

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

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Agenda

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

1. Recent activities included: staffing a cleanup information booth at Presidio of Monterey (POM) Earth Day (4 Apr), California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB) Earth Day (19 Apr), and the Sea Otter Classic (19-21 Apr); and hosting the Community Involvement Mobile Workshop (CIW)/Nature Walk inside the Impact Area (5 May) .
2. Long term actions underway include: continuing outreach related to munitions cleanup work in the northern portion of the Fort Ord National Monument; initiating 2018 burn season announcements and outreach activities (15 Jun); evaluating results of the 2017 community survey; and publishing the draft analysis report.
3. Upcoming outreach activities include: staffing a cleanup information booth at POM Language Day (11 May); beginning burn season announcements (15 Jun); hosting the CIW open house/bus tour (14 Jul); and hosting the Technical Review Committee (17 Jul).

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: No changes. 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. SPK Real Estate (RE) is preparing to submit disposal package to USACE HQ by 1 Jul.
3. FOST 12: SPK-RE submitted disposal package for Parcel E29b.3.1 to USACE HQ on 1 May. The USACE Southwest Division (SWD) required info paper to be revised and resubmitted and new submittal date is 9 May. USACE will ask FORA to re-execute the deed, originally signed in Dec 2016, to avoid a large discrepancy in the FORA and USACE execution dates. For Parcel S2.1.2 to University of California (UC), a meeting between ELD, SPK-RE and UC was held on 10 Apr to resolve minor comments on the deed. Two issues remain to be resolved by ELD. SPK-RE is preparing to submit disposal package to USACE HQ by 1 Jun.
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 (LOT) is under review at OGC to be executed by DASA with an objective of the parcel being transferred by end of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018. LOT revisions/updates may be required due to time lapse.

ESCA Update – FORA provided an update:

1. The Monterey One Water (formerly Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency [MRWPCA]) Pure Water Project Phase 2 work in the northern part of Seaside MRA began on 7 May. Equipment mobilization is in progress. FORA and Monterey One Water will coordinate pipe installation along the Blue Line Road so that one lane will remain open during work.

Prescribed Burn Update – The Army provided an update:

1. Burn team was onsite 7-9 May to discuss burn preparation requirements, including potential modification to Unit A northern containment and initial/additional mastication needs for Unit 31 and for BLM Area B Unit A.
2. Units 31 and A will be prepped simultaneously and mastication is expected to begin 4 Jun.
3. Water tanks are being reconfigured to support both burn units without having to be moved.

4. The first general burn preparation meeting for 2018 is scheduled for 16 May.
5. The 2018 prescribed burn blackout calendar remains in development in conjunction with Laguna Seca. They will be affected predominately by a Unit 31 burn.
6. A document is in development to outline burn and explosive safety issues related to prescribed burning in units within the Impossible Canyon Complex. The Army plans to utilize the document when it consults with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS).
7. BLM is interested in releasing a joint BLM-Army press release ahead of BLM Area B Unit A burn preparation actions.

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. No vegetation removal is happening in BLM Area B at this time. Mechanical and manual mastication is planned to begin 4 Jun.
3. Surface MEC removal is complete in Units B-3E, B-3W and all of Unit B-2A except for 11 acres comprising the Trail 62 buffer. Surface MEC removal continues in Units B and C burned areas.
4. Planning for subsurface MEC removal in Unit B-3E (east of Addington Road) is in progress.
5. Digital Geophysical Mapping (DGM) is complete in Unit B-2A except for the Trail 62 buffer. DGM is in progress in Unit B-3E west of Addington Road. DGM accessibility issues related to heavy tree density in Unit B-3E near Trail 56 and East Machine Gun Flats are still under evaluation.
6. The BLM Area B website is being maintained with current road and trail closure information. The most recent updates were made 25 Apr.

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. A list of approximately 100 Quality Assurance (QA) validation digs was provided by USACE geophysicists. Target excavation for these additional digs will begin 14 May.
2. The Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study MetalMapper 2x2 dynamic and cued surveys are complete and a target dig list was developed. Reacquisition and excavation of target digs are in progress. Three material potentially presenting an explosive hazard (MPPEH) items have been found to-date.
3. The Unit 23 Risk Reduction MetalMapper 2x2 cued survey began 16 Apr on the 1,217 target picks (from EM-61 survey) for potential near-surface large ordnance items. The cued survey is now complete and target digs will begin following completion of the Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study field work.
4. Impact Area habitat restoration projects and erosion control activities are ongoing.
5. Annual Surface Monitoring site walks as part of the MRS Surface Monitoring program are complete. Four MPPEH items were recovered. Data from the site walks will be evaluated and compiled in an Annual Surface Monitoring report and presented to the MR BCT at a future time.
6. One detonation operation was conducted on 2 May for two 40mm HE items found during the Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study. A consolidated demo shot is scheduled for 9 May for 187 MPPEH items.
7. No changes to the Vernal Pools Investigation work. The final target list for reacquisition has been developed and the Metal Mapper 2x2 will be used to conduct this work once higher priority MetalMapper 2x2 projects are complete.
8. 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. Current data from the approximately 56,000 linear feet (LF) of transects that were completed are being evaluated. Additional field work may be conducted once the Habitat Management Plan (HMP) constraints are lifted 1 Jun.
9. Impact Area 100-Foot Buffer markers are being installed along the south and west sides of the Impact Area.

10. A presentation on the status of the Fuel Break QC digs Technical Information Paper (TIP), recommendations, and next steps, was provided to the MR BCT.

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 MR BCT meeting.
2. No munitions incidents were reported since the last MR BCT meeting.
3. Community Education for 2018 – 25 participants.
4. Munitions Recognition and Safety Training for 2018 – 97 participants.

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 and comments were received from agencies, BLM and CAG. Response to comments (RTCs) are in progress.
2. BLM Area B & MRS-16 Annual Land Use Control (LUC) Monitoring Report for 2017 was issued 30 Apr.
3. As BLM has requested, the Army will provide a presentation about LUC requirements and safety procedures during BLM's safety meeting on 4 Jun.

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

1. Four field work variances (FWVs) are in progress:
 - a. Impossible Canyon Road (ICR) reroute and add all of ICR to the permanent fuel break system.
 - b. Minor road adjustment of Evolution Road near South Boundary Road.
 - c. Removal of Steep Road from the permanent fuel break system.
 - d. A FWV for the QAPP Volume II – Appendix A is in progress to clarify rope placement during surface removal procedures.
2. A FWV will be issued for non-burn fuel break supplemental QC additional work.
3. MRS-BLM Units 1/2/3 Remedial Action Report (RAR) was issued 28 Feb. Comments were received from EPA and DTSC and RTCs are in progress.
4. Agency comments were received for the MRS-BLM Unit 25 TM that was issued on 12 Jan. Comments have been addressed and the revised TM was issued 13 Apr. Comments were received from DTSC on 2 May. The Army will accept community comments through 16 May.
5. Track 2 BLM Area B and MRS-16 Land Use Control Implementation Plan draft final was issued 28 Feb. EPA had no comment. RTCs to comments received from DTSC, BLM and CAG are in progress.
6. Track 2 BLM Area B and MRS-16 Annual LUC Monitoring Report (2017) was issued 30 Apr.
7. Draft BLM Area B Units B/C Prescribed Burn After Action Report was issued 28 Feb. Comments have been received from EPA, DTSC and MBARD. RTCs will be provided.
8. The MRS Security Program Annual Report for 2017 was issued 30 Apr.

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

1. Track 3 FFA schedule and BLM Area B and MRS-16 FFA schedule will be updated to identify the schedule for submitting draft Unit 28 RAR and TM for BLM Area B Unit B-3E (east of Addington Road).

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

The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled for 13 June 2018 at 10am and July 13 at 10am in the Fort Ord BRAC conference room.

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