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01 CAMP CROFT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
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02 PLACE: SC School for the Deaf and the Blind
03 Civitan Center
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05 TIME: 7:10 p.m. to 9:35 p.m.
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06 PRESENTATIONS
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12 George Mullinax
13 Kathy Burrell
13 Gary Hayes
14 Gerald T. Thurmond
14 Sherry Wheeler
15 Clary H. Smith
15 William Littlejohn, Jr.
16 David Mullinax
16 Sanford N. Smith
17 Fritz Hamer
17 Gerard Perry
18 Dot Sloan
18 Harold D. Osborne
19 James B. Thompson
19 Norma Borkowski
20 Darwin J. Wilson
20 W. Brownlee Lowry
21 John E. Keith
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22 ALSO PRESENT: Lieutenant Colonel Tom Julich
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23 Charleston District Commander
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01 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

02 Good evening. Good evening, everybody. I'd
03 like to welcome you to the Second Restoration Advisory
04 Board Meeting. My name is Suzy McKinney. I'm with
05 Zapata Engineering from Charlotte, North Carolina.

06 Before we begin this evening's meeting, I would
07 like to introduce two members who were not present at
08 our last meeting. Dr. Gerald Thurmond and Mr. Fritz
09 Hamer, we welcome you this evening.

10 And I would also like to welcome the Charleston
11 District Engineer, Lieutenant Colonel Julich, who is
12 also here this evening. Would you like to ---

13 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

14 Just a couple of quick comments, and then we'll
15 -- we'll let the Board get started here.

16 I wanted to come to one of the meetings here to
17 let you know I am very interested in what's going on
18 here and all the planning that we're doing for Camp
19 Croft, and hopefully we're going to be getting to some
20 execution here pretty soon.

21 I wanted to assure you that we're pushing the
22 system here to make sure that things can start
23 happening in a time frame that -- that we want them to
24 happen.

25 Wayne keeps me well informed. Wayne Bogan up

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01 here, who is my key person on Camp Croft, keeps me
02 well informed of what's going on. I see Minutes from
03 these meetings and things like that, so I am not out
04 of touch.

05 I will not be attending each of these RAB
06 Meetings, but I will stand for them through Wayne and
07 periodically will come in to make sure things are
08 progressing the way I think they need to be
09 progressing.

10 So, welcome. I'll sit down and now let the
11 meeting proceed.

12 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

13 Earlier this week, all of the Board members
14 received packages that included the revised By-Laws
15 and support documentation describing the ordnance and
16 explosives removal process.

17 We've left on the tables today some maps that
18 will help you go through the presentations later this
19 evening, the summary from the last meeting. We do
20 also have the transcripts here this evening if you
21 would like to look at those. Those transcripts are
22 also in the library.

23 And as far as forwarding the copies of
24 information to the library, what has been sent were
25 Meeting transcripts, the Engineering Evaluation and

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01 Cost Analysis. There are two copies of those
02 documents that are available for each of you to check
03 out for a period of up to two days. A third copy will
04 remain in the library to the public.

05 The Time Critical Removal Action Reports, two
06 copies, again, are available for each of you to check
07 out for a period of two days. One copy is to remain
08 in the library.

09 Several guidance documents, and I have some
10 examples of those up here this evening if you would
11 like to take a look at those, and a Proposed Military
12 Ammunitions Rule, a copy of that is also in the
13 library.

14 As we all agreed last month, I worked with each
15 of you individually to revise and add to the By-Laws,
16 and what I would like to do real briefly is run
17 through those revisions, they're all in italic, and
18 make sure that I've included all of your comments and
19 that you're in agreement with those. These were sent
20 to you the other day.

21 And I -- again, I'm just going to go through
22 briefly what was added and those things that are in
23 italic.

24 On the first page under the Mission Statement
25 several of you had concerns as to liability of serving

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01 on the RAB, and we've added language that reads, "All
02 decisions regarding OE removal activities are solely
03 the authority of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
04 Membership on the RAB does not imply or infer any
05 liability for incidents related to removal
06 activities."

07 On the second page, the comment that several of
08 you had under community members being represented on
09 the Board, we have added landowners to that list.

10 Beginning with the third page, as Wayne
11 described at the last meeting, we will not have an
12 Army co-chair and a community co-chair. We will have
13 a chair of the Board, and Wayne will serve as the Army
14 facilitator, so all reference to the co-chairs have
15 been replaced with community chair and with the Army
16 facilitator.

17 Under Item D, we reserve time at the end of
18 these meetings for public comments. These are public
19 meetings. We will work to address all of the Board's
20 issues and the agenda items early in the meeting and
21 then have an opportunity for public comment and
22 questions at a designated time towards the end of
23 those meetings.

24 Page four, we have added two items at the
25 beginning, F and G, which allows for special

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01 committees to be formed and which allows for special
02 meetings to be called by the Chair.

03 Under I, the last sentence, Replacement members
04 for any RAB member that is unable to fulfill his or
05 her obligations will be elected by a majority vote.

06 We've added Item J, that a member may be removed
07 by a majority vote if it is determined that a member's
08 actions are not serving the best interest of the
09 Board.

10 We've clarified V, that a Chair will be elected
11 annually. The initial election, we will provide names
12 of folks that have expressed interest in serving as
13 the Chair on the ballot for a majority vote. For
14 subsequent elections, we will have a nominating
15 committee.

16 Page number five, a Chair pro tem may be
17 appointed by the Chair if the Chair is going to be
18 unable to attend a meeting. That appointment is valid
19 only for the duration of that meeting.

20 Six, Item B, the meeting agendas will be
21 established by the Chair in coordination with the Army
22 Corps of Engineers.

23 First bullet under C, members are to attend the
24 meetings on time and to remain at the meetings for
25 their entire duration.

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01 And number seven, page seven, Item VII, that we
02 will have a procedures committee which will consist of
03 the Chair and one member of the Board to be appointed
04 and approved by a majority of the vote of the Board to
05 set forth any amendments to these By-Laws.

06 Are there any questions on these revisions? I
07 feel like we've included everyone's comments fully.

08 (NO QUESTIONS)

09 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

10 Would anyone like to set forth the Motion to
11 approve the By-Laws?

12 BY MR. SMITH:

13 Make the Motion.

14 BY MR. BOGAN:

15 Second.

16 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

17 Second.

18 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

19 Open for discussion.

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 We have a Motion that the By-Laws be accepted as
22 presented before you. Is there any discussion about
23 the By-Laws themselves?

24 (NO DISCUSSION)

25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 Seeing no discussion, we need to put this to a
02 vote. The Motion where the By-Laws be accepted as
03 they are, all those in favor say I.

04 (SEVERAL RESPOND)

05 BY MR. BOGAN:

06 Opposed say Nay.

07 (NO RESPONSE)

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 By-Laws accepted as presented to you.

10 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

11 As far as moving forward with the Chair for the
12 Board, based on conversations with each of you, you've
13 had several different comments and input. I've had
14 three individuals indicate an interest in serving as
15 the Chair, and I have had several individuals indicate
16 that they would like to have the facilitator run this
17 meeting and possibly the next meeting, and then vote
18 on a Chair after you all have an opportunity to get to
19 know each other a little better.

20 We're prepared to go either way this evening.

21 If someone would like to set forward a Motion on which
22 the Board would choose?

23 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

24 Do you want a Motion?

25 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

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01 We do, yes.

02 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

03 I move that we have a facilitator for the next
04 two meetings until we get to know each other better.

05 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

06 Second.

07 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

08 Okay. We have a Motion to have the facilitator
09 for the next two meetings. Any discussion?

10 (NO DISCUSSION)

11 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

12 All in favor?

13 (SEVERAL RESPOND)

14 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

15 Opposed?

16 (NO RESPONSE)

17 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

18 Wayne and I will facilitate this meeting and the
19 March meeting, and we'll plan on April on voting on
20 the Chair.

21 Okay. The last item, real briefly, several of
22 you have also expressed an interest on having a tour
23 of the Park to go through and see the operable units
24 and to get a better gauge on where they are in the
25 proximity to the hiking areas and the campgrounds.

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01 We've got two dates in mind that I would like to
02 bring forth and see if any of those dates are better
03 than another. We have Saturday, February 24th as one
04 option and March -- or March 2nd. We anticipate just
05 three or four hours in the morning, Wayne, to go do
06 that?

07 BY MR. BOGAN:

08 The maximum -- since we're going out there to
09 visit, we're just going to try and get a couple of
10 vans where we can take you on that's available. If
11 anyone is interested, if you let me know ahead of
12 time, then I'll take you to each of the areas that
13 we've addressed in the EE/CA at this point and the
14 potential areas for the removal. You won't be able to
15 go in walk in the areas. To do that, I need a little
16 safety submittal to be able to allow you to go in with
17 steel toed shoes, hard hats and that kind of stuff,
18 and I'll take you to the areas to show you what we're
19 looking at and what we've discovered in the areas,
20 what -- what is potentially still in the area to give
21 you an idea and a better mental picture of what we're
22 looking at.

23 BY MR. THOMPSON:

24 How long is that going to take?

25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 Can we have -- I can probably take you to all
02 the different sites within two hours, but we can go up
03 to three hours, if needed. It's just a matter of
04 driving from site to site.

05 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

06 And what I can do, if this will make it easier,
07 is over the course of this next week, call you after
08 you've had a chance to check your schedules to see
09 what date is going to work for best for your -- the
10 majority of you, if that would be okay.

11 Okay. I'll be calling you by the end of this
12 week to gauge which -- which of those two dates would
13 be better.

14 Okay. I'd like to turn the meeting over right
15 now to Wayne to follow up on a couple of questions
16 that were raised during the last meeting. We want to
17 get some information back to you.

18 BY MR. BOGAN:

19 Good evening. For those of you who don't know
20 me, I'm Wayne Bogan, Project Manager for the Corps of
21 Engineers.

22 A couple of questions came up at the last
23 meeting. I want to go through these right quick. One
24 was a definition of clearance to depth. Actually, my
25 presentation, which you've got, if you want to go

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01 through that, it's a more detailed definition of what
02 we're going to as far as clearance to depth in the
03 different areas that have been identified and stated
04 at this point.

05 I've checked on the availability of past
06 military records from Croft. I still haven't found a
07 definite answer to make sure we have everything, yet.
08 I'm still working on that issue.

09 Inventory of ordnance by people who have been
10 using the Park. I don't have any records to this
11 point. I'm still looking for that information. I
12 haven't found any records related to Army work that
13 was conducted in the Park in the 1970s. We're still
14 looking.

15 The next one is liability for RAB members, for
16 you yourselves and for the landowners. Again, I've
17 gotten a brief statement from our Office of Counselor,
18 our lawyers, attorneys. If Lincoln Blake will stand
19 up and -- he's from our Corps office in Charleston, he
20 will give you an update and mention that.

21 BY MR. BLAKE:

22 I'm Lincoln Blake, and this is essentially a
23 repeat of what's in the By-Laws. I think there's one
24 additional statement, but I -- but I will read it so
25 -- since I'm not an attorney, anyway.

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01 Basically, it says, What is the liability of the
02 RAB? It says, the RAB is an Advisory Board that
03 serves as a link between the Corps and the public.
04 The Corps makes decisions on final actions, and the
05 RAB takes no independent action that would incur a
06 liability.

07 However, the Corps cannot guarantee that anyone
08 would be free of litigation. People are free to sue
09 in this country.

10 BY MR. BOGAN:

11 Are there any questions about the liability that
12 you incur? Essentially -- yes, Dr. Lowry?

13 BY DR. LOWRY:

14 The question of liability of a landowner. I'm a
15 landowner. What is my liability in case someone is
16 hurt on my property due to these munitions is my first
17 question? Number two, when the insurance people find
18 out I have all this and won't insure me, what do I do?

19 BY MR. BLAKE:

20 I can't address all of that and one -- part of
21 that was a general -- was a general statement that I
22 can try to address, and I think what we may have to do
23 is we may have to get specific questions written down,
24 and we'll take them back to counsel, and they may not
25 answer -- they may not answer them all in detail, but,

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01 in general, it -- in general statement is what is the
02 liability of the property owners? This depends on
03 many factors, which includes the State law, cite
04 specific conditions, deed provisions and restrictions,
05 type of use of the property, insurance, etcetera, and
06 the bottom line is that certainly the landowners will
07 need to get some advice from their private counsel.

08 We will take your questions. I'm not saying
09 that they will all be answered, so that would be my
10 suggestion then. If there are specific legal issues,
11 if we get them written down and we'll get them over --
12 over to the attorneys.

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 And our attorneys didn't want to answer just a
15 general question. They want specifics. In other
16 words, I couldn't go in and say, "If I'm a landowner,
17 what is my liability?" You know, so -- you know,
18 under what circumstances are you talking about? Are
19 we talking about this year, I was there and somebody
20 came in and got hurt, or talking about where you
21 didn't know and you told somebody to go dig, and you
22 didn't know and you told somebody to go dig, so if
23 you've got specific questions, they want us to be able
24 come back and if you give me those, I'll write those
25 down and go back and get you a written answer to reach

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01 the specific question that you have as far as the
02 landowner's liability.

03 Not the exact answer I wanted for tonight, but
04 that's what they told me I had to give.

05 Any other questions on liability?

06 (NO RESPONSE)

07 BY MR. BOGAN:

08 The next one was a definition of a rocket. We
09 refer to rockets several times in the last meeting in
10 the reports.

11 If I can, this is Greg Bayuga. Greg is our
12 safety technician from Huntsville, and he can give you
13 a better definition of exactly what we're talking
14 about as far as the rockets here in Camp Croft.

15 BY MR. BAYUGA:

16 The rockets that were used in Camp Croft were
17 small shorter powder fired rockets. They were either
18 3.5 inches in diameter or 2.36 inches in diameter, and
19 I have some pictures back here at break if you want to
20 come back and look at them. They're all, you know,
21 two feet long or less, and I said, about 3 1/2 inches
22 or smaller.

23 So at the break, you can come and look and see
24 what the rockets looked like.

25 BY MR. HAMER:

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01 The maximum diameter was three inches, you said?

02 BY MR. BAYUGA:

03 3.5 inches.

04 BY MR. BOGAN:

05 3.5 inches.

06 BY MR. BLAKE:

07 And the purpose of those is, Greg?

08 BY MR. BAYUGA:

09 The general anti-tank weapon.

10 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

11 These were all in the Park, specifically, right?

12 BY MR. BAYUGA:

13 Right. Correct.

14 BY MR. BOGAN:

15 Okay. There's not a rocket issue I think every
16 day of a missile in an aircraft or anything of that
17 nature, or the bazookas that you see in the old World
18 War II movies.

19 Any other questions on the rockets?

20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 BY MR. BOGAN:

22 The next question that was brought up at the
23 last meeting was the daily number of accidents that
24 have occurred. I still haven't had any documentation
25 for other accidents than the two that were mentioned,

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01 and I still don't have any definite records. I'm
02 trying to like newspaper articles, hospital reports or
03 anything from the two that were mentioned at the last
04 meeting.

05 BY MR. BLAKE:

06 Wayne, for some of the people that are out in
07 the audience, you might mention when those two were
08 that we've got documented.

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 what we brought up at the last meeting were --
11 we have some secondhand or firsthand knowledge from
12 some of the RAB members and people that were in the
13 audience last time that there were two incidences
14 right after the Park -- the Army training facility
15 shut down around 1947 where supposedly one person was
16 killed on a flat bed near the peach orchard. Another
17 person was maimed, whether it was an arm or a leg. We
18 don't know for sure.

19 We don't know of any incidents of someone
20 getting hurt since that point. We're trying to track
21 down if anything else has happened since.

22 BY MR. THOMPSON:

23 Clary, was that the late '40s? The late '40s?

24 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

25 Yes, it was in about a year or two years after

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01 they closed the Camp.

02 BY MR. BOGAN:

03 Any other questions on the tasks that I had from
04 the last meeting and tried to get answers for. We
05 have a request from the Board members themselves to
06 make presentations. I believe, Mr. Osborne and Dr.
07 Lowry, if you would at this time -- we can go with Mr.
08 Osborne first, would like to make a presentation, and
09 after you've given your presentation or statement,
10 I'll go into mine as far as the engineering evaluation
11 and what we're doing at this point.

12 BY MR. OSBORNE:

13 I have copies, if anybody wants to see these. I
14 can give them to the Board, and I'll read it as I
15 prepared it, and as we say it within our By-Laws and
16 so forth, this is my personal opinion.

17 "A few weeks ago the Challenger incident had its
18 10th anniversary. That was when NASA overrode the
19 advice from the Theikol Engineers that there was the
20 possibility of failure of the seals if this was
21 launched in the temperature range that they said the
22 seals may not hold. NASA launched the Challenger
23 anyway. It exploded, killing seven people.

24 Croft State Park is in the same category where
25 the danger is the same. The Director of the State

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01 Park wants to override the advice of Engineers that
02 there is a possibility that the ammo buried there is
03 dangerous and would -- and could explode with just
04 minor disturbances of the ground.

05 Also, taking the incident a few weeks ago when a
06 career Master Sergeant of the Army in Bosnia was
07 killed -- was killed when a piece of ammunition was
08 picked up and it exploded in his hand. What if that
09 State -- at Croft State Park this was your child, your
10 wife or other loved one?

11 My personal thought is that, 'Anyone that is
12 killed or maimed, due to negligence on somebody's part
13 to close the Park until cleaned up, should be charged

14 with a crime,' and, 'Anyone in state government that
15 has control over the State Park should be charged as
16 an accessory to the crime.'

17 I stop at what I think the crime would be but
18 will let you and your own mind think of what the crime
19 should be."

20 Thank you.

21 BY MR. BOGAN:

22 Thank you, Mr. Osborne. And Dr. Lowry?

23 BY DR. LOWRY:

24 No, thank you.

25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 Anyone else have anything you want to go over
02 before I start on my presentation?

03 BY MR. SMITH:

04 Wayne, let me ask you a question.

05 BY MR. BOGAN:

06 Yes, sir.

07 BY MR. SMITH:

08 Now Mr. Osborne at the last meeting said
09 something about the National Guard going in and
10 putting land mines and did not take them up, and
11 that's just seems unreasonable -- unreal -- it's not
12 in reality at all they would be placing land mines and
13 not taking them up.

14 I mean, it's -- to me, that breaks the law to
15 me. If you put land mines out that would detonate and
16 then you just leave them there on the property like
17 that.

18 BY MR. BOGAN:

19 Yes, sir.

20 BY MR. SMITH:

21 I mean, I -- I mean, I -- that -- that disturbed
22 me when he said something like that.

23 BY MR. BOGAN:

24 I understand what you're saying. From what I
25 know from being in the Army National Guard, generally,

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01 we don't work with live ammunition, except under
02 specific incidents. I'm not going to rule out that
03 there's the potential that did not happen. I continue
04 to look and see if anything did happen. Usually, what
05 I would think would have happened, there was an old
06 used practice mines. I'm going to consider Mr.
07 Osborne's statement that they used live mines as a
08 potential threat to consider the safety of the public
09 in and around what was the former facility and go
10 forward from that.

11 If anybody knows of any incidents on the Board
12 where they may found mines -- I know we found a
13 practice one about two or three weeks ago on one of
14 the landowner's property. A hunter found one. If you
15 know of specific locations, please let us know.

16 I don't think they would have done that, but I'm
17 going to consider that they did and go after that as a
18 potential threat.

19 BY MR. PERRY:

20 Wayne, I'd like to make a comment, please,
21 concerning Mr. Osborne -- Mr. Osborne's statements
22 that the Parks were overriding the Engineers. The
23 State Park are in communication with the Corps, and
24 they are basing their decisions on the recommendations
25 from the Corps.

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01 They are the experts on this matter. We're not,
02 and we've not overriding anyone.

03 BY MR. OSBORNE:

04 I understand where you're coming from. We're
05 back to the same thing on the Theikol Engineers, NASA
06 overrode them. We killed seven astronauts. What if
07 we kill seven people down at Croft State Park? Who is
08 responsible?

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 Anyone getting killed is unacceptable. Our
11 primary concern is safety, and I hope in my
12 presentation that you will see that we're striving to
13 make sure we get everything done.

14 If you have any questions or if you see the
15 short fall in what we're doing, this is your purpose
16 is to let us know and to give us your advice or
17 comments and to point out those potential areas to us.

18 Look at my presentation, and if you have
19 questions or concerns, please let me know and I'll
20 address those.

21 Can everyone see the presentation without any
22 problem?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

24 BY MR. BOGAN:

25 Okay. Each of the RAB members have a copy of my
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01 presentation. It will make it a little bit easier for
02 you.

03 What I'm going to cover this afternoon or this
04 evening is primarily the activities that have taken
05 place in the Engineering and Evaluation Cost Analysis
06 that was completed and finalized in January.

07 I will briefly go into the Time Critical Removal
08 Actions that have taken place and to the Supplemental
09 Archive Research Report that has just been given to
10 us.

11 I plan on going next month working with the
12 Chairman -- well, I guess we won't have a Chairman --
13 working with the Board members and possibly going into
14 what we have found in the Supplemental Archive
15 Research Report areas that have listed as other
16 potential ordnance areas outside of these -- this
17 EE/CA and address those and bring that information to
18 you.

19 The objective of the EE/CA, the Engineering
20 Evaluation and Cost Analysis, is to determine the
21 appropriate corrective actions in the areas of
22 greatest ordnance and explosive risk to the public.

23 We want to accomplish these goals, sampling and
24 data collection were conducted at 80 representative
25 sites to determine and classify contamination.

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01 We go in and try to sample, try to find what was
02 there and determine how much was there.

03 There were nine areas that were primarily
04 addressed at this point. Six of these areas were from
05 Croft State Park. Three of the areas were on private
06 property.

07 After doing the sampling and evaluation, we
08 found five areas that were recommended for cleanup.

09 I found some bypassed areas where they're listed
10 as no further action and go directly to the areas
11 where they're requesting cleanup or recommending
12 cleanup.

13 BY MR. THOMPSON:

14 Wayne, could we have one more set of those over
15 here, please?

16 BY MR. BOGAN:

17 Yes, sir.

18 The first area we're going to talk about, and as
19 you'll see in your handout, there will be a map and
20 also a map that goes with this. There's an area
21 referred to as OOU1B. OOU stands for Ordnance
22 Operable Units, Item 1B being the specific unit. This
23 one is within Croft State Park. It's consisted of
24 sampling grids 42 - 45 and 81.

25 The current and anticipated future land use

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01 activities include hiking and horseback riding.

02 In the EE/CA we address any current activities
03 and potential activities and try to determine risk
04 associated with those activities to the public.

05 Ordnance located in this area include the small
06 arms ammunition, fragments, 60 millimeter mortars and
07 numerous parts of those. We found 12 60 millimeter
08 mortars, 81 millimeter and various parts.

09 The recommendation for this area is a surface
10 clearance and we're looking at coming in on the
11 adjacent horse trails and doing a clearance of up to
12 two feet or down two feet on the horse trail and
13 within a 10 foot width on either side of the horse
14 trail.

15 To orient you to the area, the one I'm referring
16 to, on the map. This is the main entrance road coming
17 in off of Highway 56 is here. The main Park entrance
18 coming down. On your map you will see a larger
19 square. This was area 1A where we initially found
20 most of the ordnance that was going to be located.

21 Therefore, you see all the blue squares on the
22 screen, the black squares on your handout, where
23 sampling grids were worked on as sample for ordnance.

24 Where we did find ordnance was in this one small
25 area, which has been identified as area 1B. The

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01 larger area overall is called 1A, and 1B and these
02 sampling areas is where they found the 60 and 81
03 millimeter mortars.

04 We know that there's a horse trail that goes up
05 near this area. We've talked to the Park and
06 recommended they close that down. They've already
07 done that. We'll come in and clean this area and go
08 near the horse trails in that area, do a clearance
09 down to two foot and do the 10 foot on each side of
10 the horse trail.

11 The next area we're going to talk about is the
12 Operable Ordnance Unit 2. This unit consisted of
13 sampling grids. The current or anticipated future
14 land use was hiking, horseback riding and camping.
15 Although, currently there is no camping in the area.

16 Ordnance located within these sampling grids
17 included, again, small arms, 60 millimeter mortars and
18 81 millimeter mortars and parts of all of the above.

19 The recommended clearance for this area is we're
20 going to do a surface clearance in the Area 2 and the
21 horse trails adjacent to Area 2. We're going to do a
22 clearance down to two foot, and, again, 10 feet -- 10
23 feet on either side of the horse trails.

24 To orient you to Area 2, you'll notice in the
25 center of Area 2 is Henningston Road. Highway 295

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01 will be to the north. Henningston Road has several
02 sampling grids we'll come in and we'll sample, and we
03 know that this area has ordnance located on it. It's
04 located on the surface. Therefore -- therefore, it's
05 a risk, and we need to come in and remove all that
06 from the surface.

07 BY MR. BLAKE:

08 This is Lincoln Blake. We might note that area
09 is closed now; isn't that correct?

10 BY MR. BOGAN:

11 Right. Make a mention that Area 2 is closed
12 right now. There's no public access to it, and the
13 horse trails around Area 2 have also been closed.

14 BY MR. THOMPSON:

15 Wayne, how long have the horse trails been in
16 existence?

17 BY MR. PERRY:

18 Those particular trails, about two years.

19 BY MR. THOMPSON:

20 Two years.

21 BY MR. BOGAN:

22 Any other questions in Area 2?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

24 BY MR. BOGAN:

25 Area 3 is a residential area. Point out the

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01 samples. Current and anticipated future land use is
02 residential. It's right next to a golf course. All
03 they found was an MK-2 hand grenade and 15 practice
04 hand grenades.

05 Recommended in funding and clear the area for a
06 depth of two feet. If they found what they think is a
07 piece of ordnance below two feet, they will go down to
08 the recommended four foot.

09 Orientation to Area 3, you can see the line, and
10 this Wedgewood Place. The golf course is back off
11 this area here. We did sampling grids and there's one
12 residence located in sampling grid 85.

13 Ordnance Unit 6. Current and anticipated use
14 for ordnance Area 6 is hunting, tree farming and
15 construction. There is currently a landfill on the
16 area and some tree farming. Ordnance located within
17 the sampling grids, small arms, 60 and 81 millimeter
18 mortars and parts, 105 millimeter smoke canisters.

19 Recommended clearance for this area is that they
20 would do a government buyback. Okay. I'll explain
21 that in just a minute why we're doing that.

22 On Area 6, there was also -- we've also done a
23 Time Critical Removal Action. In addition to the
24 EE/CA during the Time Critical Removal Action,
25 ordnance located on the site included 105 millimeter,

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01 a 155 explosive burster -- which is a charge inside
02 the -- like a white phosphorus round that causes the
03 white phosphorus to disburse -- 60 millimeter mortars
04 and right at 7 tons of shrapnel. 7 tons of shrapnel
05 in the middle of the ground is what causing so much
06 problem in trying to clean up the area. It's hard
07 sometimes with a dense area of shrapnel to determine
08 whether you have shrapnel or whether you actually have
09 a piece of ordnance in the ground. If you've got five
10 pieces of metal laying there, and you've just got a
11 metal detector trying to determine what you have, the
12 magnetometer, then you have to dig until you find it,
13 and it's going to take a little time digging and

14 shifting through the soil to try and determine whether
15 they had a piece of ordnance or whether they had a
16 piece of metal.

17 To orient you to Area 6, we have Highway 176,
18 the new bypass here, blue -- see the sampling grids.
19 I hear it's also referred to as Red Hill, and the Time
20 Critical Removal Action, I believe, we cleared down to
21 four foot, 15 acres, right around 15 acres, and we're
22 going to have the buyback option for mostly the rest
23 of the property owner, not necessarily all the rest of
24 it. This allows us to come back and wait, since we
25 don't have technology to allow us to come in and

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01 differentiate between the shrapnel and the mortars or
02 the artillery pieces, we have to wait until either
03 another technology comes around or comes slowly over a
04 couple of years and try to clean up the area.

05 Even though we're doing government buyback, we
06 still have to clean up the area. It just gives us a
07 little bit longer to do it and costs a lot less money
08 to the taxpayer.

09 Area 7, this is within Croft State Park. You
10 have your sampling grids 63 through 80. Current or
11 anticipated land use is hiking, horseback riding,
12 camping and construction.

13 Ordnance located within these grids included
14 small arms, grenade parts, 60 and 81 millimeter
15 mortars and various parts thereof.

16 The recommended clearance of this area is the
17 clearance to depth of two foot. Again, if we're going
18 down to two foot and we determine that there is a
19 piece of ordnance below two foot, and it's something
20 we think we need to clean out on a case by case basis,
21 they'll go down to four foot, depending on what the
22 safety officer on the site determines.

23 We've also done a Time Critical Removal Action
24 on Area 7, and I describe it in a little bit more
25 detail, because this area had the most controversy

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01 about it at the last meeting.

02 During the Time Critical Removal Action last
03 spring we had priority areas and non-priority areas.
04 The priority areas included the campgrounds,
05 playgrounds, picnic areas, fitness trail, comfort
06 station and general store.

07 During the Time Critical, they found four 60
08 millimeter mortars in the priority area.

09 In the non-priority area, which is the hilltop
10 next to the nature trail, they found small arms, an 81
11 millimeter mortar, the 60 millimeter -- 60 millimeter
12 mortars, the rockets and the 105 millimeter
13 projectile.

14 To orient you to the site, it's a little
15 difficult to see on the map. However, located at this
16 arrow is the Park office. This is the main road
17 coming in from Highway 56. You have a campground
18 here, another campground, we have swing sets, picnic
19 areas in this area. You have a fitness trail around
20 this hilltop.

21 All the areas we've looked at, except for the
22 very top of the hilltop, primarily because of
23 vegetation -- to go and look at that area, we'll have
24 to clear the entire area of vegetation just to be able
25 to walk through. Depending on time and money, we

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01 don't have enough money to go through and do that.
02 This area around the fitness trail, the nature
03 trail is closed off, and it has been closed off since
04 we finished the Time Critical Removal Action in that
05 area.

06 The clarification that I've gotten from
07 Huntsville from our safety experts, they were on the
08 site when they did the Time Critical Removal Action,
09 that in areas around the campgrounds, the picnic
10 areas, if they found a piece of ordnance -- when they
11 did the Time Critical Removal Action, they did it -- a
12 surface clearance only. In other words, they weren't
13 supposed to go in and do any digging of anything below
14 the surface. However, they've assured me that in
15 these areas, the priority areas, the campgrounds or
16 around the picnic areas, if there was something that
17 they believe was within one foot of the surface, they
18 removed that piece of item which was within one foot.

19 So they didn't just come in around the
20 campgrounds and around the picnic areas and just sweep
21 the surface and not find anything, so they did go down
22 to one foot, which helps greatly to reduce the risk
23 for anyone in that area. There still is potential of
24 anything below one foot there, and that's why we're
25 looking at coming back and doing this area and doing

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01 that area with the clearance to depth.

02 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

03 Wayne, clarification, please.

04 BY MR. BOGAN:

05 All right.

06 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

07 There's one place you mentioned 60 millimeter
08 high explosive mortars and then the rest of the areas
09 you're saying 60 millimeter mortars and 81 millimeter
10 mortars. But the ones that you -- where they're not
11 specified high explosive, are they dummy practice
12 rounds or do you know?

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 I would think they were all high explosive.
15 There were some practice rounds in there, and that one
16 place where I ---

17 BY MR. DUBEAU:

18 I've got a question, please. There wasn't any
19 dummy rounds.

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 Okay.

22 BY MR. DUBEAU:

23 They're explosive, and I've got another question
24 I want you to answer before you go any further. I was
25 an instructor in '42 at Camp Croft.

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01 BY MR. BOGAN:

02 Yes, sir.

03 BY MR. DUBEAU:

04 Teaching the training of anti-tank ---

05 BY MR. POWELL:

06 Excuse me. Mike, identify yourself for the
07 record, please.

08 BY MR. DUBEAU:

09 I'm Mike Dubeau, Former First Sergeant at Camp
10 Croft in 1942 and an instructor. I've been looking at
11 some missiles here because two of them are missing.
12 There's a 57 millimeter anti-tank gun, grenades, these
13 found were tested at Camp Croft. I gave them

14 instructions in them. I'm not questioning the man
15 from Huntsville, but the record is not clear of what
16 was fired at Camp Croft, and there's stuff out there.
17 The fields are loaded, and I'm not criticizing the
18 Engineers, but they better dig or someone is going to
19 get killed out in them fields. There's even mines
20 that have never been dug up.

21 BY MR. BOGAN:

22 All right, sir. If we can we get with you
23 afterwards where I can sit down and talk with you.

24 BY MR. DUBEAU:

25 I'll be glad to talk to you.

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01 BY MR. BOGAN:

02 And then we'll go through and try and identify
03 any ---

04 BY MR. DUBEAU:

05 I was there. I don't have to look at a book.

06 BY MR. BOGAN:

07 As I mentioned at the last meeting, my primary
08 source of finding information is when somebody lets me
09 know, so we'll -- we'll look at these areas and try to
10 find anything that we've overlooked.

11 Just a quick clarification. I want to give you
12 the definitions of surface clearance. Surface
13 clearance is the physical removal of ordnance detected
14 at the surface, including site reparation and removing
15 of vegetation, followed by visual and limited
16 geophysical investigations using a magnetometer and
17 any ordnance that's located protruding to the surface
18 and has to go down in the ground is removed.

19 The definition of clearance to depth. This
20 alternative involves all activities necessary to
21 detect, recover and dispose of surface and subsurface
22 ordnance and explosives. It involves vegetation
23 clearance, magnetometer investigation, excavation and
24 identification of any potential ordnance items and
25 destruction of the ordnance items.

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01 Government buyback. This is an interim
02 alternative, as I mentioned before. it involves the
03 government purchasing the effected land from the owner
04 with the intent of postponing removal activities,
05 because of our lack of technology in many cases, until
06 some future date. It is applicable for sites at which
07 the current removal costs are too high and the removal
08 costs may be significantly less in the future.

09 BY MR. HAMER:

10 What do you do if you buy it back? What do you
11 do, put a big fence around the whole area or you
12 monitor it with security people 24 hours a day?

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 Initially, we put the fence around it. I don't
15 know if there's a security guard that has to be there,
16 because the area is already opened now. They will
17 come in through -- instead of putting a security
18 guard, they'll have public awareness, posting up signs
19 letting people know why the area is fenced off and
20 what we look to do in the future.

21 Since we don't know the -- I don't know the
22 exact time frame, how long it takes to get back in and
23 clean up the area, we might take a three year or ten
24 year time period to come in and cleanup the rest of
25 the area.

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01 BY MR. PERRY:

02 Wayne, when you're doing a residential area, are
03 you going to be checking under asphalt also?

04 BY MR. BOGAN:

05 Residential?

06 BY MR. PERRY:

07 Like driveways and stuff like that?

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 No. I checked with Greg. He said we won't go
10 underneath the asphalt in an area. You've got a
11 concrete pad that's going to stay there. We wouldn't
12 go and think there's potentially something down
13 underneath somebody's house and go out and pull up the
14 house and remove it. We're not going to be dig up
15 somebody's driveway.

16 BY MR. PERRY:

17 But there is potential that it being under the
18 house, are you just going to leave it there or are you
19 not going to check it at all?

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 I guess that was a bad example to use. Most of
22 what we're finding, as I mentioned before, we're
23 expecting to find within two foot of the surface. To
24 put in a house you have to dig below or deeper than
25 two foot just to put in your foundation, so any

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01 ordnance that would have been under a house would have
02 been found before this point.

03 I don't know of an instance where we would find
04 any that would be still up underneath anybody's house
05 or just ---

06 BY DR. LOWRY:

07 Before ---

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 --- a structure they wouldn't want to move.

10 BY DR. LOWRY:

11 If you pour concrete pad, usually you don't have
12 wire in it or metal, both of those set off
13 magnetometers, so I don't know how you would detect
14 it.

15 BY MR. BOGAN:

16 Right.

17 BY MR. BLAKE:

18 Other than destroying it.

19 BY MR. BOGAN:

20 Next, what we have the schedule we have is the
21 schedule of the straw-man cleaning up these five
22 areas.

23 How we go and clean up these areas, we sat down
24 with the Park and talked with them about cleaning up
25 the areas within the Park, working with the residents

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01 and looked at cleaning up their areas.

02 All right. Our presenting issue is a straw-man.
03 It's kind of like look and go forward. However, we
04 need your input before we can make a final decision or
05 recommendation to the landowners or to the Park.

06 What we're looking at, based on the Risk
07 Analysis under the EE/CA, based on the land use in the
08 areas we've got, we would like to come in first and
09 look at Area 7 and 1B, then time permitting and money,
10 funding approval for the areas, Area 2, 00U3.

11 A39, I'd like to go back and address in a
12 second, and Area 6, being a government buyback and it
13 would be ongoing process, it can be going through the

14 negotiation of the buyback at the same time the
15 removal activities were occurring.

16 We've gone through and done our mission and as
17 in opening statements, we'll push to see how quickly
18 we can get anybody on the site. Getting contracts in
19 place, getting our submittal orders out, getting our
20 safety submittals, work plans submittals and all that,
21 the absolute earliest we could get a contractor on
22 site in any of these areas is going to be the first of
23 March.

24 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

25 First of May.

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01 BY MR. BOGAN:

02 Excuse me. First of May. Thank you, sir.

03 This depends on the requirements of the
04 contractor being extremely responsive to us, that the
05 work plan that they submit in the draft form have a
06 very flaws. I think they're looking at potentially
07 using a contractor who has already worked on Camp
08 Croft during a Time Critical Removal Action, which
09 would be fairly easy for them.

10 And then we also have to get a quick review by
11 our own house people, which we can push, and also get
12 an outside agency, such as the Inspection Safety Board
13 in D.C.

14 We're moving this a lot quicker than we normally
15 ever did on the projects. The Time Critical or normal
16 cleanup -- I think each of you were sent a pre-data or
17 an OE Project Work Flow Sheet. The OE Project tells
18 the daily time frames for each processing to go
19 through of cleaning up the areas, and so we're --
20 we're compressing a lot of our review times. Normal
21 review times, for me to guess, work plan a contractor
22 sent me is 30 days, and we're trying to compress that
23 down to like 7 days.

24 The thing I have to be careful of is I don't
25 want to get somebody here as quickly as possible,

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01 however I can't have a contractor give me a Sunday. I
02 can't put somebody on the site where I'm going to put
03 the contractor's employees at risk. We still have to
04 keep that safety factor and make sure that they're
05 safe on the site, also.

06 BY MR. PERRY:

07 How long does this contract last?

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 If I understand correctly, the way Huntsville
10 has got it set up, is they have -- after we put all
11 the scope of work and everything together and get the
12 contract ready, they have a contract, several
13 contracts that are large. They can put out what they
14 call a delivery order.

15 In other words, when we get the funding from
16 Washington, they can come in and say, Okay. I've got
17 enough money to do Area 7 and Area 1B right now. I
18 don't have enough to put in Area 2, so go ahead and do
19 your work plan in Area 7 and 1B, present it to us, and
20 then as soon as we've got everything cleared, the
21 safety cleared, then we'll put you on site and start
22 work, issue a notice to proceed.

23 We're looking at the cleanup for -- I haven't
24 asked for the exact time frame for Area 2 and 3 yet,
25 because we're trying to look at Area 7 and 1B first.

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01 We can put somebody on site in Area 7 and 1B, we're
02 looking at about two months of actual contractor being
03 on the ground within the Park.

04 Area 2 will take a little bit longer because
05 it's a larger area. Area 1B is about 120 acres. I'll
06 double check. Area 2 is closer to 350 to 400 acres.
07 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

08 Please understand that Wayne was giving an
09 example about Area 7 and 1B if there was money
10 available to do both, then we would give delivery
11 orders to do both. He -- that was just an example if
12 that much money is made available at one time. Okay.
13 He's not saying ---

14 BY MR. OSBORNE:

15 Do we have that money to ---

16 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

17 He's not saying we have that money in hand right
18 now. I want to make sure that there is no
19 misunderstanding there.

20 BY MR. OSBORNE:

21 This still has to go through Washington?

22 BY MR. BOGAN:

23 Yes, sir. This has to be approved. We're
24 sending up the action memorandum hoping to get it
25 signed this week. I was hoping to get it signed last

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01 week, and we didn't get the review comments and
02 everything in to finalize the contract. Once it goes
03 up and we get approval in funding, we have some money
04 that's tagged and set aside right now to go ahead and
05 start work. Once we get approval to go ahead and
06 start working, we can pull that money and do
07 everything we can with the money that we've got, but
08 that includes in Area 7 going in and doing just the
09 campgrounds and the ranger's office first, and then
10 the fitness trail. We'll do that. We've got enough
11 money to do Area 7, 1B and Area 2, and we'll send
12 somebody to start crews doing all three at the same
13 time, but I don't want to strain us to what -- you
14 know, once they give you the money, then what they've
15 given you is what I go forward. If they've given you
16 enough money to work on all the areas at one time,
17 then we'll work on the all the areas at once.

18 BY DR. KEITH:

19 Is there an application for the whole thing or
20 do you just have to apply for the 7 and 1? I'm
21 confused about when you make an application, is there
22 a limited application or is it all inclusive?

23 BY MR. BOGAN:

24 No, sir, when I send the action memorandum
25 forward -- the action memorandum simply summarizes the

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01 EE/CA, and it goes through and asks for approval and
02 for funding for all the sites within EE/CA, which
03 include all these.

04 The problem we run into, the estimate right now
05 for working in all of these areas, and I think we're
06 on \$11 million or \$12 million. I'd have to add it up
07 the specific figure for what's suggested. We've got a
08 good bit less than that set aside to start work, and
09 what will happen is Washington will have to give us
10 the other \$5 million or \$10 million or whatever it
11 takes for us to get started.

12 BY DR. KEITH:

13 How much different -- how much is available

14 right now to get started, just approximately?

15 \$1 million? \$500,000?

16 BY MS. WHEELER:

17 Wayne, I have an article that was in the paper
18 that says \$3.7 Million has been set aside right now.

19 BY DR. KEITH:

20 So you have \$3.7 Million. You couldn't start
21 with that? You don't have to get approval for that?

22 BY MR. BOGAN:

23 What -- what we did is we have what we call a
24 work plan where we request funding each year, and for
25 this year, going into our fiscal year '96, which goes

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01 from October '95 to October '96, there was around \$3.7
02 million dollars for this year approved. Part of that
03 money has already been used to finalize the EE/CA and
04 set up contract and set up the RAB.

05 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

06 Are you sure about the \$3.7?

07 BY MR. BOGAN:

08 I'd have to check.

09 BY MR. BLAKE:

10 I was looking -- this is Lincoln Blake with the
11 Corps of Engineers, and what I was doing was looking
12 at the work plans where we program monies out for
13 future years, and it looked like the contract action
14 is \$2 million in that work plan for the actual
15 removal, not studies and that type of thing.

16 Now the way this program works, it works -- the
17 money is held at headquarters in a pot, and if I
18 understand correctly, I think there's about \$37
19 million in the total pot. And out of that there was
20 \$2 million earmarked for potential removal at Croft.

21 Now, as Wayne said, this EE/CA Action Memorandum
22 will have to go forward, then they'll have to approve
23 money. See, it's a centrally managed pot, and all
24 we're asking for is we think this is what needs to be
25 done, and this how much money it is, and once we

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01 negotiate each contract or each portion of a contract,
02 they'll send the money down. You know, first they'll
03 approve us -- approve us negotiating that portion of
04 the contract, and once we've negotiated, they'll send
05 the money down.

06 BY DR. KEITH:

07 So then ---

08 BY MR. BLAKE:

09 And, obviously, we're competing with ---

10 BY DR. KEITH:

11 Other people.

12 BY MR. BLAKE:

13 --- other people and other parts of the country
14 and -- and I don't know all the details of it. I just
15 know it's a centrally managed pot, and it has not been
16 -- the money does not get transferred down to the
17 district to do the work ---

18 BY DR. KEITH:

19 I guess my question is ---

20 BY MR. BLAKE:

21 --- until ---

22 BY DR. KEITH:

23 --- how much is available if they start digging
24 tomorrow? Do you have any money at all, or do you
25 have to wait from Washington to get anything to start?

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01 I'm confused about, you know, somebody said it was for
02 money and somebody said it isn't, and I don't -- I
03 don't know what is going on.

04 BY MR. BLAKE:

05 There's money in the central pot in Washington
06 for ordnance removal.

07 BY DR. KEITH:

08 Yeah, I understand that.

09 BY MR. BLAKE:

10 But, no -- yes, sir, you're right. We have in
11 house work type monies, the money it costs for me to
12 work every day, but the contract money doesn't come
13 down until after they approve you going for a contract
14 and negotiate the contract and you get the final
15 amount, then you go to headquarters and they'll pay
16 it.

17 BY DR. KEITH:

18 That's right.

19 BY MR. BLAKE:

20 But they, obviously, they have to approve you
21 going out for negotiation of the contract and be that
22 for Operating Unit 2 or 3, and that's what we're going
23 for. It's -- it's kind of like appropriation process.
24 You know, they approve the projects, and then they
25 have to fund, and we have a very similar type

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01 situation here.

02 BY MR. THOMPSON:

03 Wayne, how long have you known the seriousness
04 of Area 1 and 7?

05 BY MR. BOGAN:

06 We started on the EE/CA a little over a year
07 ago. It wasn't until probably this past summer at the
08 Time Critical Removal Actions when knew how serious
09 Area 7 was, and it was April of last year when we were
10 doing that, and we were doing EE/CA sampling at that
11 Area 7 to further expand our definition of what knew
12 in the area.

13 One of the problems we had as far as requesting
14 funding of these was trying to get money tagged ahead
15 of time, and so for me to request money for -- for our
16 fiscal year '97, this October, I'd have to put money
17 and set aside the work plan right now in this time
18 frame, and so the money going into the work plan is
19 already set aside before we even started doing Time
20 Critical Removal Actions for Area 7. Now we started
21 -- we've already been letting headquarters know,
22 Washington and our Division office know that the Area
23 7 and Area 6 and 1B are three areas that we've got to
24 look at.

25 Even though we've let them know ahead of time,

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01 they still won't let us come down and try and grab
02 some of that money until we've got the EE/CA
03 finalized, which we did in January, the Action
04 Memorandum signed, and they said, Okay. You've got
05 the contract negotiated.

06 The thing we've done ahead of the game is
07 normally we would come in and finish the EE/CA, we
08 would send an Action Memorandum up, and then once you
09 got approval, therefore to start that, then you would
10 start what we call the remedial design phase, as I
11 mentioned last week or last month, and we would start
12 writing scope of work. Well, we already have the
13 scope of work written. All we need now is approval of

14 money from headquarters before they send that to
15 contract. One of the reasons we'll go ahead and try
16 and get in there the first of May, so we can try and
17 jump ahead of ourselves above the normal process to
18 try and get it approved.

19 BY MR. BLAKE:

20 This is Lincoln Blake. I would agree with
21 pretty much with what Wayne said, but I think we
22 pretty much realize that there was a serious problem
23 earlier than that, and that's when we consulted with
24 the Park. The Park was shut down. We did the Time
25 Critical Removal to make the area safe with certain

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01 restrictions. That -- that's talking about Area 7.

02 In Area 2 we said we can't get to that. The
03 funding doesn't allow it, so that area was shut down
04 by the Park to try and prevent any -- any incidents,
05 so I would say it's probably more like January of '95
06 is when we really found out there were some issues out
07 here ---

08 BY MR. THOMPSON:

09 That was before the horse trail put in?

10 BY MR. BLAKE:

11 --- and said, "Let's take action."

12 BY MR. THOMPSON:

13 That was before the horse trail was put in or
14 after?

15 BY MR. PERRY:

16 It was after.

17 BY MR. THOMPSON:

18 After.

19 BY MR. HAMER:

20 You said you shut them down, what does that
21 really mean? How do you shut down several acres of
22 land? Do you put up a sign and have it taped and
23 that's about it?

24 BY MR. BLAKE:

25 That's right. That's ---

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01 BY MR. HAMER:

02 That's about all you can do.

03 BY MR. BLAKE:

04 That's basically what we did, and obviously, in
05 an area where the ranger station was, they had people
06 that also patrolled. They had the roads barricaded,
07 and we went out there and did the Time Critical
08 Removal Action to make it -- to make it a much safer
09 situation, obviously.

10 BY MR. OSBORNE:

11 What restraints do you have out there now?

12 BY MR. BOGAN:

13 As in signs and posters? We've done a couple of
14 things. When we had some signs up was when people
15 were doing work. As far as physically putting signs
16 up saying, Do Not Enter, around fitness trail, Area 7
17 -- I can show you on the map. It will be easier.

18 Around the fitness trail on this hilltop, we
19 placed signs that say Off Limits and tell people not
20 to enter. That's primarily -- we haven't done any
21 clearance activities on the hilltop. We cleared the
22 trail itself and cleared five foot on each side of the
23 trail. Since we couldn't get the hilltop, in talking
24 with the Park folks, we decided, you know, we
25 recommended to them they may want to go ahead and

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01 close that area down, which they did.

02 And Area 2, if I remember correctly -- well,
03 it's coming up on Henningston Road -- on Henningston
04 Road starting at the State Park's property, which is
05 right here, we placed signs down in the area saying,
06 Do Not Enter and Off Limits. Those are two areas that
07 initially last -- back last spring we put a sign
08 saying, Do Not Enter.

09 What we've done most recently is, in talking
10 with the Park, just south of Area 2, the horse trails,
11 we've recommended they close those down. They have.
12 The horse trails are adjacent to Area 1B. We
13 recommended they close that down, and they have closed
14 those areas down. The horse trails, the fitness trail
15 in Area 7 and along the road on Henningston Road and
16 Area 2, there are signs posted saying Do Not Enter.

17 BY MR. OSBORNE:

18 What about the two areas you have on Dairy Ridge
19 Road that you have closed off, one you have closed off
20 this week, it wasn't closed off last week?

21 BY MR. PERRY:

22 I think you're talking about their property?

23 BY MR. OSBORNE:

24 I don't know whose property it is. I just
25 know ---

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01 BY MR. PERRY:

02 It was closed last week also. That area, we
03 closed that off, the reason being to get to the trail
04 that we already have closed off. Now some people have
05 been using that in the past, mountain bikers and stuff
06 like that, so we went ahead and put the closed signs
07 there just to make them aware that the area is closed
08 in this area.

09 BY MR. OSBORNE:

10 Well, I'm awful caring there's a door out there,
11 I can still walk through. There's no ---

12 BY MR. PERRY:

13 We've got 7,000 acres there. We could get --
14 you know, it's awful hard to put a sign on every tree
15 around the property. Other than putting a fence
16 around there, I mean, we're doing what was recommended
17 by the Corps and the best that we can. We also know
18 that we can't close the entire area off.

19 BY MR. HAMER:

20 Has -- has articles been put in the local
21 newspaper about these closings?

22 BY MR. BOGAN:

23 Yes, it has.

24 BY MR. HAMER:

25 It has.

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01 BY MR. BOGAN:

02 And the State Park has a press release
03 indicating which areas and I think there was a map
04 attached indicating which areas.

05 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

06 We can't very well put a fence up around. We've
07 got property in behind the camp. We have the State
08 Park -- we have to go through the State Park to get to
09 some of our property.

10 BY MR. PERRY:

11 That's ---

12 BY MR. BOGAN:

13 If we can, we can take about a 15 minute break.

14 (OFF THE RECORD)

15 (BRIEF BREAK IN MEETING)

16 BY MR. BOGAN:

17 Okay. The next thing I want to talk about is
18 what was presented in the EE/CA, those five areas we
19 want to look at for cleanup.

20 What I would like for you to do now as the RAB
21 is to discuss and tell me what your priorities are for
22 the cleanup -- anything that you think we're missing
23 on, anything you think we need to continue to address,
24 good points, bad points.

25 All right. I know the By-Laws say we have an
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01 hour and a half for a meeting or something. We want
02 to go with that, so we want to get it done as great as
03 detail as possible without getting too elaborate.

04 BY MR. PERRY:

05 What was the A39?

06 BY MR. BOGAN:

07 Let me discuss the A39. It doesn't exactly show
08 up on this map. I've got the map from the EE/CA where
09 it does show up. Just south of Area 2, down next to
10 the road that goes toward the pool, there was an area
11 where found magnetometer anomalies. This area was one
12 of the red areas identified by a 1944 aerial photos.

13 What we have done is that area is right next to
14 one of the horse trails, which is one of our reasons
15 for recommending the closure of horse trails near Area
16 2 and going into that area, fitness trails 3 and 4.

17 BY MR. THOMPSON:

18 Are you talking about the present swimming pool?
19 The present pool at the camp?

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 The present pool to the -- to the northwest of
22 the swimming pool, it's not far up from the creek that
23 you go on the road coming towards the swimming pool,
24 coming from the main road off in the woods in that
25 area, near one of the horse trails, we found some

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01 magnetometers, which we think is potential ordnance
02 rounds under the surface.

03 Since that's close to a horse trail, all right,
04 and we decided to recommend -- we wanted to close the
05 horse trails, in addition to the trails in Area 2.

06 Normally, that area would be addressed, because
07 it was found in the Supplemental Archives Research
08 Report, it would be addressed in the next EE/CA.

09 Since it's near a horse trail, we decided to go
10 ahead and try and get that area angled for current
11 cleanup that we have now.

12 The other areas in the Supplemental Archives
13 Research Report I'll address next month. We go into
14 it through the EE/CA, but we want to come in and look
15 at it and clean that, as long as we've got the money
16 to do it, and that will go ahead and free up that
17 horse trail for use at a later time.

18 So if it's not in EE/CA itself, we're going to
19 try and go ahead and clean that up in the process.

20 Any questions about each of the different areas
21 that I need to address?

22 BY MR. HAMER:

23 This may have been something that you brought up
24 earlier, but how did you determine the samplings? The
25 random sampling you took or did you determine it based

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01 on what you had seen on the surface and what people
02 told you?

03 BY MR. BOGAN:

04 It was a combination of factors. Number one,
05 we've done two Archive Research Reports. Okay. From
06 the first Archive Research Reports, all right, on a
07 map similar to this one, which is Mr. Mullinax's, see
08 on the map it shows the different bombing points the
09 Park had at the time. Knowing what each one of these
10 firing points was supposed to have been, whether it
11 was a mortar, whether it was a small arms, anti-tank,
12 we used that information, along with interviews from
13 the local public, landowners and other people, whoever
14 would come to us and talk to us, and they said that
15 these areas we think that most of the ordnance is
16 going to be located in.

17 That's one -- you can look at the map for Area
18 1B. You'll see a large number of grids there, all
19 these blue grids.

20 According to the Archive Research Report and all
21 this information we've gotten, most of the ordnance
22 should have been located in that area. With the
23 additional Archive Research Report and since we've
24 done the EE/CA, we found out that wasn't necessarily
25 true, therefore we would come in and we end up moving

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01 some of the sampling grids, and we did find ordnance
02 in this area but not as much here as we thought, so we
03 shift our own priorities based on interviews and based
04 on areas -- target these areas where we know.

05 Any other question about 1B, 2, 3, 6 or 7?

06 BY MR. STEWART:

07 I have a question.

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 Yes, sir. If you could, give us your name?

10 BY MR. STEWART:

11 Stonewall Stewart.

12 BY MR. BOGAN:

13 Yes, sir.

14 BY MR. STEWART:

15 Further back you mentioned you had cleared some
16 area, but you didn't have the money. I'm not sure
17 which one you've specified.

18 Number two, I think we should know who
19 appropriated the money, where the funding is coming
20 from. Perhaps you intend to get to that later, and I
21 believe in the final analysis that we should have a
22 compiled -- compiled -- compiled data spelling out
23 where the money went and to whom it went to and what
24 qualification the contractors have and their track
25 records.

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01 BY MR. BOGAN:

02 All right, sir. That's a lot, and I'll try to
03 address it all.

04 BY MR. STEWART:

05 Yeah. Well, I don't expect you to do that.

06 BY MR. BOGAN:

07 Okay. First, the areas that wasn't cleared
08 because we were out of money, an Area 7, which is down
09 near -- we have two campgrounds and the Park ranger's
10 office on the hilltop in the center of the fitness
11 trail is an area that involves high vegetation, and
12 for a lack of time and money, we did not clear it.
13 That area is marked as Off Limits at this point.

14 As far as appropriation of funding, all the
15 funding is coming through the -- our headquarters in
16 Washington. We send up the report or summary that
17 says, This is what we found. We need approval to do
18 this and funding to do this, and they'll come back and
19 give us the money based on their problems and what's
20 going on in the nation.

21 The contractors have to meet a very specific and
22 stringent guidelines as to safety requirements dealing
23 with the unexploded ordnance. Each of the ordnance
24 technicians on the site have to have a certain degree
25 of training. They have to be certified and have that

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01 type of training. In a lot of cases they have to have
02 a military EOD school, and I think it's at least a
03 year's worth of training in that, so the people
04 working on the site have to have proven to us that
05 they have experience to work on this site.

06 Does answer most of your questions?

07 BY MR. STEWART:

08 Yeah.

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 Anything I left out?

11 BY MR. STEWART:

12 Now will we eventually get a -- some type of
13 data spelling out where this money went?

14 BY MR. BOGAN:

15 Yes, sir. A lot of it -- I'm going to try
16 compile it as much as possible. A lot of it comes in
17 the form of these reports, and it identifies in the
18 report how much we spent and how much we spend in
19 different areas.

20 One of the things that we're doing is putting
21 together a fancy computer system called Geographical
22 Information System, GIS, where on the computer I
23 should be able to bring up each one of these maps and
24 show you what we've found, what grade of ordnance,
25 what it was that was dug up, what was around it, any

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01 problems associated with it, who owns the land there,
02 and hopefully, if I get set up right, I can get how
03 much money is spent in each of these different areas.

04 Once I get that coming in, I hope I'll be able
05 to bring it to later meetings, maybe this summer, and
06 if somebody asks a particular question, we can bring
07 up the computer data base and show you what we've done
08 on that.

09 Yes, sir.

10 BY MR. RAMANTANIN:

11 I have one piece of land on Hickory Hill Road
12 and Dairy Ridge Road. I have been told by the people
13 that live down there that they -- there's all kind of
14 trash down there on that thing now. They don't know
15 the legal names of them and that type thing, but I
16 would like to know if you all found anything there in
17 that area?

18 BY THE COURT REPORTER:

19 I need your name, sir?

20 BY MR. RAMANTANIN:

21 Alex Ramantanin.

22 BY MR. BOGAN:

23 Okay. What I'll have to do, sir, is to get with
24 you with the map after the meeting and let you show me
25 exactly where your property is, and I can tell you

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01 what -- what they did find or didn't find in that area
02 or try to.

03 Okay. I talked about the different areas. I've
04 given you the straw-man of how we would like to
05 approach cleanup, and I'll need your discussion and
06 your comments and your recommendations to the Corps of
07 Engineers how we can clean up these areas, what
08 priorities.

09 BY MR. OSBORNE:

10 Can I ask you a couple of questions first?

11 BY MR. BOGAN:

12 Yes, sir.

13 BY MR. OSBORNE:

14 Has anybody come forward with any other
15 information since this Board has convened?

16 BY MR. BOGAN:

17 I've had a couple people come up and tell me
18 that they knew there was something here or there. We
19 had one incident where the landowner -- there was a
20 hunter on a property found a land mine it was inert,
21 but of any large consequences, no.

22 What I would like, if anybody that has
23 information, if they will come to me and let me know,
24 or if you do find an actual piece of ordnance, if
25 they'll call the Sheriff's Office and have the

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01 Sheriff's Office dispose of that, and I've asked the
02 Sheriff's Office -- I talked with them the other day
03 -- to let me know if anything is found so I can keep
04 track of it and I can track it on the map to identify
05 what was found where.

06 BY MR. OSBORNE:

07 Talking about old records, how are we doing on
08 coming up with some of them? Like, you're saying
09 people could call -- should call the Sheriff's Office.
10 Do we have any information, say, from prior years that
11 the Sheriff has been brought into this or any other
12 thing that they back the National Guard and the Marine
13 Corp, you name it, whoever used the facilities?

14 BY MR. BOGAN:

15 I mentioned that briefly when I first started.
16 I don't have anything yet from like the National Guard
17 or the Marine Corps or the others, and, if I remember
18 correctly, in talking with the Sheriff's Department
19 and EOD in Fort Jackson, they don't keep records back
20 that far. They'll keep some of them, but not a lot of
21 it, so I'm trying to work with them to see if I can
22 get a longer list of everything that they've had, so I
23 can compile that information into one area.

24 BY MR. OSBORNE:

25 Driving into the Park, I'll ask Mr. Perry on

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01 this, you drive by, and the areas are sort of level,
02 then we all see the mounds. What are those mounds,
03 say, on the left-hand side as you're driving down to
04 the ranger's?

05 BY MR. PERRY:

06 I don't know who -- I don't know if that was
07 part of the base or not. I can't find any evidence
08 that it was anything but just mounds of dirt.

09 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

10 Are you talking about the old Boy Scout
11 campground or the ---

12 BY MR. OSBORNE:

13 No, sir. As you're driving down the road, if

14 you'll look over into the trees, it's all level, then
15 all of a sudden here's big mounds.

16 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

17 Which road? The road into the Park?

18 BY MR. OSBORNE:

19 The main -- the main road going down to the
20 ranger's station.

21 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

22 I know they shot 57 and 37.

23 BY MR. OSBORNE:

24 It's probably about halfway on the left.

25 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

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01 They shot 37s and 57s in that mound there, one
02 -- right before you get to the ranger's house.

03 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

04 Right across -- almost directly across from the
05 ranger's house there, parts of concrete and some
06 mufflers there that had been pushed over that were --
07 where they had the operating mechanism for a track or
08 a target -- a target track that went out and they
09 fired 37 and 57 millimeters, .50-caliber machine guns.
10 They had two or three tanks that set in that area. We
11 call it blackjack hill because it's full of black jack
12 rock, and that's one of the bunkers.

13 And going into the Park area down and pretty
14 close to the power line, it comes through there a big
15 mound almost directly under that power line that is
16 where they set the 57 millimeter guns and 37
17 millimeter guns and the trucks with .50-calibers on
18 them and then fired down across into that target area.

19 BY MR. BOGAN:

20 And we have -- notice in Area 1A, which was
21 recommended for no further action, we have sampling
22 grids on Area 1 going on the main entrance going into
23 the Park.

24 BY MR. PERRY:

25 Wayne, you mentioned no further action in 1A.

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01 We plan on putting more horse trails there. If we
02 decide to go -- and that's the area we've been looking
03 at. Is the Corps going to go in, after you've flagged
04 an area out, will they go in with a magnet? Are they
05 sure we can put a trail there or are you saying let us
06 put it in on our own?

07 BY MR. BOGAN:

08 When we had the meeting with the Parks
09 commission down in Columbia, the same question came up
10 as far future work, and the answer from the guy from
11 Huntsville was the future construction, essentially,
12 especially like areas where we've already searched in
13 1A, what we'll do is we'll give you a policy or a
14 contract on the construction that allows you and tells
15 you what you need as far as having a potential
16 ordnance specialist there on site in case you do run
17 up on something.

18 If you run up on something, then we may have to
19 get the Sheriff or Fort Jackson involved. If it's
20 beyond their scope, then we can potentially come back
21 and clean up that area if you found something unique,
22 but we won't come back in every time somebody flags
23 there for construction, like the horse trails and
24 houses. We just don't have the money to come back in
25 and look and bring the crew back out to look at the

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01 area.

02 Huntsville said they give us a way -- not
03 necessarily a statement, but technical language to put
04 into a contract to put in the trails or houses or
05 whatever, and temporarily hire somebody to watch to
06 make sure that you don't run into something and who
07 can advise you immediately whether or not you have
08 ordnance.

09 BY MR. PERRY:

10 So from this day on, we have to check with the
11 Corps before any construction is going on at all on
12 the property of the Park?

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 Now, what we'll do is once we finish these
15 areas, we'll go ahead and give to the different
16 landowners that text or statement, and then
17 essentially, as I said, it will be up to you to put
18 that in and you go ahead and you do it.

19 I can't tell you not to construct, and you don't
20 have to check with us anytime you want to do anything
21 on the property. Does that -- or did I confuse you?

22 BY MR. BLAKE:

23 This -- this is Lincoln, again. I think you've
24 got to differentiate to what kind of an area is it.
25 Is it an area where we don't have any idea if there's

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01 anything in there, we're not going to do anything.
02 But if you've got an area where -- which is a little
03 confusing, because that Area 1B is inside 1A, in that
04 area we're going in there and clear it.

05 BY MR. BOGAN:

06 I've had several people ask, can you come to my
07 property. I want to build a house or I want to build
08 a garage or a new driveway, can you come in and check
09 my property before I do that? We just don't have the
10 money or the manpower for every person that wants to
11 do that, because that would be an ongoing process for
12 another 20 or 30 years.

13 To just get a contractor, a qualified contractor
14 on site to do that, it costs us like \$1,000 each time,
15 and then that's not necessarily the best use of the
16 taxpayers' money.

17 If you think something is there, then we can
18 come and look. If there is no indication from the
19 EE/CA or the Supplemental Archive Research Reports
20 that there's anything there, then we won't come out
21 and look at those areas.

22 BY MR. PERRY:

23 But is it okay or is it acceptable if we use
24 like the National Guard or Marines that come out to
25 use the Park, could we use them to check our area for

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01 a proposed trail?

02 BY MR. BOGAN:

03 That would be up to the Guard and that would be
04 up to, probably the governor, as to whether or not you
05 can and how legally the National Guard can do that.
06 We don't use the National Guard. We have to use
07 federal funds for our contractors that are qualified
08 to do that work.

09 BY MR. PERRY:

10 That is one thing I don't understand. Why do we
11 subcontract out when you get the military already
12 there.

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 Part of the problem you run into with the
15 National Guard is when they do their actual active
16 duty time, they're on active duty for two weeks. To
17 clean up Area 7, we'll bring in somebody, and that
18 area will take two months. I would have to bring in
19 at least four different National Guard crews to clean
20 up the area, and then you've got people coming in as a
21 transition to the base coming in and coming out, which
22 will probably make it about a three month period
23 instead, and then you've got to disconnect between
24 whose has cleared what.

25 If it would be anything, it would be more of a
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01 nightmare, and it's a big problem, unless you can get
02 somebody full time the entire cleanup in that one
03 area.

04 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

05 And actually the main reason we wouldn't be able
06 to do that is they've got their own combat missions
07 that they train for, and that's -- that's something
08 that two week period that they come on active duty,
09 that is their focus at that time to train on their
10 combat mission, so if we ever have to go to war,
11 they're ready to go to war.

12 BY MR. PERRY:

13 What better mission could they have than this?

14 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

15 There are a lot of missions in the Marine Corp.

16 BY MR. BAYUGA:

17 Wayne, Greg Bayuga, Huntsville Division. The
18 National Guard does not have the particular type of
19 unit to clean up the areas being cleared and those are
20 Explosive Ordnance Disposal Units, and there's about
21 six EOD National Guard Units in the United States, but
22 the Guard could come back and clear an area for you,
23 but it would have to be a Guard EOD Unit to do that,
24 because if you've got a Guard Artillery Unit, and they
25 are trained to identify ordnance after it has been

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01 fired or to dig it up and properly dispose of it.

02 BY MR. BOGAN:

03 A good example is the Pacolet Unit is 155
04 Military Artillery Unit, and they are trained to shoot
05 it, but very briefly trained to identify it, any
06 craters or anything once there.

07 Yes, sir.

08 BY MR. RAMANTANIN:

09 I'm Alex Ramantanin. I'm very grateful, very
10 thankful for all these gentlemen and ladies up here
11 that have come in and give their time for this
12 meeting, but I think somewhere that somebody has
13 really dropped the egg. It's been 50 years and the
14 government hasn't cleaned it up. They've been
15 intending to clean it up. They should have cleaned it
16 up when it happened.

17 As far as two foot down, that's ridiculous. The
18 roads in this have washed away more than that. The
19 roads have just taken that dirt and put it somewhere
20 else where it might be five or six feet deep where the
21 surface used to be.

22 Several of these people here that I know, proud
23 to know them, have done some farming in their life,
24 and they've used subsoilers that go down, I know,
25 better than three feet, so it -- we're just talking

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01 about Band-Aids here. We're not talking about
02 clearing it up or something.

03 This -- there's something that's got to be done
04 somewhere before somebody gets killed. Now my
05 children played all over that land down there, and you
06 mean to tell me that they were exposed to all this
07 ordnance and things of that sort? It's ridiculous
08 that the government can't go down there and clean it
09 up. There's some way somewhere somehow that it can be
10 cleaned up once and for all, and we're just go on like
11 this for another 50 years? That's a bit ridiculous.

12 Anyway, thank you, gentlemen and ladies up there
13 for you all's time and effort to come out here and try
14 and straighten this out. Thank you.

15 BY MR. BOGAN:

16 Just to quickly address part of your comments,
17 and it did take us 50 years to get back, and I briefly
18 mentioned that in the last meeting, but I wish we had
19 gotten here immediately after they closed the Park and
20 closed the Army Training Facility, but they didn't.
21 We're back in now and we're pushing to do what we can.

22 As far as clearance of two depth, that was
23 decided through an Army guidance right to the type of
24 munitions that we're finding, and they determined that
25 based on the sampling we've done and what we know

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01 about the munitions, that we shouldn't find any mortar
02 rounds any deeper than two foot, or if we do, we'll go
03 down to four foot.

04 BY MR. RAMANTANIN:

05 I don't know this to be a fact, but I've been
06 told by people that want to go down in there, as
07 engineers to work on it, they've been told -- told me,
08 rather, that the ground -- there's holes down there
09 dug deep enough to put jeeps in and covered over, and
10 so I know that's more than just two feet. People want
11 to go down there. They are chomping at the bits to go
12 down there and get the government contract and clean
13 up something because they think they're going to make
14 a whole lot of money off of -- off of the scraps or
15 something they can find down there.

16 BY MR. BOGAN:

17 The problem we run into is I've heard that there
18 are a hole or tunnels deep enough to drive trucks
19 into. The problem is I don't know where they are.
20 And until somebody can show me where they are, I can't
21 go and look at it. Now if somebody knows, if they'll
22 let me know, we can look, but until then, I have to go
23 with what we found so far and what people have told us
24 so far and actively look in those areas.

25 But if anybody has or ladies and gentlemen

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01 talking about know where it's at ---

02 BY MR. RAMANTANIN:

03 I'm going to try to find out who they are.

04 BY MR. BOGAN:

05 Okay. If they'll let me know, then we'll come
06 talk with them. I appreciate it.

07 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

08 Wayne, I'd like to address a few things. In the
09 last two meetings, I've detected a lot of frustration
10 from a lot of property owners. I'm a property owner
11 myself, and I think we're all very concerned about the
12 situation that we've got here, but it's not Wayne's
13 fault. It's not the military's fault, because

14 everyone in here is part of the government.

15 We have elected officials that designate where
16 the tax dollars are going to go. So if we want Camp
17 Croft cleaned up down to four feet or 50 feet, then
18 it's our responsibility to get in touch with our
19 elected officials and to apply the pressure to them to
20 appropriate the funding so these men can do their job.

21 But to stand here and to abuse them or to say
22 this or that is wrong. These men are working with the
23 tools that have been available to them, and ladies,
24 too. I didn't mean to leave anybody out. But we're
25 -- we're beating up on the wrong people. We need to

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01 address it with our congressmen and with our senators,
02 because those are the people that decide where the
03 funding is going to go, and they're the ones that can
04 relieve part of our frustration.

05 BY MR. BOGAN:

06 Thank you, sir.

07 BY MR. RAMANTANIN:

08 I hope it wasn't felt that I was beating up on
09 anybody. I -- the people that need to be beaten up on
10 are not here. That's definitely true.

11 BY MR. BOGAN:

12 Thank you, sir. Dr. Lowry.

13 BY DR. LOWRY:

14 I agree -- I agree with you, and to that end I
15 have a letter here written by Bob Inglis, signed by
16 Bob Inglis and Floyd Spence to Congressman Bill Young
17 of the appropriations committee asking for funds to be
18 appropriated for Camp Croft, and I do think this is an
19 appropriate way.

20 I've talked with the Thurmond's office, but I
21 think it's up to everyone of us to write him and tell
22 him how important it is to us. He is chairman of our
23 services committee.

24 Mr. Hollings is not somebody who is on the
25 appropriations committee. That's where all the money

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01 is, I think, but I'm not familiar with it all, but
02 this is the way to get the money and everything that
03 I'm told about my land, and about cleaning up all this
04 is subject to independent funding money, so I urge
05 everybody in here and everybody on this Board to
06 please write that.

07 Bob Inglis is very much aware of it. Senator
08 Hollings has had the newspaper articles put in his
09 hand, and Mr. Thurmond has been told by his aides, as
10 I understand, so it's just going to take numbers, and
11 if you don't want to do that, that's fine. I've
12 already done it, and I do think it's an appropriate
13 way to do it.

14 BY MR. BOGAN:

15 Thank you, Dr. Lowry.

16 Back to priorities. Mr. Osborne.

17 BY MR. OSBORNE:

18 If the old Marine Corp Reserve Unit Training
19 Facility along Dairy Ridge Road, have they abandoned
20 that now, and has that been cleaned up by them before
21 they left?

22 BY MR. BOGAN:

23 No, sir.

24 BY MR. POWELL:

25 They went down there. It was still there.

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01 Still active there.
02 BY MR. BOGAN:
03 It's still an active barrier that's being used.
04 Our contractors have also used the site for storage of
05 materials being used for working on Camp Croft. I
06 think they have done some surface sweeping of the area
07 to determine if anything more that's located there may
08 be found.
09 Yes, sir.
10 BY MR. STEWART:
11 I just want to say two words briefly. My
12 apology, but I don't think we feel that we're beating
13 up on you. You happen to be in the spotlight, but --
14 so please take that, you know, as a friendly remark,
15 but back to Dr. Lowry, with all due respect, to our
16 representatives, I think if the letter be written, it
17 should be written on a huge sized letterhead and we
18 all sign.
19 So often now our representatives do not answer.
20 Perhaps they would do something in a mass media type
21 of issue. Some of them will not pay one or two or
22 three or four individuals any attention, but we should
23 do it as a group and an organization.
24 BY MR. BOGAN:
25 Thank you, sir.

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01 BY MR. OSBORNE:
02 Can we make a motion?
03 BY MR. BOGAN:
04 We have a question. Yes, ma'am.
05 BY MS. FRETWELL:
06 Susan Fretwell, and first I just want to say
07 I've had issues and criticism publicly at some of
08 these previous meetings, and I want to thank you for
09 addressing some of those concerns I've expressed
10 tonight, and it may not be tremendous progress, but it
11 is some progress and all progress is important in a
12 situation like this.
13 The question that I have is from whence coming
14 forth funding? In other words, it is beyond the
15 services committee -- I know appropriations is
16 appropriations, but we are -- where the source of this
17 funding within our congressional bodies, our
18 legislative body, perhaps, so, I mean, who are we
19 trying to ultimately target?
20 BY MR. BOGAN:
21 I'd like to get a definite ---
22 BY MS. FRETWELL:
23 I'm sorry. If you can't let me know, I
24 apologize.
25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 I'll get you a definite answer on that as to ---
02 BY MS. FRETWELL:
03 I mean, I think it's important to know where
04 we're trying to get to.
05 BY MR. BOGAN:
06 All right.
07 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:
08 I think we can get a better answer for you on
09 that, but, you know, Dr. Lowry mentioned your
10 congressman. Your congressman certainly knows who to
11 go to to find that out.
12 BY MS. FRETWELL:
13 Yeah, it's a great place to start, but I think

14 the more informed letters that we can write, the more
15 attention is paid to them.

16 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

17 Right, we can -- we can talk to that.

18 BY MS. FRETWELL:

19 You know, to date, our congressmen and senators
20 need information too in order to do us any good.

21 BY MR. BOGAN:

22 So, all right, mostly what I was worried about
23 is Washington going to send the money.

24 BY MS. FRETWELL:

25 Yeah, and Washington we've got. It might not

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01 hurt to come clean up a little bit.

02 BY MR. BOGAN:

03 Right, I think Washington ---

04 BY MR. BLAKE:

05 Our program is called -- this is Lincoln again.

06 BY MS. FRETWELL:

07 Yeah, they ---

08 BY MR. BLAKE:

09 Our program is called Defensive Environmental
10 Restoration Program.

11 BY MS. FRETWELL:

12 Yeah, you know what surplus, but ---

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 We'll try and address that for you.

15 BY MR. OSBORNE:

16 Is it proper to make a motion?

17 BY MR. BOGAN:

18 Yes, sir, if you want.

19 BY MR. OSBORNE:

20 I make a motion that Area 00U7 and Area 00U1B be
21 closed in the interest of the citizens of South
22 Carolina and properly cleaned up at the earliest
23 possible moment and the funding be put in for it.

24 BY MR. WILSON:

25 I second that motion.

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01 BY MR. POWELL:

02 Wayne, aren't they already closed?

03 BY MR. BOGAN:

04 On this -- okay. We've got -- let me get the
05 motion. The motion is, it has been seconded, it's
06 Area 7, 00U7 and 00U1B be closed in the interest of
07 the public and cleaned up at the earliest possible
08 opportunity. We have a second. Is there any
09 discussion related to this motion?

10 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

11 Is already closed? Aren't those areas -- aren't
12 they already closed?

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 In Area 7, we have the fitness trail, along that
15 area is closed. On 1B, the horse trail in that area
16 is closed, and it's not really used for anything else,
17 but there is potential that somebody can walk in the
18 area.

19 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

20 Is -- is what's opened in accordance with the
21 Corps of Engineers recommendations and the Park
22 following their recommendations?

23 BY MR. BOGAN:

24 Yes, sir, the campgrounds, the general store,
25 the park ranger's office, the picnic areas, all those,

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01 due -- based on the sampling we've done and the Time
02 Critical Removal Action and the clearance down to
03 about one foot, according to our safety guys in that
04 area, we've advised the State Park that that area is
05 safe and to remain open.

06 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

07 I -- the reason I asked the question, I think we
08 ought to follow the Engineers' recommendation.

09 BY DR. KEITH:

10 Are you -- are you recommending we close this --
11 I haven't heard that. I heard the recommendation to
12 close it, but the Engineers, have they recommended
13 that it be closed?

14 BY MR. BOGAN:

15 No, sir. We recommended that we would like to
16 get in there as quickly as possible. However, we're
17 saying the area is still safe to remain opened. So
18 we'd like to get in there because we know it's a high
19 used area. We'd like to do the work. However, we --
20 it's safe enough to leave opened, but we've eliminated
21 much of the risk as possible.

22 BY MR. THOMPSON:

23 Wayne, how long will take to complete it if you
24 get the money?

25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 If we get the money, and we start work May 1st,
02 with our very progressive schedule, possibly two
03 months to clean up that area.

04 BY MR. THOMPSON:

05 Okay.

06 BY DR. LOWRY:

07 We're not talking about leaving it down then for
08 a very long period of time, are we?

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 That's the last estimate to -- without any
11 complications along the way, but the general guideline
12 is probably around two months.

13 BY DR. KEITH:

14 But you do not recommend closing it now. You'll
15 wait until the work or the contractors start? Is that
16 -- I'm confused about this motion versus what you're
17 recommending.

18 BY MR. BOGAN:

19 Right, we -- we've told the Park that it's okay
20 to leave Area 7 opened, because we've already done ---

21 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

22 With -- with certain -- with certain
23 restrictions on it.

24 BY MR. BOGAN:

25 Right, no digging.

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01 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

02 I.e, no digging.

03 BY MR. BOGAN:

04 We have come back and we've cleared the areas,
05 and we would like to work in there, but it's safe to
06 remain opened until we get the funding and until it's
07 all right for us to work with the Park to close the
08 areas as needed.

09 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

10 Now we stand by that position. If ever any
11 other information becomes available that someone has
12 that we need to look into, of course we're going to
13 look into that, but as of right now, we stand by that

14 recommendation.

15 BY MR. BOGAN:

16 Any other discussion?

17 BY MR. THOMPSON:

18 Wayne, there's a question out on the floor.

19 BY MR. BOGAN:

20 Yes, sir.

21 BY MR. BORKOWSKI:

22 My name is Mike Borkowski. The way I understand
23 it, since 1949 the Park has been opened, and there has
24 been millions of people through the Park, and they've
25 dug golf courses. They've dug two lakes, and to date,

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01 there has not been one accident from any munitions in
02 the Park, and it seems to make sense to let the
03 public, who is paying for the Park, use the Park, and
04 come wintertime, as was scheduled before from
05 Columbia, that would be a more opportune time to take
06 that action.

07 BY MR. BOGAN:

08 Thank you, sir.

09 BY MR. SMITH:

10 Another question from the floor.

11 BY MR. BOGAN:

12 Yes, sir, your name, please?

13 BY MR. MCENTIRE:

14 Has the motion been seconded?

15 BY MR. BOGAN:

16 Yes, it has.

17 BY MR. MCENTIRE:

18 Are you going to put it up for a vote?

19 BY MR. BOGAN:

20 Just as soon as the discussion is over with.

21 BY MR. MCENTIRE:

22 Well, I'd like to speak against the motion.

23 BY THE COURT REPORTER:

24 I need your name.

25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 Your name, please?

02 BY MR. MCENTIRE:

03 My name is Tommy McEntire. I'd like to speak
04 against the motion because I don't feel it's up to the
05 Board or even to us to try to tell the Corps which
06 items to take at each time. I think if we get into
07 that, we're going to be in serious trouble, and I like
08 to speak against the motion.

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 Okay. Whether or not -- does someone here wish
11 to comment?

12 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

13 Wayne, one thing, sometimes I think we're using
14 a little scare tactics. That's been going for 50
15 years, I figured out. The lake down there has been
16 gone in and bulldozed it out, cleaned it out, built
17 campgrounds, they cut new roads in it and hadn't a
18 thing gone off.

19 And then maybe so -- I'm not saying anything is
20 not in it. I can't -- I'm not saying -- one might go
21 off tomorrow, but we're just -- to me, we're using
22 lots of scare tactics and the first thing you know,
23 we've done run everybody off and not coming to the
24 State Park. We -- we -- we scare people to death,
25 just everything.

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01 I've lived there all my life, and, sure, we
02 found stuff, but nothing's happened. I mean, we --
03 like you say, one person been killed, and that was
04 when it first started, but there's just been
05 construction. We - we farm. We -- I've had -- we've
06 had big gate on ours that weighed over 10 tons, three
07 feet, four feet and putting sludge in it. We haven't
08 found anything, and just like the bulldozers down
09 there building the lake down there, Johnson Lake the
10 same way, and we're just -- to me, just using lots of
11 scare tactics to get -- we're going to drive people
12 away from the Park if we don't watch what we're doing.
13 We should have some, to me, a more positive attitude
14 instead of saying what we got to do to kill it.

15 BY MR. HAMER:

16 Question from the floor.

17 BY MR. BOGAN:

18 Yes, sir.

19 BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

20 Russell Smith. Can I say something about the
21 scare tactics, too?

22 BY MR. BOGAN:

23 Yes, sir.

24 BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

25 The picture in the paper of the artillery shell,

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01 it was purposely put way out in front of the guy,
02 because an artillery shell ain't about as half as big
03 he was. He wasn't holding it. He was standing well
04 away from it, and the artillery shell was sitting on
05 the table. Now that's scare tactics.

06 The last picture you had on TV showed a man
07 showing a dummy mortar. Now I live right beside 56
08 where the shot those dummy mortars right in front of
09 my house. They won't explode. They won't hurt
10 anybody, unless you drop it on your toe.

11 BY MR. BOGAN:

12 Thank you, sir.

13 BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

14 Wayne, I've got it right here all the
15 information, all of it is scaring people in this area,
16 and this is all they'll write about it. If you want
17 to talk to them, that your concern is not this
18 dangerous, they don't want to talk to you.

19 But now if you've got some ammunition in your
20 background or you've got a truckload, they'll put you
21 on TV, they'll write you an article, but now you go to
22 talk to them, just like Clary was saying, they're
23 trying to run -- everybody says, I talked to them.

24 "Where do you live? Camp Croft. They said
25 it's going to blow up tomorrow." They won't even come

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01 out here, so it's like I say, I'm concerned about all
02 this stuff and the taxpayers' money and I know it's
03 dangerous and all, like it is. I mean, I'm a retired
04 military man, but 50 years and deers and dogs and
05 everything running all over the Camp, bulldozers,
06 trail bikes, you name it, they've been in there and
07 nobody has been killed except just as soon as they
08 closed the Camp when there was a lot of stuff around,
09 but they have removed it off the grounds.

10 So, I just like to say, I just think we're
11 trying to scare the people to death in the community.

12 BY DR. LOWRY:

13 I'd like to say that I'm scared to death. I own

14 some land there. I have been told by people from
15 Huntsville that they wouldn't even walk across it,
16 and, yes, sir, I respect that, and I don't know if one
17 of those stories about my land, but I am.

18 There are places we don't go. There are places
19 I can't make a lake where I want to. There's a hell
20 of a lot of money in my savings put in that land that
21 I can't use, but I can't get any action out of anybody
22 simply because I'm told that somebody might get
23 killed, and I am a prudent person, and I don't want to
24 risk anybody's life by doing that. I even hired my
25 own EOD tech for eight months.

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01 Yes, sir, I'm scared. If you don't respect it,
02 then please come help me build my lake or please come
03 help me do something else on that land or come by
04 there and help me do something, but I do respect it,
05 and I think that everyone should respect it. Just
06 because it's been there for 50 years, it doesn't mean
07 it's not going to go off tomorrow.

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 Thank you, sir.

10 Any other comments regarding that motion?

11 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

12 You're talking about the 50 year age and all,
13 you're looking at the probability and the statistics
14 of 50 years and the number of explosions we've had,
15 and all those are very low.

16 BY DR. KEITH:

17 I think -- I think you have amount or degree of
18 greater risk going out and getting hit by a car and
19 killed and fracture a femur or something than being
20 blown up, my personal opinion.

21 I -- I feel that -- I respect Dr. Lowry and
22 everything he has to say, but I have property out
23 there, too, and I spent two years in the Army in the
24 infantry, and I'm not running around scared to death
25 to go on my farm.

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01 BY DR. LOWRY:

02 Jack, yours is not an impact area.

03 BY DR. KEITH:

04 But, I mean, these things bother me. I didn't
05 say it had to be a bad place. I mean, I'm sorry about
06 that, but my point is that I think that we should --
07 I'd like to make a recommendation that we amend this
08 and go along with -- excuse me -- amend it. Amend it.
09 Is that okay?

10 BY DR. LOWRY:

11 I don't know.

12 BY DR. KEITH:

13 I mean, he had to accept it, but I mean just
14 amend it to -- to leave out the closing of it, leave
15 that up to the Corps of Engineers.

16 I think these -- these people are the experts
17 and we should depend on their knowledge as to whether
18 something should be closed or not, and if we need to
19 close it to do the job, that's one thing, but if
20 you're just closing it to close it, it doesn't seem to
21 me that we're taking the recommendations of people
22 that should know something about it.

23 BY MR. BOGAN:

24 The motion, as I understand it, is that we amend
25 the original motion, and this one takes precedence

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01 over that.
02 BY DR. KEITH:
03 Yeah, on this end, I recommend ---
04 BY MR. BOGAN:
05 What you have to do is -- did you want to amend
06 the motion to say OOU7 and OOU1B be cleaned up at the
07 earliest possible opportunity?
08 BY DR. KEITH:
09 Right.
10 BY MR. BOGAN:
11 Okay. Any discussion on this motion? We have
12 to take care of this one before we can go back to the
13 previous motion talking about closing it?
14 BY MR. THOMPSON:
15 The only difference in the amendment is to close
16 the Park; is that correct?
17 BY MR. BOGAN:
18 And the amendment we're talking about
19 recommending that 00 -- OOU7 and OOU1B be cleaned up
20 at the earliest possible opportunity. It leaves out
21 the word "closing."
22 BY MR. OSBORNE:
23 Wayne, on your schedule, your straw-man schedule
24 awaiting input, what is the bottom line from the Corps
25 of Engineers on the how dangerous this area is and

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01 what should be done?
02 Now if it's not dangerous, then why don't you
03 guys just rescind what you're saying and we just leave
04 it opened and let the Park have at it all summer. Let
05 -- if you're saying somewhere along the line that OOU7
06 and OOU1B and the others are dangerous to the citizens
07 of this state or to this county, or however you want
08 to put it, you're making the recommendation that we
09 have a problem.
10 Now do we clean it up or do we just forget about
11 it? Now we can sit there, and the definition of
12 ordnance, as long as it stays underground, is going to
13 be worse and worse because it deteriorates and it
14 could be contaminated if they let it go and the other
15 things are going to blow up is there.
16 If you want to take that chance, fine and dandy,
17 but tell me what's the bottom line, Mr. Bogan? Where
18 are we standing on this impact area that you're
19 talking about, OOU7, OOU1B? Should it be cleaned up
20 or just forgot about or do it whenever we want to do
21 it?
22 BY MR. BOGAN:
23 I'll answer that and then I'll come back. Our
24 recommendation, based on the risk on the EE/CA,
25 knowing the use of the areas, what's on the area, is

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01 that we would like to get into Area 7 first and Area
02 1B because of the high use. Actually, because if you
03 look at the ordnance and the potential of someone
04 getting -- coming in contact with ordnance, Area 2 has
05 a higher risk than Area 7. Correct me if I'm wrong on
06 that, Greg, but we would like to get into Area 7, but
07 we have -- as I stated before, Area 7 is safe to stay
08 open for the Park in the summer if it needs to stay
09 opened.
10 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:
11 What I -- I think the Corps of Engineers has
12 discussed this problem and told us exactly what the
13 schedule was and what they have said is it's safe to

14 use but it needs to be cleaned up. They -- they have
15 answered your question. They've told you exactly what
16 it was in their original statement, and I called for
17 the question.

18 BY MR. BLAKE:

19 I'd like to say now, Wayne, that maybe we've
20 lost -- this is Lincoln again -- we've lost 1B, the
21 trail in the area is closed; isn't that right?

22 BY MR. PERRY:

23 That's correct.

24 BY MR. BLAKE:

25 So it's closed.

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01 BY MR. PERRY:

02 OOU7 is also closed, too, the area that has the
03 exercise trail.

04 BY MR. BLAKE:

05 Park of 7 is closed? Is that what you said,
06 Gerard?

07 BY MR. PERRY:

08 All of 7 is closed.

09 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

10 Wayne, we need to clarify whether or not we
11 claim Area 7 is closed?

12 BY MR. BLAKE:

13 The areas that we think are hazardous we've
14 recommended that they be closed, the Park has closed.
15 The area -- part of 7 is opened. We recommended at
16 one time that it be closed, and it was closed, and we
17 did a Time Critical Removal on that area, and it's
18 opened with condition, and it's opened with
19 conditions.

20 BY MR. THURMOND:

21 Do we have the amended question? Is that what
22 we're voting on?

23 BY MR. BOGAN:

24 We called for the question. We're calling to
25 amend, if I understand correctly, the debate on this

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01 amendment.

02 The amendment as stated -- states that OOU7 and
03 OOU1B be cleaned up at the earliest possible
04 opportunity. At this point, we need to have a vote on
05 this amendment, in which case we can go back to the
06 original motion.

07 BY MR. OSBORNE:

08 Well, you already stated that the original
09 motion would be out of place because we said it's
10 already closed, right, or parts of it?

11 BY MR. BOGAN:

12 Okay. Before we do that, let me identify Area
13 7, and then we'll go along with the Robert's Rules of
14 Order.

15 In Area 7, the only area closed right now is the
16 hilltop, up right here at the fitness trail. The
17 remaining areas, the campgrounds, the picnic areas,
18 the horse ring and the other campground and the lakes
19 are all opened. They have been cleared with surface
20 clearance.

21 In the areas where we found mortars or grenades
22 up in that area, I've been told they went down -- if
23 it was a potential piece of ordnance, they went down
24 to one foot. They essentially got a one foot
25 clearance in most of these areas, not in every one.

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01 Okay. If they got anomalies, and it didn't look
02 like it was a big piece or ordnance, then they
03 probably didn't even go to one foot, so they didn't go
04 down one foot at every single spot. I just wanted to
05 clarify that.

06 Based on the call for the question, we need to
07 vote on the amendment OOU7 and OOU1B to be cleaned up
08 at the earliest possible opportunity.

09 All those in favor say I.

10 (SEVERAL RESPOND)

11 BY MR. BOGAN:

12 All those opposed say Nay.

13 (NO RESPONSE)

14 BY MR. BOGAN:

15 Then the proposed motion has been amended. Any
16 further discussion on the original motion, which is
17 now being amended OOU7 and OOU1B to be cleaned up at
18 the earliest possible opportunity?

19 (NO RESPONSE)

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 If there's no further question?

22 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

23 Read -- read the original motion again and make
24 sure that ---

25 BY MR. POWELL:

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01 The first motion is dead.

02 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

03 It's dead.

04 BY MR. BOGAN:

05 All right. The original motion has now been
06 amended, in fact, it has been voted and approved to
07 state OOU7 and OOU1B be cleaned up at the earliest
08 possible opportunity.

09 BY MR. WILSON:

10 I'm just confused now for sure, but tell me what
11 activities are still opened in these areas?

12 BY MR. BOGAN:

13 Campgrounds, all of these areas, horse ring, the
14 store and the other campground, all these areas are
15 opened. The fitness trail itself, which circles this
16 hill, is closed.

17 BY MR. WILSON:

18 Are these areas that are still opened are you
19 virtually sure there is nothing in there?

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 There's a potential for more ordnance being
22 located in those areas, which is why we're
23 recommending that we come in and do a cleanup with a
24 clearance to depth of this area.

25 Now based on the cleanup of the surface that

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01 we've done at this point and the areas where we
02 approved the cleanup to down one foot, we've removed
03 for the immediate risk to the public to make it safe
04 enough for public to still use with the conditions
05 that no one digs in the area.

06 Anymore discussion on this motion?

07 (NO RESPONSE)

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 Since we've voted on the amendment, now we have
10 to vote on the amended motion to be accepted by the
11 Board or does that ---

12 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

13 The original motion is dead.

14 BY MR. BOGAN:
15 I'm still learning Robert's Rules of Order.
16 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:
17 You just killed it when you voted on the amended
18 motion.
19 BY MR. BOGAN:
20 All right. Any other discussion on the areas
21 that we've looked at in the straw-man. The motion to
22 move forward to clean up Area 7 and 1B at the earliest
23 possible opportunity. Any other discussions on the
24 areas to discuss?
25 BY MR. THOMPSON:

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01 Let me ask another question. On table 81,
02 what's the estimated cost on those two areas to do
03 what you want to do?
04 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
05 Where are you? Are you talking about Unit 7?
06 BY MR. BOGAN:
07 Let me find the slide.
08 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:
09 Almost \$4 million.
10 BY MR. THOMPSON:
11 How much?
12 BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:
13 \$3.9 million.
14 BY MR. THOMPSON:
15 That's a my question. Can we get that kind of
16 money from Washington this year?
17 BY MR. BOGAN:
18 Table 8-1 is in the EE/CA which identifies each
19 EE/CA, the alternatives considered, the estimated
20 costs for the -- for the proposed alternatives.
21 In Area 7, a clearance to depth has a cost
22 estimated right now of \$3.4 million. Area 1B has an
23 estimated cost of surface clearance of a half a
24 million dollars.
25 BY MR. THOMPSON:

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01 Is that money available?
02 BY MR. BLAKE:
03 Can I clear -- can I clarify something? I think
04 -- could you -- could you put the table back up. On
05 Area 7, one thing you've got to consider is that a
06 surface clearance has already been done in that, so
07 obviously, that is not as simple -- it's not going to
08 be sum of the two, and I don't know what it is.
09 Plus, the exact amounts are not known. That's
10 probably a high spot looking at -- looking at the
11 maximum amount of ordnance in that area. We'd have --
12 we'll have to get a further estimate as we go along in
13 more detail. That was a planning level estimate, so
14 it -- I know there's a lot of -- there is a lot of
15 difference. It's not going to be 3.4 million on top
16 of the 2 million. Excuse me. It's not going to be
17 that.
18 BY MR. THOMPSON:
19 I didn't think it would be.
20 BY MR. BLAKE:
21 I wish I could tell you exactly what it was, but
22 I know that -- that -- that came up. I asked that
23 same question.
24 BY MR. BOGAN:
25 Does that clarify the question for you?

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01 BY DR. KEITH:

02 Will this table be a third or a half or is this
03 just realistically -- this has already been surfaced?

04 BY MR. BLAKE:

05 I think it would be more in the million dollar
06 range, if I had to guess.

07 BY MR. THOMPSON:

08 Million and Two, probably.

09 BY MR. SMITH:

10 Million and Two.

11 BY MR. BLAKE:

12 I wouldn't say it's exactly a Million and Two,
13 but it's going to be a lot less than 3.4, in my
14 estimate from what we've discussed.

15 BY MR. ZAPATA:

16 For the record, would you please restate the
17 motion that was approved by the Board?

18 BY MR. BOGAN:

19 The motion that was approved by the Board,
20 because we have a question from the audience, was that
21 the RAB recommends that OOU7 and OOU1B be cleaned up
22 at the earliest possible opportunity.

23 BY MR. THOMPSON:

24 Some need to make sure that our representatives
25 know that we need this money right away.

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01 BY MR. OSBORNE:

02 Would it be advantageous for the Board to also
03 vote that OOU2 and U3 also be cleaned up at the
04 earliest possible convenience, so that we could also
05 put in for the same amount for the funding and so
06 forth now instead of waiting until a later date and
07 they might not have any money?

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 See, that's why I have to sit back and let you,
10 as a Board, decide what you think is going to be the
11 best way to do that.

12 BY MR. OSBORNE:

13 All right. I make a recommendation that we also
14 put U2 and U3 into the priority of getting it cleaned
15 up as soon as possible.

16 BY DR. KEITH:

17 I second that.

18 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:

19 And as this program that's been outlined by the
20 Corps of Engineers pretty well states they're going to
21 do it as soon as they get the money anyway, and we're
22 -- and I guess -- I guess it would be all right for us
23 to reaffirm through the Board's schedule if -- I mean
24 the Engineers' schedule, if that's what you want to
25 do. I mean, that's ---

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01 BY DR. KEITH:

02 He's asking us to do this, so we're just
03 reaffirming it.

04 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

05 It is helpful to have your input on the
06 priorities, which ones we hit first.

07 BY MR. BOGAN:

08 If you had to decide if you thought Area 2
09 should have been addressed prior to Area 7, I need to
10 know that. If you think our straw-man is good, I need
11 to know those type of things. This is for you, as the
12 public representing the community, you have to let me
13 know what you think of what we're looking at right

14 now.

15 BY MR. HAMER:

16 Well, I mean, in the ideal world, all of these
17 things need to be done immediately.

18 BY MR. BOGAN:

19 Exactly.

20 BY MR. HAMER:

21 But -- well, if we have to make choices, I think
22 you've made it pretty clear, that number one, the
23 straw-man, is what we have to go for if we have to
24 make a choice.

25 But if there's a possibility of getting all this

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01 money -- getting the money to do it all right up
02 front, you know, we would, I would think, want to go
03 get that and do it. I mean, that's sort of a fine
04 line, I guess, but I think we -- I think everybody
05 agrees that, you know, let's go for the whole pot, if
06 we can realistically.

07 BY MR. BOGAN:

08 If they give the entire amount of money right
09 now, the scope of work is ready to address all of the
10 areas. We can get a contractor to go in and start
11 working as long as we've got the crews to work in all
12 the areas. The funding is going to be our limiting
13 factors.

14 Any further discussion on the motion, which was
15 that 00U2 and 00U3 be cleaned up at the earliest
16 possible opportunity?

17 BY DR. LOWRY:

18 Second.

19 BY DR. KEITH:

20 Second.

21 BY MR. BOGAN:

22 Seeing no further discussion, let's put it to a
23 vote, all those in favor of the motion say I.

24 (SEVERAL RESPOND)

25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 All those opposed, Nay.

02 (NO RESPONSE)

03 BY MR. BOGAN:

04 The motion carries. 00U2 and 00U3 be cleared up
05 or cleaned up at the earliest possible opportunity.

06 Any further discussion on these areas?

07 (NO RESPONSE)

08 BY MR. BOGAN:

09 Seeing no further discussion, we'll go forward
10 to the next agenda item, which was placing and
11 deciding the agenda for the next meeting in March,
12 which is?

13 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

14 March the 12th at 7:00 p.m.

15 BY MR. BOGAN:

16 March 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the same room. Okay.

17 March 12th at 7:00 p.m.

18 We need to consider potential visit days. We
19 mentioned the 24th or the 2nd, Saturdays.

20 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

21 I will be in touch with you this week to set up
22 the Park tour.

23 BY MR. BOGAN:

24 Anything -- one of the things I'm going to try
25 to address at the next meeting is I'm going to try to

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01 take the Supplemental Archive Research Report, which
02 has been completed, present those findings to you.

03 Anything else we want to add to the agenda for
04 the next meeting?

05 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

06 Wayne, I'd just like -- let me -- I'd like to
07 ask a question of the Colonel.

08 The Army does not have any battalion or
09 companies that come in and do any work like this?

10 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

11 I would say the only option on this might be
12 what Greg mentioned back there. If there is a
13 National Guard EOD Unit that we could request somehow
14 to come in here and do this, maybe it's possible.

15 It would have to be an EOD Unit for the reason
16 he said and the reason I indicated also, because the
17 other units have their own missions that they need to
18 do. Plus, because of safety, we really need the
19 trained people to do it.

20 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

21 But you don't have anybody in the regular Army
22 active duty?

23 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

24 We do have regular Army EOD folks, and that ---

25 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

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01 They -- we can't get those to come in?

02 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

03 I guess -- hey, Greg?

04 BY MR. BAYUGA:

05 Sir, their mission is to train for war. That's
06 the mission of the Army is to train for a war, and
07 they're busy training all the time.

08 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

09 This would be good training to dig up Camp
10 Croft.

11 BY MR. BAYUGA:

12 The only thing I can tell you that for the past
13 year the National Guard or the Army Corps of Engineers
14 have used the National Guard from Florida, Michigan,
15 Arizona and Alabama to clean up sites like this at no
16 costs to the government.

17 They're in there for two weeks, and the Corps
18 pays for their air travel and all its expenses come
19 from the site that it cleans up.

20 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

21 I would say it is something we can look into and
22 pursue to see if it's possible here at Camp Croft. I
23 can see some problems with, but let's go forward and
24 see what we can -- see what we can find out. It would
25 sure be a hell of a lot cheaper doing it that way.

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01 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

02 It would save the taxpayers lots of money if we
03 can do it within a period of time.

04 BY MR. THOMPSON:

05 Wayne, I would like to make a resolution about
06 this. That this committee go on record to our
07 delegation in Washington that they do everything
08 possible as a group to see that we receive the monies
09 needed to correct Camp Croft, and I'd like to see the
10 name of Zapata, if you would, to write this letter?

11 BY MR. OSBORNE:

12 That doesn't go against their By-Laws, does it?
13 We can go as a Board, we can make a recommendation.

14 BY MR. THOMPSON:

15 Well, as a Board. I'm talking about as a Board.

16 BY MR. OSBORNE:

17 For the resolution.

18 BY DR. KEITH:

19 And along that line is when you write for the
20 resolution, are you talking about getting them a
21 reasonable estimate to do this U7, 1B and 2 and 3 so
22 that congressmen know what we're talking about as far
23 as funding the money. I just would like to have it
24 down. We're talking about some dollars -- dollars in
25 there. I think that would be ---

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01 BY MR. THOMPSON:

02 Yes.

03 BY MR. BOGAN:

04 So you want to put a resolution in there simply
05 saying something like we resolve that the
06 representatives of this area go forward and obtain all
07 necessary funding and approval?

08 BY MR. THOMPSON:

09 Since this is a State Park, why don't we do the
10 whole state representation?

11 BY MR. BOGAN:

12 Part of it -- part of the old facility is not a
13 State Park. A lot of it is not a State Park. Now
14 there's potential, if you want to do that, as a RAB.

15 Yes, sir.

16 BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

17 How are you going to do that if you don't have
18 any officers?

19 BY MR. BOGAN:

20 As a facilitator, I can work and do that, and
21 we'll have an officer or a chairman at the next
22 meeting.

23 I'll work with Suzy to try and put together and
24 give us some input tonight before you leave on how you
25 want the resolution. The only other way to get the

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01 resolution passed to send forward would be the next
02 meeting or do it tonight at this meeting where we can
03 get a voting ---

04 BY DR. KEITH:

05 Why include all that? Why don't we just go
06 ahead with this group? This -- I think this group
07 ought to decide as a group should ask our delegation
08 in Washington to go forward with this? Could we do
09 that?

10 BY MR. BOGAN:

11 Sure. I need you to tell me -- I need you to
12 tell me what to send them or what you want them to
13 sign ---

14 BY DR. KEITH:

15 We don't need to include the whole state or
16 anybody else.

17 BY MR. OSBORNE:

18 Do you need a Yea from all of us?

19 BY MR. BOGAN:

20 I need the statement that we want to send to
21 them. In other words, "We the Restoration Advisory
22 Board of Former Camp Croft resolve that our state
23 representatives, senators," however you want to say
24 it, "go forward and try and obtain funding as best as
25 possible."

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01 You have to -- you need to tell me how you want
02 it worded.
03 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:
04 Do you want Suzy to rough draft something for
05 us?
06 BY MS. MCKINNEY:
07 That's ---
08 BY MR. OSBORNE:
09 I don't want to wait.
10 BY MR. THOMPSON:
11 I don't want to wait until the next meeting.
12 BY DR. KEITH:
13 I don't want to wait a month to do this is what
14 is concerning me.
15 BY MR. OSBORNE:
16 We want the money by May 1st.
17 BY DR. KEITH:
18 I mean, just -- just that we would like our
19 representatives in the group urging them the
20 resolution to get action.
21 BY MR. THOMPSON:
22 I think the resolution is going to have a money
23 amount in it. I believe it's going to have that in
24 it, the money amount.
25 BY MR. OSBORNE:

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01 Because they won't have any idea.
02 (DISCUSSION OFF THE RECORD)
03 BY DR. KEITH:
04 I think -- this is a suggestion. I think we
05 need to say, we have specifically outlined the Area 7,
06 and we need help with those specific areas that we
07 think need to be cleaned up and authorized, and we
08 recommend this amount of money, the Engineers put a
09 figure on it, even though it's high or low, and let
10 them work with that.
11 BY MR. THOMPSON:
12 Why don't you just say what we recommended
13 tonight, the four areas that we recommended to cause
14 have it done and to get it done as soon as possible.
15 BY MR. BOGAN:
16 Okay. Are we talking about all representatives,
17 state and federal?
18 BY MR. THOMPSON:
19 No, the whole bunch. I'm sorry. Right, I'm
20 interested in the whole thing that you got on your
21 list up there.
22 BY MR. BOGAN:
23 We're talking about our representatives, state
24 and federal, take funding and approval as soon as
25 possible for Areas of 00U1B, 2, 3, 6 and 7, with the

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01 funding levels we'll be taking the figures off the
02 chart, and place it next to them for the cleanup of
03 Camp Croft.
04 BY MR. POWELL:
05 Do you have A39 on there, also?
06 BY MR. BOGAN:
07 A39, we were going to do that one essentially,
08 do you want it on?
09 BY MR. POWELL:
10 Yeah, put it on.
11 BY MR. THOMPSON:
12 In other words, what you presented to us earlier
13 tonight.

14 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

15 Insert Table 8-1.

16 What I'll do is draft this and fax it to you. I
17 want you see it so we can get it done as soon as
18 possible. I have fax numbers for some of you. The
19 mail is about a day. I can get the remainder out in
20 the mail to you by the end of this week or the first
21 of next week.

22 BY MR. BOGAN:

23 The reason that we can do that, can mail it out
24 and get your comments sent back in or call, and we'll
25 straighten it out, and we'll send you the final. As

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01 soon as you get the final to each of you, everyone
02 agrees, then we'll send it forward.

03 BY DR. LOWRY:

04 We could do that tonight.

05 BY MR. BOGAN:

06 That would save from having to go to the next
07 meeting before doing that.

08 BY MR. THOMPSON:

09 In the meantime, if you know them, give them a
10 call.

11 BY DR. KEITH:

12 Or a letter.

13 BY MR. POWELL:

14 Or write.

15 BY MR. THOMPSON:

16 Or write.

17 BY MR. OSBORNE:

18 Now you need a vote from us, yeas, for the
19 resolution?

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 Since we don't have the resolution in front of
22 us, what we'll do is that we'll put on the resolution
23 that you get in writing that the motion you know we
24 move that such and such be done.

25 Anybody can second it and we can have it in

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01 writing, instead of having it in voice here, because
02 if you have a vote here, we don't have a vote on the
03 specific resolution. So we're looking at -- we're
04 looking at two weeks to get everything turned around.
05 That's feasible. We can everything back to you, back
06 and forth with comments and then we can send it.

07 BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

08 Anything ---

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 And we can send it up your behalf and list the
11 RAB members' names.

12 Any further questions or discussions?

13 Yes, sir.

14 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JULICH:

15 I want to make two comments. You have heard
16 several times in here discussion about the Corps in
17 talking to the State Parks, Recreation, Tourism folks.

18 I do want to assure you that we are keeping in
19 very close contact with them. We are getting feedback
20 from them whenever we have any recommendations. We
21 are -- we're getting it to them as soon as possible,
22 so we are keeping in close contact with the PR&T
23 folks.

24 The second thing I want to say is thank you, RAB
25 members. From what I've seen at this meeting, that

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01 the RAB is doing what we need you to do, and so I just
02 say, please, keep it up. Thank you very much.

03 BY MR. BOGAN:

04 Yes, sir.

05 BY MR. HAYES:

06 I have concerns of -- it was not very important,
07 but it is important chronologically wise, but I have
08 talked with several landowners within this area, and
09 they had -- don't know that the RAB was formed. They
10 don't know anything that's going on, so -- like Ms.
11 Fretwell said last week she didn't know anything was
12 going on.

13 I think that the landowners within this area
14 need to be notified. I don't know whether you all
15 have a list of everybody from assessor's list or who
16 you get the addresses from, but I think that everybody
17 within this region that are landowners who are paying
18 taxes on their own land need to know that we have this
19 ongoing and they have a voice, to know when the
20 meetings are and they need to be contacted.

21 BY MR. BOGAN:

22 What -- what we've done as a result of Ms.
23 Fretwell's comments at the last meeting, I've got a
24 list of all the landowners from all the property that
25 was once the former base, and we gave that copy to

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01 Zapata and they mailed out cards with the meeting date
02 and time and location to all the landowners prior to
03 this meeting.

04 BY MR. HAYES:

05 Okay. Well, I talked to some this week, and
06 they didn't know, as of -- well, I talked to one
07 yesterday, and they didn't know, and it was a
08 substantial landowner.

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 Okay. If you'll let me know the name, then I'll
11 be sure that they're notified.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 Okay. Well, I -- well, I let him know myself,
14 but I'm just saying that there are probably more out
15 there than just this one, and -- but, you know, I
16 would just like to get them addressed and make sure we
17 let everybody know.

18 BY MR. BOGAN:

19 Sure.

20 BY MR. HAYES:

21 And also -- also, I'd like to -- a few, I don't
22 if it would be a year or a month or whatever, but they
23 had the 50th anniversary of Camp Croft where all the
24 veterans came in and went around to the different
25 places where they were.

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01 There's got to be a list of who attended or the
02 addresses, how they contacted them. Whether we need
03 to send a letter to them asking them whether they know
04 of anything or whether they might know something.

05 BY MR. THOMPSON:

06 I've got that list.

07 BY MR. HAYES:

08 So whether we need to send them letters also
09 saying, please help us, you know. If you know
10 anything, let us know, and that way we cover every
11 base. Any way that we can get information, we might
12 be able to find out what somebody might know.

13 BY MR. BOGAN:

14 What we've done along that area, there were two
15 or maybe three were possible related to Camp Croft in
16 Spartanburg County, and during the Supplemental
17 Archive Research Report, we had people go through all
18 the records and all the stuff that came from the 50th
19 anniversary and that type.

20 I don't know if they specifically called -- they
21 specifically called one or two people, like gas
22 training that took place and asked them questions.

23 BY MR. HAYES:

24 Well, these are the people who might have the
25 old records or might know where the tunnels are that

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01 you can drive through or where they might have buried
02 something, you know, when the war was over.

03 You know, if we just, like you say, just try to
04 cover every base and get in touch with everybody
05 possible, he's got the addresses. You know, maybe we
06 need to think about next time talking about sending
07 everybody a form letter or something and asking them
08 for information.

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 Okay.

11 BY MS. MCKINNEY:

12 We'll address your concern real briefly about
13 the mail outs. We sent out about 160 to 170 note
14 cards announcing this meeting. Most of those
15 addresses are targeted in this area.

16 Your word of mouth helps folks become informed
17 to attend, and there are folks this evening that may
18 not have been at the previous meetings, and they will
19 be added to the mailing list, and they will be
20 notified of the next meetings. Let us know if you
21 have any other questions.

22 BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

23 Well, I talked to a lot of the veterans that
24 came back to that reunion, and they -- they didn't
25 distinguish the area. They didn't know where it was.

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01 I talked to some that said they buried some
02 ammunition, but they couldn't give me a certain area.

03 They said it's changed. The road wasn't here or
04 this and that, so, I mean, you know -- and maybe some
05 of them remember it, but the ones that came, though,
06 they couldn't find places where their barracks was at
07 or they wanted to show -- I have a map of all the
08 areas, but they still just couldn't put it together.

09 BY MR. BOGAN:

10 We'll start with -- we'll start trying to get
11 that information. We'll print it up. As I mentioned,
12 we have one item to discuss. One other -- one
13 question, and then I want to bring up something. Yes,
14 sir.

15 BY MR. STEWART:

16 When does the advisory board -- when the
17 advisory room chambers think that a copy will be sent
18 to the representatives that were mentioned and by that
19 way they will have been notified?

20 BY MR. BOGAN:

21 I think we're looking at sending it to all.

22 BY MR. STEWART:

23 Oh, that's right.

24 BY MR. BOGAN:

25 To all the representatives in this area, state

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01 and federal.
 02 BY MR. STEWART:
 03 Oh, all right.
 04 BY MR. BOGAN:
 05 What I'd like to do from that is -- talking with
 06 Mr. Zapata, is to just get a quick motion that says
 07 that you want us to actually do the resolution.
 08 BY DR. LOWRY:
 09 So ordered.
 10 BY MR. POWELL:
 11 Seconded.
 12 BY MR. BOGAN:
 13 Okay. So I have a motion and a second to that.
 14 The Corps of Engineers will go forward and prepare a
 15 resolution that will be coordinated with the
 16 RAB members to be sent to the congressional entities.
 17 Any discussion?
 18 (NO RESPONSE)
 19 BY MR. BOGAN:
 20 All those in favor say I.
 21 (SEVERAL RESPOND)
 22 BY MR. BOGAN:
 23 All those opposed, nay.
 24 (NO RESPONSE)
 25 BY MR. BOGAN:

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01 Motion carried. That will just help us out
 02 saying that you all told us to do.
 03 BY MR. THOMPSON:
 04 It was in the statement.
 05 BY MR. OSBORNE:
 06 Can we get the Sergeant Major's name and phone
 07 number for our -- before he leaves so we'll have it?
 08 Could we get your name, sir, your name and your phone
 09 number?
 10 BY MR. DUBEAU:
 11 Yes, sir, 582-5150. Mike DuBeau, D-u-B-e-a-u.
 12 BY MR. BOGAN:
 13 Thank you, sir. Any other questions?
 14 Do I have a motion to adjourn the meeting?
 15 BY MR. CLARY SMITH:
 16 So moved.
 17 BY MR. SANFORD SMITH:
 18 So moved.
 19 (MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9:35 P.M.)

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01 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
 01) CERTIFICATE
 02 COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)
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07 This is to certify that the within meeting was
 08 taken on the 13th day of February, 1996;
 09 That copies of all exhibits, if any, entered
 10 herein are made a part of this record;
 11 That the undersigned court reporter, a Notary
 12 Public for the State of South Carolina, is not an
 13 employee or relative of any of the parties, counsel or
 14 witness and is in no manner interested in the outcome
 15 of this action.
 16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand
 17 and Seal at Spartanburg, South Carolina, this 5th day

18 of March, 1996.

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