BRAC Cleanup Team Munitions Response (MR) BCT Meeting Minutes April 13, 2006

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Attendees:

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Agenda Items:

<u>Item</u>	Action	Comment
Track 0/1 Plug-in Program	Update	by Derek Lieberman
Property Transfer	Update	by Derek Lieberman
Fieldwork Update / Security Program	Update	by Lyle Shurtleff
MRS-16 Interim Action/ROD	Update	by Kevin Siemann
Track 3 Impact Area RI/FS	Update	By Bruce Wilcer
Track 2 Parker Flats MRA/RI/FS	Update	by Bruce Wilcer
3-Month Document Schedule	Update	by Chieko Nguyen
FFA Schedule	Update	By Chieko Nguyen
Action Items	Update	by Gail Youngblood

Track 0/1 Plug-in Program: Discussion of the status of a portion of the former First Tee area in the vicinity of MRS-24A in parcel E20c.1. The Army described intent to include this area in Group 5 of the Track 1 Plug-in Approval Memo, Groups 1-5. The draft version of this approval memo did not include a Group 5 write-up for regulatory review and comment. Since the Army has not drafted the Group 5 portion of the approval memo yet, Army proposed a portion of Parcel E20c.1, including MRS-24A be excluded from Group 5 due to address EPA concerns about the presence of grenade fragments and grenade safety levers of unknown origin.

Concern was expressed by EPA reference an area to remain in Group 5 adjacent to the proposed excluded area of the parcel depicted by the Army on the southern side between MRS-24A and Eucalyptus Road. The Army noted this area included a utility corridor and was highly disturbed and there is no evidence to suggest it should not remain in Group 5. The Army provided that once the parcel is reconfigured and the Army has drafted the Group 5 write-up, EPA must review and comment on it, like any other draft, prior to its inclusion in the draft final version of the Track 1 Plug-in Approval Memo, Groups 1-5. This may hold-up completion of the memo. EPA described a previous suggestion that the Army remove Group 5 and draft a separate approval memo for this area. DTSC and EPA noted the Group 5 parcels are proposed for residential development and expressed concern that there will be unrestricted access to the excluded portion of the property and specifically that developers working in this area in the future could trespass into the excluded area. DTSC and EPA asked whether it would be appropriate to fence the excluded area. The Army proposed that, as part of the property transfer process, the parcel could be surveyed and any future development could only occur on the transferred portions and the developers could not trespass onto the excluded area. The Army

also noted that, similar to other former training areas at the former Fort Ord, the Group 5 area has always had unrestricted access and does not require a fence.

EPA requested a sample of the language to be used to describe the cutout area in the Track 1 Approval Memorandum for the Group 5 areas.

Property Transfer: FOST 8 has been removed from the update FOST 9 is complete, but finalization of CRUP language with DTSC for some FOST 9 parcels is pending. FOST 10 is in draft awaiting comments on Approval Memorandum and projected to be issued for regulatory agency review on May 12.

FOSL 12 (MOUT) is undergoing additional Army internal review and is expected to be staffed for signature next week. EPA requested Army responses to EPA comments.

FOSET 5 is on hold pending results of ESCA negotiations. EPA will look at a format for the next draft.

OU2 MEC ESD: additional language is required to allow placement of lead soils in the OU2 Fort Ord Landfills, and an updated version of the ESD will be provided to the regulatory agencies the week of April 17. EPA and DTSC will comment by April 26.

Fieldwork Update: A description of planned fieldwork was provided by the contractor. Work (vegetation cutting) in Range 36A and South Boundary Road is scheduled to begin April 17 and 18 respectively. MEC removal in Range 36A is scheduled to begin o/a May 1.

Biological monitoring in the area of the primary containment line for MRS-16 will be conducted during the week of May 8. Vegetation cutting of the containment line will begin the week of May 15 pending approval to proceed with that work. Presidio of Monterey Fire Department determined that the interior road would not be used during and after the prescribed burn, and so the road repair work that was previously discussed will not be conducted.

Site Security Program: The draft annual report was announced as scheduled for release in April. EPA reiterated concern expressed in Feb 2006 MRS Security Program Committee meeting for patrolling of restricted MRS by federal police.

Fieldwork Variances: None

MRS-16 Interim Action: EPA reiterated that the Superfund Division Director Mr. Keith Takata does not support eliminating relocation for a prescribed burn of MRS-16 vegetation as outlined in the January 2006 proposed plan to amend the ROD. On March 31, 2006, Mr. Takata sent a letter to the Army's Mr. Tom Lederle informing him of EPA's position that relocation must remain in place for the MRS-16 burn. The letter further stated that EPA is willing to consider supporting eliminating relocation for future prescribed burns if the MRS-16 burn goes as planned (no escape and smoke controlled). The preliminary format and disposition of public comments to the proposed plan was summarized by the Army in preparation for the Army's drafting of a responsiveness summary. However, EPA reiterated that its letter does not support a ROD amendment to eliminate relocation and therefore EPA believes there is no need for a responsiveness summary. EPA also noted that it will not review or comment on the draft ROD amendment which the Army issued as EPA will not sign it.

Further Army decisions on MRS 16 will be suspended until o/a May 1.

Track 3 Impact Area RI/FS: None

Track 2 (Parker Flats) RI/FS: Regulatory agencies reported receipt of Army's draft responses to comments. Agencies will provide comments to Army's response to comments by May 1. The production of the final RI/FS will be delayed to May 2006 with a Proposed Plan public comment period in July. The Proposed Plan would be mailed to about 1,000 people on the community relations mailing list. EPA requested an example of a MEC response to a MEC find after transfer.

Document Update: Comments on the Draft Final Community Relations Plan were announced as due by May 5.

DTSC assured Army that CARB will comment on Draft MRS-16 Work Plan, if they choose. CARB was provided an opportunity to comment on the prescribed burn air monitoring supplemental report and opted not to comment.

FFA Schedule: EPA requested a FFA schedule for DRO/Track2.

Action Items:

The next meeting was set for May 18 in Petaluma.

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