

**Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC)
Munitions Response (MR) Base Cleanup Team (BCT)
Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2012
Fort Ord, CA**

Members / Invited Attendees

(p): by phone

Gail Youngblood, BRAC Bill Collins, BRAC Rob Robinson, BRAC Melissa Broadston, BRAC Judy Huang, EPA Lyle Shurtleff, BRAC Lewis Mitani, EPA Chris Duymich, BRAC Dave Eisen, USACE Chieko Nozaki, BRAC Kevin Siemann, Shaw Steve Crane, ITSI Clare Gilmore, ITSI (on the phone) Rachel Hess, ITSI (on the phone) Roman Racca, DTSC	Erin Caruso, ITSI Martin Hausladen, EPA Derek Lieberman, Ahtna Stan Cook, FORA John Jackson, USACE Mike Cormier, ITSI Terry Gleason, USACE Chris Goddard, USACE Peter Kelsall, Shaw Chris Prescott, USACE (on the phone)
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Item	Action	Comment
Community Relations	Update	by Melissa Broadston
Property Transfer	Update	by Derek Lieberman
Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) (FORA Update)	Update	by Stan Cook
Fieldwork / Track 3	Update	by Lyle Shurtleff
Prescribed Burn Program	Update	by Chris Duymich
Munitions Response Site (MRS) Security Program	Update	by Lyle Shurtleff
Remaining Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Areas	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Report Status	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Schedule	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Action Items	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Next Meeting	Schedule	by Chieko Nozaki

Community Relations: Army provided an update on community relations actions.

1. Army described a repetitive comment by MIM technical advisors describing draft documents as containing insufficient background information to allow a complete review without referral to previous documents. Army expressed disagreement

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with that comment and requested the regulatory agencies participate in a discussion during a meeting requested by MIM.

2. Alternatives for a meeting with MIM in February were discussed. The option for a meeting before the public bus tour on February 25 was favored by the BCT. A final decision is pending coordination with MIM. BCT requested to be provided a focused agenda from MIM in advance of the meeting.
3. 2011 Community Survey and interviews continue.
4. An open house and bus tour will be held on February 25.
5. Five-Year Review community surveys and interviews are complete. An analysis of the results is in progress.
6. MIM will hold a community meeting at the Marina Library on January 23.
7. The next Community Involvement Workshop (CIW) is scheduled for January 11 with the Technical Review Committee (TRC) on January 12.

Property Transfer: The Army provided an update to current property transfer actions.

1. **Finding of Suitability to Transfer (FOST) 11:** December 2011 – A conference call scheduled for 9 December between BRAC-D, OGC, ELD, Fort Ord BRAC, DTSC, and USEPA ended early without resolution. OGC met with DASA (ESOH). The result is that the FOST is to be revised.
2. **FOST 12:** December 2011 –Further revision is in progress.
3. **Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer (FOSET) 4 deed amendment:** December 2011 – DTSC counsel unexpectedly retired as of 30 Nov. Contact with new DTSC counsel (Bob Elliott) 8 Dec. Follow-up is pending. January 2012 – Status of deed amendment, CRUP amendment, and USACE SPK Office of Counsel concerns discussed with DTSC counsel. Copies of DRO request for variance and executed CRUP amendment were forwarded to DTSC counsel.
4. Members discussed how to proceed with pending property actions if redevelopment agencies, some of whom are signatories to deeds to former Fort Ord property, are dissolved by the State of California. There was no resolution.

ESCA Update: FORA provided an ESCA program update. Some scraping of ground surface may be conducted on Seaside 1 parcel to support Residential Quality Assurance pilot study currently in progress. In the Interim Action Ranges Munitions Response Area (MRA), excavation and sifting of shallow soil in 12 acre area of Range 47 is in progress. Seedbank in the top layer is being preserved for habitat restoration. Habitat restoration plan is being developed in coordination with the Army. Remedial investigation fieldwork in Future East Garrison MRA continues.

Fieldwork Update: The Army provided an update on recent and planned fieldwork.

1. Army provided a proposal as an alternative to the Track 3 RD/RA response to the occurrence of 40mm HE grenade unexploded ordnance concurrently with a high density of subsurface anomalies in the southern portion of Unit 15. Regulatory agencies were requested to consider the proposal in their review of the technical

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- memorandum for the area. The Army has requested agency feedback on the technical memorandum by January 31.
2. DGM reacquisition in Ranges (HAs) 37 and 34 in support of contaminated soil excavation continues.
 3. Technology-assisted surface remediation in the interior of Units 11 and 12 is in progress.
 4. Subsurface removals in fuelbreak roads under the work plan for non-burn areas will be re-initiated in February.
 5. A summary of the status of Material Potentially Presenting Explosives Hazard after detonations of December 13/14, the total number of MEC items found by Unit, their disposition, and the associated range related debris and munitions debris totals by weight were provided.
 6. A description of the successful installation and testing of the Instrument Verification Strip (IVS) was presented. Small industry standard objects (ISOs) were seeded in the test strip. ISOs will be used in quality control seeding program for geophysical mapping in Units 11 and 12 in a manner that at least one seed will be encountered each day.
 7. Fieldwork Variances related to digital geophysical mapping data collection and management procedures for Units 11/12 work were described as coordinated and ready for distribution.
 8. The Army has initiated an effort to evaluate the southern portion of Ranges 43-48 site which will be documented in a technical memorandum under the Track 3 RD/RA.

Prescribed Burn Program: An onsite inspection of the units (7/10) currently planned for prescribed burn in 2012 was conducted by the burn contractor and POM FD in January. Discussions were held with Monterey Airport officials and Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District personnel concerning the planned burn. Draft prescribed burn plan will be issued in February.

Site Security Program: The Army provided the following information concerning the security of restricted MRS:

1. The documentation of the multiple items (6 surface MD items) reported by BLM September 20/21 in Unit 22 was resolved for the purpose of the data management. The discovery of the items was recorded chronologically as two separate incidents using the description entered by the responding ordnance safety technician.
2. Reports of two MEC incidents involving surface MD were provided. One in Unit 16 involving an expended 2.36" practice rocket and the other in BLM-North vicinity Machinegun Flats involving two M20 practice antitank mines.

Presentation of MetalMapper

USACE provided a briefing of the current technical capability and potential applicability of the MetalMapper DGM system.

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Remaining RI/FS Areas: The Army provided an update on the status of investigative work in the area of BLM-North. The fieldwork has been completed and a draft report is in progress.

Report Status: The Army provided a review and update:
MRS-BLM Units 7 and 10 (2012 Units) Prescribed Burn Plan is scheduled for draft distribution on Feb 15 (includes air sampling and analysis plan).
MRS-BLM (2012 Units) Site Specific Work Plan MEC Remedial Action is scheduled for draft distribution on Feb 15.

FFA Schedule: The Army provided a review of the FFA schedule. A draft FFA schedule for Track 2 RI/FS addressing MRS-34, Fritzsche Army Airfield (FAAF) site, was distributed, and reviewed and approved by the BCT.

Action Items: The Army provided a description of action items due and pending. The risk communication training coordination item was withdrawn.

The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled February 24 at 10:00 a.m.; March 16 at the Regional Water Quality Control Board Office, San Luis Obispo at 9:00 a.m.; and April 10 at 10:00 a.m.

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Acronyms:

EPA Environmental Protection Agency
USACE Army Corps of Engineers
ITSI Gilbane Company (formerly Innovative Technical Solutions Inc.)
DTSC California Department of Toxic Substances Control
FORA Fort Ord Reuse Authority
Shaw Environmental and Industrial (E&I)