

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

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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 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: providing a burn briefing to California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB)(11 Jun); sending media releases, emails and publishing ads announcing the 2018 burn season (14-15 Jun); sending over 16,000 newsletters announcing the burn season and enrollment for Direct Notification Program; and providing a burn briefing to Del Rey Oaks (25 Jun).
2. Long term actions underway include: continuing outreach related to munitions cleanup work in the northern portion of the Fort Ord National Monument; responding to email and hotline inquiries and direct notification requests for the 2018 burn season – 650 participants enrolled as of 12 Jun; evaluating results of the 2017 community survey and publishing the draft analysis report; and sending Fort Ord Annual Report, which is expected to launch in August to approximately 65,000 homes.
3. Upcoming outreach activities include: hosting the Community Involvement Mobile Workshop (CIW) open house/bus tour (14 Jul) and the Technical Review Committee (17 Jul); leading a bus tour for local senior center (7 Aug); and providing an information booth at the Monterey County Fair (31 Aug).

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. Disposal package for two parcels described by FOST 11 was scheduled for submittal to USACE HQ by 1 Jul; however SPK-OC initiated review on 21 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 the information paper to be revised and resubmitted. Disposal package was submitted to Regional BRAC Coordinator on 5 Jul. 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. Disposal package scheduled for submittal to USACE HQ by 1 Jun is still in progress at SPK-RE with new submittal date expected to be 31 Jul.
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. Monterey One Water (formerly Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency [MRWPCA]) Pure Water Project Phase 2 work in the northern part of Seaside MRA is underway. FORA and Monterey One Water will coordinate pipe installation along Blue Line Road so that one lane will remain open during work.
2. The Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well Site Expansion project planning is in progress.

3. Current FORA outreach efforts are related to Rights of Entry (ROE) onto ESCA properties.
4. Pipes will be placed at Hilby and General Jim Moore Boulevard in conjunction with CalAm water.
5. All projects are being supported by Arcadis for unexploded ordnance (UXO) construction support and munitions recognition and safety training.

Prescribed Burn Update – The Army provided an update:

1. Burn briefings are being provided to various local agencies.
2. Unit 31 is expected to be burn ready by 19 Jul and Unit A is expected to be burn ready 16 Aug.
3. During the most recent burn team site visit, alignment for the temporary fuel break in the north part of Unit A was finalized.
4. Presidio of Monterey Fire Department (POMFD) has started testing live fuel moistures in the burn units. Currently live fuel moistures are low and dead fuel moistures are high.
5. No resources to conduct burns are currently available due to an early start for the California wildfire season.

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

1. The BLM Area B website is being maintained with current road and trail closure information. The most recent updates were made 1 Jun.
2. 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. Boundary fences are being placed around Unit A as vegetation removal continues.
3. Vegetation removal in support of 2018 prescribed burns began on 4 Jun. Two mechanical masticators and four manual cutting teams are working simultaneously on Unit 31 and Unit A containment lines (CL).
4. Surface MEC removal is complete in Units B (except for one grid), B-3E, B-3W and all of Unit B-2A except for 11 acres comprising the Trail 62 buffer. Surface MEC removal continues in Unit C burned areas and has begun on Unit A CLs.
5. Digital Geophysical Mapping (DGM) is complete in Unit B-2A, except for the Trail 62 buffer, and in Unit B-3E except for the area of heavy tree density that includes Toro manzanita near Trail 56. DGM accessibility issues related to this area of heavy tree density in Unit B-3E are still under evaluation. DGM is nearing completion in Unit B-3W at which time it will begin in Unit C.
6. Construction has begun on the temporary fuel break road on the north side of Unit A. Planning for subsurface MEC removal for trails in Units B-2A and B-3E is in progress.

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

1. The Unit 23 Risk Reduction MetalMapper 2x2 cued survey on 1,217 target picks (from EM-61 survey) for potential near-surface large ordnance items is complete except for 56 targets in habitat management plan (HMP) grids. These targets are scheduled to be cued in late July. Target digs will begin following finalization of the target dig list.
2. Additional verification fieldwork will be conducted in specific segments of fuel breaks as part of the Fuel Breaks Quality Control (QC) work. The use of advanced classification is being considered for this work.
3. Impact Area habitat restoration projects and erosion control activities are ongoing.
4. No detonation operations nor scrap sorting have been conducted since the last MR BCT meeting.
5. Target digs for subsurface removal in the second half of Broadway Bypass are complete. A remedial action report (RAR) is in development.
6. The Munitions with Sensitive Fuzes Field Study MetalMapper 2x2 dynamic and cued surveys and excavation of target digs are complete. A study findings report is in development.

7. No changes to the Vernal Pools Investigation work. The final target list for reacquisition is being developed and Metal Mapper 2x2 will be used to conduct this work once higher priority MetalMapper 2x2 projects are complete.
8. Current data from the approximately 56,000 linear feet (LF) of transects that were completed as part of the Units 13/17/20 Field Evaluation Phase 2 field work have been evaluated and a report of findings and recommendations is in development.
9. Annual Surface Monitoring site walks as part of the MRS Surface Monitoring program are complete for 2018 and an Annual Surface Monitoring report is in development.

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

1. Three trespass incidents were recorded since the last MR BCT meeting. One incident involved evidence of trespass into the Impact Area MRA near Impossible Canyon North Gate, one incident involved fence damage to the gate closure at Trail 56 in BLM Area B Unit B-3E, and one incident involved evidence of trespass into Unit B-3W in BLM Area B.
2. One munitions incident was reported since the last MR BCT meeting. It involved the trespass incident into Unit B-3W in BLM Area B. During BLM work in the unit, the UXO escort noticed several holes had been dug and various metallic items (e.g. old beer cans and food tins, and debris) had been removed from the ground and laid out neatly. Evidence suggests that the trespasser used a metal detector to “treasure hunt” in the area. One of the items that was lying next to a hole was an expended smoke pot, considered munitions debris.
3. Community Education for 2018 – 25 participants.
4. Munitions Recognition and Safety Training for 2018 – 130 participants.

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

1. The final Interim LUCIP for BLM Area B and MRS-16 was submitted on 29 Jun.
2. Coordination between the Army and BLM regarding the level of construction support required for various activities is underway.

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

1. Draft final MRS-BLM Units 1/2/3 Remedial Action Report (RAR) was issued 31 May. Comments were received from EPA and DTSC. Response to comments (RTCs) are in progress.
2. Draft MRS-BLM Unit 28 RAR was issued 31 May. Comments were received from EPA and DTSC and RTCs are in progress.
3. The MRS-BLM Unit 25 Technical Memorandum (TM) was issued 13 Apr and the Army accepted community comments through 16 May. Comments were received from DTSC and RTCs were issued 17 May. Agency concurrence was received from DTSC on 6 Jun and EPA on 14 Jun.
4. Draft Track 3 Remedial Design (RD)/Remedial Action (RA) Work Plan Update was issued on 11 Jun for agency review. Comments are requested by 16 Jul. EPA has provided comments.
5. Track 2 BLM Area B and MRS-16 Land Use Control Implementation Plan, final version was issued 29 Jun.
6. Draft final BLM Area B Units B/C Prescribed Burn After Action Report was issued 31 May. Comments were received from EPA. DTSC had no comment. MBARD plans to provide comments.
7. BLM Area B B-3E-NE TM (Revision A) was issued 10 Jul. Agency concurrence is requested by 30 July.
8. Draft Track 1 Plug-In Approval Memorandum BLM Area C is planned for issue for agency review in August.

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

1. Draft update to include updated dates has been approved by agencies. New schedule will be finalized.

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

The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled for August 15 at 10am and September 12 at 10am in the Fort Ord BRAC conference room.

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