

Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania Military Munitions Response Program



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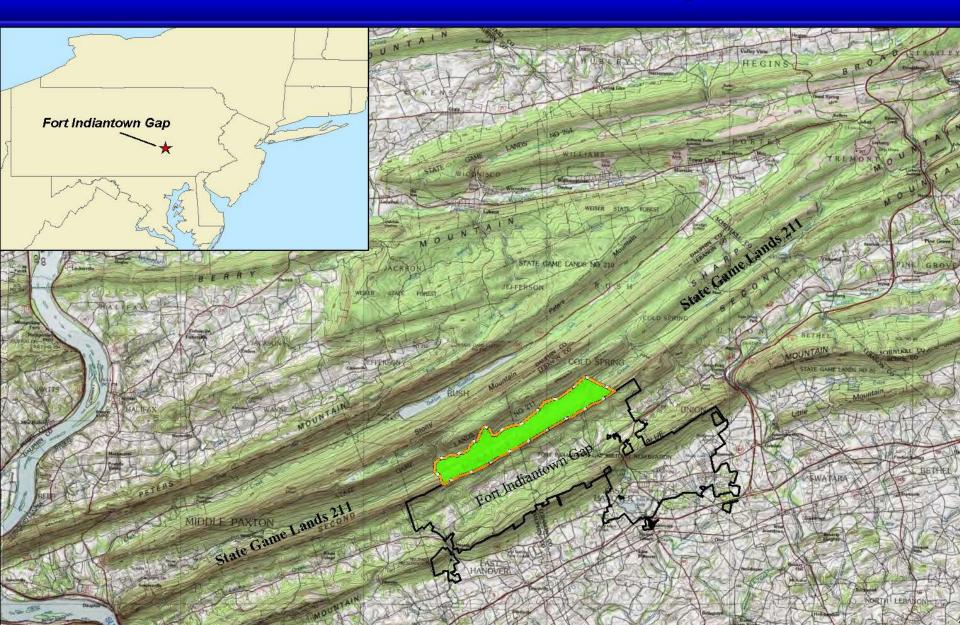
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Overview

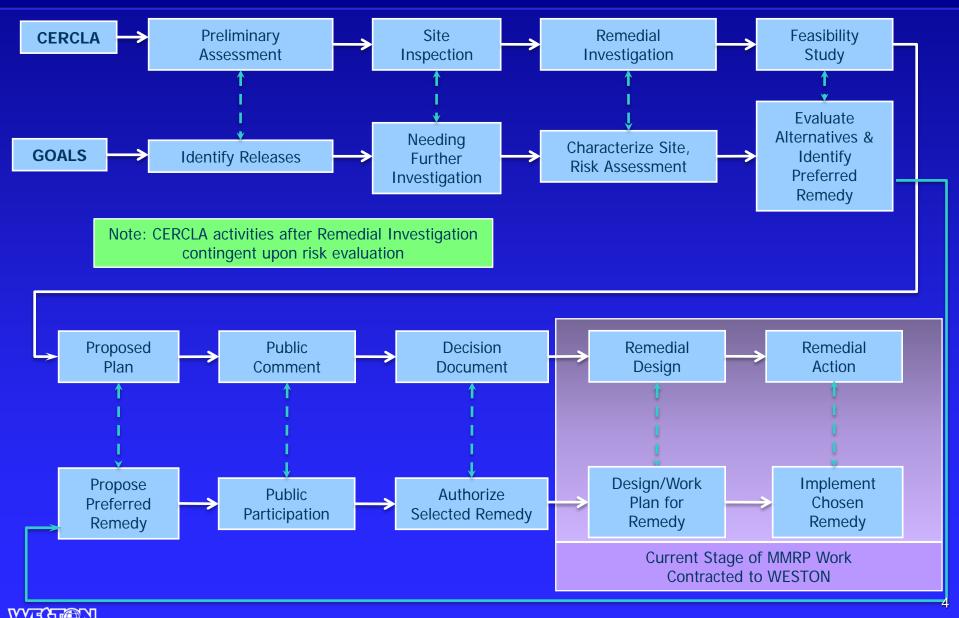
- Summary of Record of Decision
- Remedial Design
- Remedial Action
- Schedule



Ricochet Area Munitions Response Site



Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) Flow Chart



- 2003 Closed, Transferred, and Transferring Inventory
 - Ricochet Area Munitions Response Site deemed Military Munitions Response Program eligible
- 2007 & 2008 Site Inspection
 - 2007 Historical Records Review
 - 2008 Final Site Inspection Report
 - Recommends further assessment of munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) and munitions constituents as part of a remedial investigation



- 2011 Remedial Investigation
 - Field work conducted during Spring 2010
 - Ricochet Area munitions response site footprint delineated to 3,262 acres
 - 1,334 acres of the munitions response site identified as having a high probability for encountering MEC and munitions debris



• 2012 - Feasibility Study

- Identified the preferred alternative
 - Alternative 4 Focused Surface and Subsurface Removal of MEC with Containment and Controls

2012 - Proposed Plan

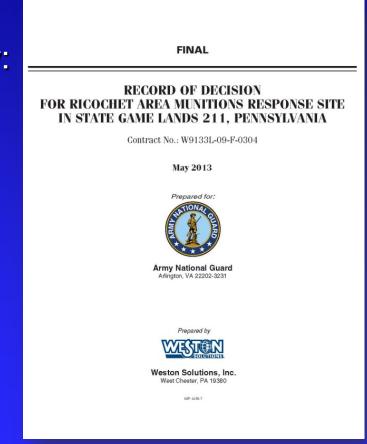
- Public notice/comment period
 7 June to 6 July 2012
- Public Meeting 21 June 2012





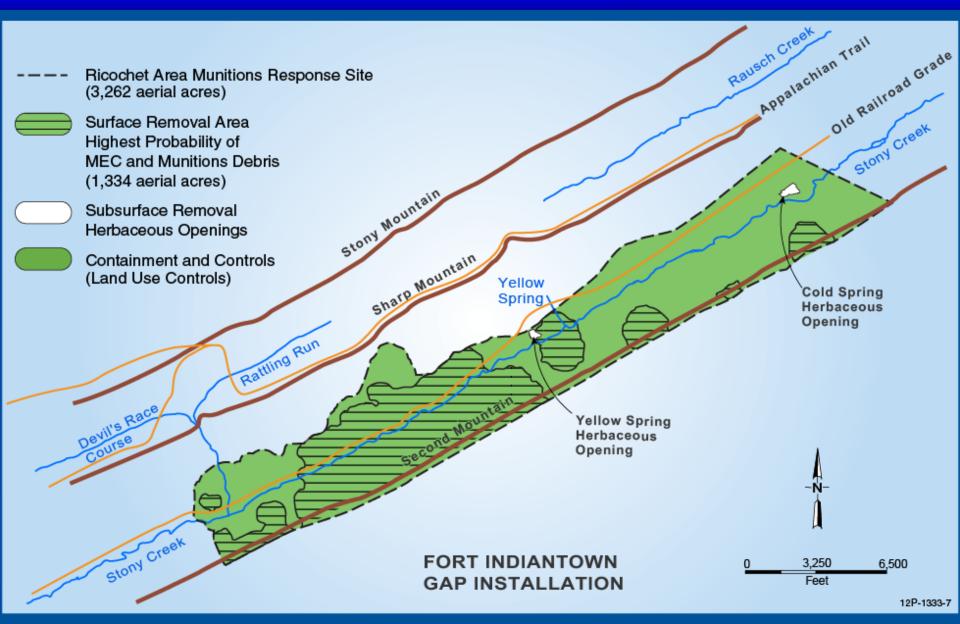
2013 - Record of Decision

- Documents the selected remedy: Alternative 4
 - Focused Surface Removal (1,334 acres)
 - Surface and Subsurface Removal (11 acres)
 - Containment and Controls (Land use controls)





Remedial Design



Remedial Design - Objectives

- Reduce explosive safety hazards and ensure protection of human health, public safety, and the environment
- Minimize exposure to:
 - The public while maintaining access for recreational activities
 - Pennsylvania Game Commission personnel and contractors



Remedial Design - Planning

- Explosives Safety Submission
 - February 2013
- Final Remedial Design Work Plan
 - January 2014
- Final Land Use Controls Implementation Plan
 - January 2014
- Final Updated Community Relations Plan
 - March 2014



Remedial Action

- <u>Surface removal action</u>: Removal of exposed or partially exposed MEC across 1,334 acres of the munitions response site
- <u>Subsurface removal action</u>: Removal of surface and subsurface MEC across 11 acres of the Cold Spring and Yellow Spring Herbaceous Openings
- <u>Containment and Controls</u>: Land use controls



Remedial Action - Survey

- Perform boundary surveys to define each removal action area
- Establish grid system across each removal action area for navigation and quality control



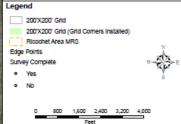


Remedial Action - Survey

Cold Springs Herbaceous Opening

Yellow Springs Herbaceous Opening

> Removal Action Areas and 200' x 200' Grid System Status Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA. Date: 3/19/2014



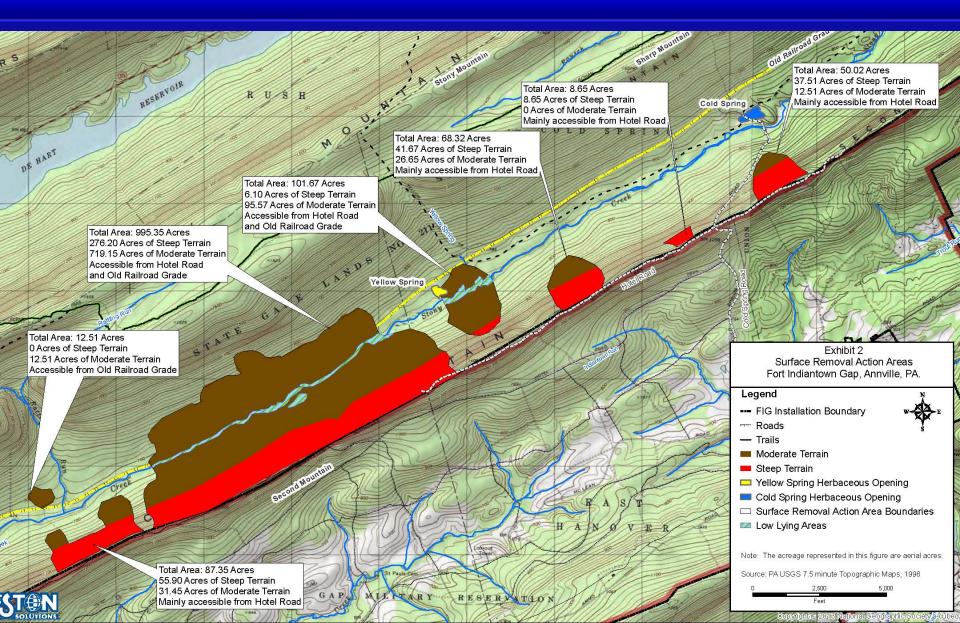
Remedial Action - Surface Removal

- Unexploded ordnance technicians will perform this work
- Utilize magnetometers to support MEC and munitions debris detection
- Complete full coverage surveys
- Remove exposed and partially exposed MEC and munitions debris that are either visible or under leaf litter



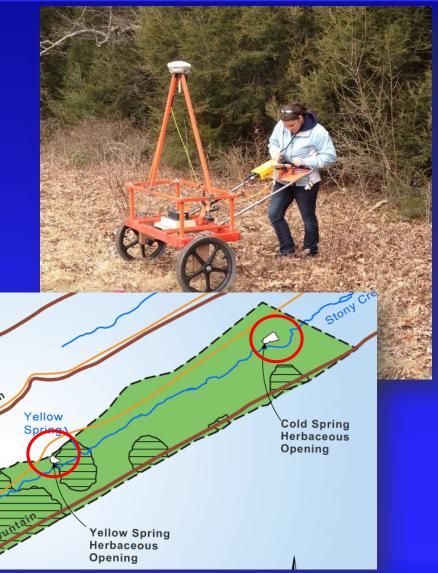


Remedial Action - Surface Removal



Removal Action - Subsurface Removal

- Digital geophysical surveys to detect MEC and munitions debris in the subsurface
- Full coverage surveys have been performed across both herbaceous openings
- Process and analyze geophysical data to select individual anomalies and potential burial pits
- Locate and dig to investigate anomalies





Removal Action - Explosives Safety

- Work will be performed in accordance with the Final Remedial ActionWork
 Plan and Explosives Safety
 Submission
- Exclusion zones will be established during subsurface investigations and MEC demolition
- MEC will be destroyed using engineering controls (sand bags or soil cover)
- Munitions debris will be segregated, managed, and recycled





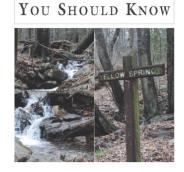
Containment and Controls / Land Use Controls

- Signs
- Brochure/Awareness
 Bulletin
- Awareness Video







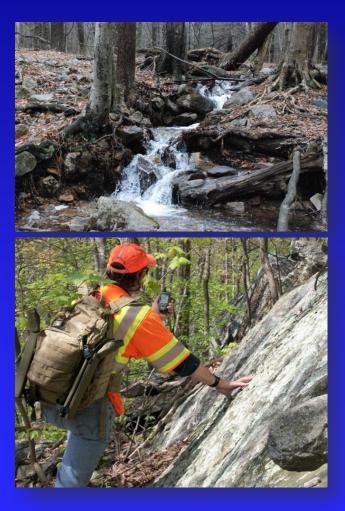






After Action Report

- Project activities and operations
- MEC removal action results
- Quality control activities and results
- Dig sheet data
- MEC disposition/ accountability records

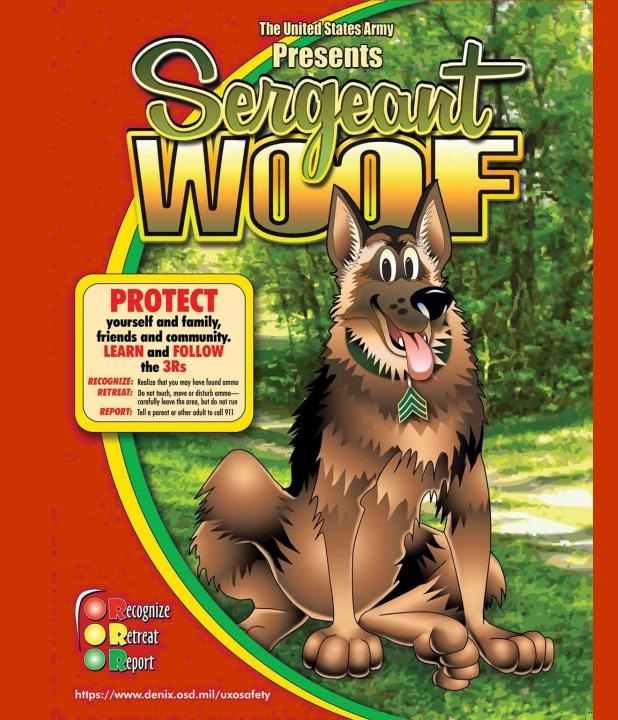




Schedule

- Survey February through April 2014
- Surface Removal Start mid-May 2014 through July 2014
- Subsurface Removal July 2014
- Report Fall 2014





Helpful Information

- Who do I contact with questions and concerns?
 - For more information regarding the Ricochet Area Munitions Response Site contact:

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- What if I see a potential munitions or suspicious item?
 - Follow the 3 R's Recognize, Retreat, Report to 911.
- How is this project going to impact my use of State Game Lands 211?
 - The project will be performed during the work week. Exclusions zones need to be maintained during field work. Schedules will be maintained and coordinated to reduce impacts to hunting and other recreational activities.





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Questions?





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