 vegetation buffer along Trail 62.
3. Surface MEC removal is complete in Unit B-2A except for 11 acres comprising the Trail 62 buffer. Surface MEC removal is in progress in Units B, B-3E and B-3W.
4. Planning for subsurface MEC removal in Unit B-3E (east of Addington Road) is in progress.
5. Digital Geophysical Mapping (DGM) is in progress in Unit B-2A. DGM accessibility issues related to heavy tree density 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 complete.
2. Impact Area habitat restoration projects and erosion control activities are in progress.
3. One detonation operation took place on 8 Feb. Sixty-nine material potentially presenting an explosive hazard (MPPEH) were detonated, of which 14 items were munitions debris, 10 were discarded military munitions (DMM) and 45 items were unexploded ordnance (UXO).
4. The Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study has resumed. Five high anomaly density grids in Unit 23 are being used to effectively complete the field study. The Metal Mapper 2x2 dynamic survey was completed on 22 Feb, data processing and target selection is complete and cued survey is underway.
5. As part of the Vernal Pools Investigation, the final target list for reacquisition has been developed. The Metal Mapper 2x2 will be used to conduct this work once higher priority Metal Mapper 2x2 projects are complete. An approach will be developed to perform target excavation while minimizing impacts to the ponds.
6. Unit 23 Risk Reduction work is expected to begin in March-April timeframe following completion of the Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study.
7. The Units 13/17/20 Field Evaluation Phase 2 field work is on hold due to biological constraints related to Habitat Management Plan (HMP) sensitive species. Vegetation cutting on 55,000 linear feet (LF) of initial transects and 17,000 LF of intermediate transects was completed. Approximately 56,000 LF of transects were inspected by the surface MEC investigation team before the 1 Feb biological constraint deadline. Quality Control (QC) of investigated transects is expected to resume, where possible, following the sensitive species' bloom period. Current data is under evaluation.

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

1. No trespass incidents were recorded since the last BCT meeting.
2. No munitions incidents were reported since the last BCT meeting.
3. Community Education for 2018 – 25 participants.
4. Munitions Recognition and Safety Training for 2018 – 35 participants.
5. MRS Security Committee annual meeting was held on 27 Feb.

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

1. The draft final Interim LUCIP for BLM Area B and MRS-16 was issued.
2. There are some indications of illicit use of closed trails during non-work hours. These are being tracked to the extent possible.
3. In conjunction with BLM and Army input, race courses for the Sea Otter Classic are being adjusted when necessary to avoid closed trails.

**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) was issued 28 Feb. Comments are requested by 3 Apr.
2. MRS-BLM Unit 25 TM was issued on 12 Jan. EPA and DTSC comments were received. Agency comments will be addressed.
3. Track 2 Parker Flats MRA Annual Monitoring Report (2017) for three parcels was issued 27 Feb.
4. Draft BLM Area B Units B/C Prescribed Burn After Action Report was issued 28 Feb.
5. Track 2 BLM Area B and MRS-16 Land Use Control Implementation Plan draft final was issued 28 Feb. Comments are requested by 5 Apr.

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

1. No changes.

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

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

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