

**Munitions Response Base Realignment and Closure Cleanup Team
Meeting Minutes
Apr 10, 2012
Fort Ord, CA**

Members / Invited Attendees

Gail Youngblood, BRAC
Rob Robinson, BRAC
Melissa Broadston, BRAC
Judy Huang, EPA
Lyle Shurtleff, BRAC
Lewis Mitani, EPA
Chris Duymich, BRAC
Chieko Nozaki, BRAC
Kevin Siemann, Shaw
Ed Walker, DTSC

Roman Racca, DTSC
Erin Caruso, ITSI
Steve Crane, ITSI(on the phone)
Derek Lieberman, Ahtna
Stan Cook, FORA
Chris Goddard, USACE(on the phone)
Peter Kelsall, Shaw
John Chesnutt, EPA

<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) (FORA Update)	Update	by Stan Cook
Prescribed Burn Program	Update	by Chris Duymich
Munitions Response Site (MRS) Fieldwork / Track 3	Update	by Lyle Shurtleff
MRS Security Program	Update	by Lyle Shurtleff
Remaining Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Areas	Update	by Chieko Nozaki
Frische Army Air Field (FAAF) Remedial Investigation (RI) Status	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. A letter response to Fort Ord Community Advisory Group (FOCAG) comments regarding detection of 37mm projectiles is in preliminary draft and will be coordinated with the agencies and FORA soon.
2. A letter response to the Fort Ord Community Advisory Group (FOCAG) comments to draft prescribed burn plan Units 7, 10 is in formulation. A draft will be coordinated with the agencies. EPA will review the draft response to a letter from a community member regarding California regulations on greenhouse gas cap-and-trade program relative to EPA policy on greenhouse gasses.

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3. EPA received a letter from FOEJN (Fort Ord Environmental Justice Network) concerning a meeting between MIM and the BCT on 25 February. EPA will examine the scope of TAG grant to provide information to FOEJN, and will advise the BCT.
4. EPA described the Technical Assistance Services for Communities (TASC) program that provides independent educational and technical assistance to communities.

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

1. **Finding of Suitability to Transfer (FOST) 11:** March 2012 – DTSC submitted written comment on FOST, including statement of non-concurrence on 9 Mar. ODASA further reviewing FOST and supporting documents with respect to MEC as a hazardous substance.
2. **FOST 12:** Received comments from BRAC-D, ELD and ODASA on 1 Mar. Revised FOST and submitted to ELD for back check 22 Mar.
1. **Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer (FOSET) 4 deed amendment:** March 2012 – DTSC revised CRUP amendment, submitted to USEPA and Army for review. USEPA review completed 8 Mar with no revisions, USACE review completed 19 Mar with significant revisions.
3. **Parcel L20.4 (Oil Well Rd) transfer to BLM:**
No change.

ESCA Update: FORA provided an ESCA program update:

1. The FORA described planned MR fieldwork as 90% complete.
2. The FORA led a discussion of the potential impacts of vegetation cutting and vehicle operation on ESCA field activities during the Army's preparation for and prescribed burning of vegetation on Unit 10.
3. Munitions response work is scheduled to move into the Parker Flats area in Apr-May. Some roadway closures will be required.
4. The FORA is looking at how to best support ESCA property users during future area closures. BRAC community relations office will support ESCA in notifying users of planned areas closures.

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

1. Technology-aided surface removal in the interior of Units 11 is in progress with completion scheduled for the end of the month. DGM is in progress in Unit 12 with an end date of 30 April.
2. Subsurface remediation in fuel break roads (Phase B) under the work plan for non-burn areas is in progress. The mag and dig portion of that work will be temporarily halted in April to allow concentration of resources on completion of surface remediation of Unit 11.
3. Surface remediation in Unit 4 is in progress and is scheduled to be completed in April.

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4. The total UXO items and MD lbs. processed in active units/areas to date was provided.
5. Detonation operations were conducted March 28 of items recently removed from Units 11/4 and fuel breaks grids. The results are pending.
6. An annual report is scheduled for publication in May for surface monitoring under Track 3.
7. Army/BLM/USACE completed a field meeting to discuss options for Units 15, 21, 32, 34 locations subject to comment by BLM during review of draft of the SSWP.

Prescribed Burn Program: The Army provided the following information concerning the Prescribed Burn Program:

1. Draft prescribed burn plan was issued in February (dated February 15) minus the internal security section which is pending. Review period ended March 26.
2. Fuel moisture reading in planned 2012 burn units will begin in April.
3. Cut of vegetation in the “Blueline” adjacent to the planned burn units is pending coordination.
4. The Army requested agency review of prescribed burn related outreach materials planned for publication in mid-June. Prescribed burn will be presented during the April CIW and TRC meetings in April.

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

1. The annual MRS Security Program Committee meeting was held on February 28.
2. A site security program update will be presented to the April CIW and TRC meeting as a poster session.

Remaining RI/FS Areas: The Army provided an update on the status of work and documentation in the MR areas remaining to be completed:

1. Track 1 plug-in approval memorandum addressing the areas of BLM-East/Post-1940 will be issued in April. The proposed Track 1 area will be called BLM Area A.
2. Draft Track 2 remedial investigation report for MRS-34 (FAAF) was published 30 March.

Report Status: The Army provided a review and update:

1. Site assessment in the area of BLM-North (N/S). The draft report was published (2-22-12). Comments received from FOCAG on 26 March. A response is in progress.
2. Comments on the D BLM-North Pre-1940 (N/S Portions) Site Assessment Data Report (#3) received from MIM. A response is in progress.
3. Comments on the D MRS-BLM Units 7 and 10 (2012 Units) Prescribed Burn Plan (includes air sampling and analysis plan) issued February 15 were due March

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26. MIM commented 22 March and MBUAPCD commented on 26 March. Responses are in progress.
4. Comments on the D MRS-BLM Units 6, 7, and 10 SSWP MEC Remedial Action are due March 26. EPA commented on 22 March and BLM commented on 29 March. Responses are in progress.
 5. Comments on the D MRS-BLM Units 15, 21, 32, and 34 Technical Memorandum was due 31 January. EPA commented on 31 January (response complete) and DTSC commented on 28 March, a response is in progress.
 6. Army provided a proposed format for providing a document schedule to BCT on a monthly basis. A decision on the format will be made at a later date.

FFA Schedule: The Army provided a review of the FFA schedule.

Action Items: The Army provided a description of action items due and pending. The next meetings of the MR BCT were scheduled for May 18 at 1:30 p.m., June 22 at 10:00 a.m., and July 17 at 10:00 a.m. at the BRAC Office.

Acronyms:

BLM	Bureau of Land Management	
BRAC-D	Base Realignment and Closure-Department of the Army	
BCT	BRAC Cleanup Team	
CIW	Community Involvement Workshop	
CRUP	Covenant to Restrict the Use of Property	
D	Draft	
DF	Draft Final	
DGM	Digital Geophysical Mapping	
DTSC	California Department of Toxic Substances Control	
ELD	Environmental Law Division	
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency	
ESCA	Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement	
FAAF	Fritzsche Army Air Field	
FFA	Federal Facility Agreement	
FORA	Fort Ord Reuse Authority	
FOCAG	Fort Ord Community Advisory Group	
FOEJN	Fort Ord Environmental Justice Network	
FOST	Finding of Suitability for Transfer	
FOSET	Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer	
ITSI	Gilbane Company (formerly Innovative Technical Solutions Inc.)	
MD	Munitions Debris	
MEC	Munitions and Explosives of Concern	
MIM	Marina in Motion	
MBUAPCD	Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District	MR
Response		Munitions
MRA	Munitions Response Area	
MRS	Munitions Response Site	
N/S	North / South	
ODASA	Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army	
PM	Project Manager	
RI/FS	Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study	

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RD/RA	Remedial Design/Remedial Action
RP	Remediation Program
Shaw	Shaw Corporation, Environmental and Industrial (E&I)
SSWP	Site Specific Work Plan
TASC	Technical Assistance Services for Communities
TRC	Technical Review Committee
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USF&W	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
UXO	Unexploded Ordnance

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