

**Munitions Response (MR) Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team
Meeting Minutes
21 August 2019
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 Stan Cook
Fieldwork	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Site Security Program	Update	by Betsy Hibbits
Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Area C	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. Long term actions underway: publish and distribute Annual Report by the end of August to 65,000 addresses; continue outreach related to munitions work in the northern portion of the Fort Ord National Monument; request submission of 2019 Community Survey by 30 September 2019 (deadline extended).
2. Recent activities included: 13 July Community Involvement Mobile Workshop; 16 July Technical Review Committee Meeting; 15 August sent semi-annual letter to local schools offering a munitions safety class/presentation; and 16 August annual munitions safety presentation to York School students and staff.
3. Upcoming activities include: 30 August information booth at the Monterey County Fair; 26 October Fort Ord National Public Lands Day.

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

1. Finding of Suitability to Transfer (FOST) 6 Parcel L36: Draft of a modification to the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for Economic Development Conveyance (EDC) transfers has been submitted to BRAC-D for review. During the ECP recertification process it was determined a new FOST will be developed to reclassify Parcel L36 as Category 1; i.e. parcel has no history of contamination.
2. FOST 11: Parcels L2.3 and L2.4.1. SPK-RE (Boyd) submitted draft deed to FORA, title report is in progress; disposal package scheduled for submittal to USACE HQ. FORA submitted draft EDC MOA amendment to BRAC-D for signature this week. ECP recertification is in progress. No Covenant to Restrict the Use of Property (CRUP) will be prepared as the Army is no longer utilizing them.
3. FOST 12: Parcel E20c.1 to FORA: no change.
4. FOST 12: Parcel S2.1.2. ECP recertification executed by Chief, BRAC-D on 5/10/2019. USACE-HQ submitted comments on deed regarding legal sufficiency. SPK-RE is updating information paper for USACE-HQ approval, then will submit deed package to UC.
5. FOSET 1 & 4: No change.
6. FOSET 5: CERCLA Warranty for Parcel S1.3.2 (Group 2 CSUMB Off-Campus MRA): Revised draft was submitted to ELD on 6/19/2019. ELD revisions were received on 7/20/2019; revise draft was resubmitted to ELD on 7/23/2019. When finished, it will be used as a template.
7. University of California Santa Cruz UC MBEST Center is selling a 50-acre parcel for development. Under the CRUP for groundwater, UC MBEST is required to notify DTSC of the new ownership within 30 days of the sale so DTSC and continue to monitor the land use restrictions.

ESCA Update – FORA provided a written ESCA Program Status Report and an update:

1. In October, CAL AM Water will install pipe along General Jim Moore Boulevard from Coe Avenue to the Aquifer Storage and Recharge site, utilizing an approved construction support plan. Workers will get munitions awareness and safety training (most likely online), and an on-call UXO technician will support the project.
2. For the Pure Water project, biological and other surveys are underway to support the environmental process for the expansion of the project. FORA is monitoring and assisting the process.

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

1. Current trail closure information (as of 3 July 2019) is posted on website and kiosks.
2. Notices and warning signs, trail closure fences, and boundary fences are in place around Unit B. Trails in Unit A are closed. Roads will be subject to temporary closure during subsurface removal operations.
3. DGM in Unit B is complete except for 9 acres that were inaccessible to DGM.

4. All planned subsurface removals have been completed in Units B-3E, B-3E-NE, B-3W, C, and B-2A.
5. Subsurface MEC removal on the 12-ft wide trail footprints has been completed on Unit B-2A (Trails 61/62) and Unit A (Trails 65, 66, 67, 68, 69).
6. Subsurface MEC removal on 12-ft wide trail footprints is in progress on Unit B (Trails 91, 92, 93, and 94).
7. Subsurface removal on additional road segments is in progress.
8. Subsurface removal on segments of an old road in Unit B-2A to support future BLM restoration activities is complete. QC is complete. QA is in progress.
9. BLM installed a new Fort Ord National Monument sign in Unit B-3W along Eucalyptus Road on 20 August. Kemron provided UXO support.

Fieldwork/Track 3 Update - The Army provided an update on the status of fieldwork:

1. Subsurface removal activities on Impossible Canyon Road and Wildcat Ridge Road Fuel Breaks are complete, and fuel break markers will be installed.
2. For the Fuel Breaks Additional Verification project, the Metal Mapper (MM) 2x2 dynamic survey of all 25.5 acres is complete. 437 preliminary cued targets previously identified in 3 road grids will be used to refine the classification process. Cued survey is 77% complete. Intrusive investigation is in progress (5,063 of 8,070 cued targets complete as of 15 August).
3. Range 48 Northern Portion surface and near-surface MEC removal: 71 of 148 grids are complete. DGM will be conducted.
4. A liquid-filled 4.2-inch projectile discovered in Range 48 was x-rayed by Travis Air Force Base EOD and moved to secure storage. When Range 48 work is complete, CBRNE will visit the site and conduct PINS analysis on this and any additional liquid-filled items found. All previous similar items at Fort Ord that required the PINS analysis were confirmed to have been smoke-filled.
5. In place demolition operations were conducted on 9 July, 22 July, and 1 August. A consolidated demolition operation was conducted inside the Impact area on 31 July. Eight off-site shipments of MD have been completed to date.
6. Construction on the Impact Area North Perimeter Fence is complete.

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

1. Trespass Incident Reports
 - a. Last 38 days (7/9/2019 – 8/16/2019): 0
 - b. Year to Date: 24
2. Munitions Incident Reports
 - a. Last 38 days (7/9/2019 – 8/16/2019): 0
 - b. On August 6, 2019 California State Parks informed the BRAC office that a suspected MK2 grenade was discovered at Fort Ord Dunes State Beach on 1/11/2019. The Monterey County Bomb Squad responded and detonated the item. It is unknown if the item was live (containing energetics, or MEC, or not (MD), and confirmation of the identity of the munitions (HE/practice/smoke, etc.) and/or specific model). No injuries were reported. The Army has provided information to State Parks personnel about the reporting process for incidental munitions encounters. The property is Track 1.
 - c. Year to Date: 5
3. Security Incident Reports
 - a. Davey Tree Service, a contractor for PG&E was discovered trimming tree branches under an electrical line in the restricted Impact Area on 8/8/2019. They used the PG&E padlock to enter without coordinating with the BRAC office or attending MEC Safety and

Awareness Training. They were escorted off the property until UXO Escort could be arranged. The work crew subsequently completed the MEC safety training. Davey Tree Service and PG&E management were contacted and reminded of the requirements for entry. BRAC will send a letter to PG&E and set up a meeting with management.

4. City of Monterey under contract with Presidio of Monterey (POM) Directorate of Public Works (DPW) installed a sign along Gigling Road within ESCA property. BRAC met with POM DPW to review land use control requirements in various properties at the former Fort Ord.
5. POM DPW coordinated with BRAC on construction monitoring for a backflow prevention device installation project involving excavation along 8th Avenue within Parcel F2.6. The excavation was completed with USACE support.
6. Community Education Participants– Year to Date: 240
7. Munitions Recognition and Safety Training Participants – Year to Date: 215

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

1. Fieldwork for the MRS-BLM Non-Burn Fuelbreaks TIP is in progress.
2. Draft final Broadway Bypass Fuel Break Remedial Action Report (RAR) was issued. No comments from EPA or DTSC. Army responded to CAG comment. The document is considered final.
3. The second version of MRS-BLM Non-Burn Pond 16 Report addressing agency comments has been issued. Agency review is requested by 5 September.
4. MRS-BLM Non-Burn Structure Removal Report predraft will be sent in early September.
5. MRS-BLM Non-Burn report on subsurface removal in WGBA mortar pits will be provided by the end of August.
6. MRS-BLM Unit 3 Supplemental Report (additional anomaly investigation potential for Stokes mortars and Livens projectors) was provided to agencies. EPA provided comments. DTSC review is underway.
7. The revised version of Ranges 43-48 South Technical Memorandum (TM) was issued on 28 June. EPA and DTSC had no comments, so the document is considered final.
8. Draft MRS-BLM Unit 23 MEC Risk Reduction Activity will be issued by 15 September.
9. Draft MRS-BLM Unit 31 TIP is scheduled to be provided by 4 September. It will document the work done preparing for prescribed burning. The prescribed burn was not conducted.
10. Draft MRS-BLM Units 13, 17 and 20 Field Evaluation Final Report was issued on 16 May. Army will address comments provided by EPA and DTSC.
11. Draft Impact Area MRA Sensitive Fuze-type Munitions Field Study Report was issued on 12 July. EPA indicated it will defer the review to DTSC. DTSC will provide comments by 15 September.
12. BLM Area B B-2A TM was issued on 28 June; EPA provided comments and DTSC will comment.
13. BLM Area B B-2A TIP was issued on 2 July; agency approval to open trails was granted. CAG and EPA provided comments; DTSC had no comment.
14. BLM Area B Vernal Ponds anomaly evaluation/investigation report is planned to be issued in August.
15. The third iteration of BLM Area B Unit C TM incorporating DTSC comments was issued on 14 June. EPA provided concurrence; DTSC will send a letter.
16. BLM Area B Unit B TM will be issued in September.
17. BLM Area B Roads FWV was issued.

FFA Schedule – The FFA schedules are current.

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 September and 9 October.

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