

1 **CAMP CROFT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

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3 PLACE: Marriott Renaissance Hotel
4 Spartanburg, South Carolina
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6 DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, November 17, 2009
7 6:40 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
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9 REPRESENTATIVES: Shawn Boone, *Government Co-Chair and*
10 *Glenn Jeffries, Public Affairs Officer*
11 *US Army Corps of Engineers*
12 *Charleston District*

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15 *US Army Corps of Engineers*
16 *Savannah District*

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27 **BOARD MEMBERS**

28 PRESENT: *Ronald Crawley*
29 *Gary Hayes*
30 *John Holcomb*
31 *William B. Littlejohn, Jr.*
32 *Fred Marler*
33 *Bill Shoolbred*
34 *Emil Spieth*
35 *Jimmy Tobias*
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37 **BOARD MEMBERS**

38 NOT PRESENT: *George Mullinax*

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1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 I welcome everybody out tonight. I hope everybody is enjoying this
3 weather, saving a lot of money on your electrical bills.

4 This is the Restoration Advisory Board for the cleanup of munitions at
5 the former Camp Croft. To get the meeting started, I'm going to ask Shawn,
6 my co-chair, fellow co-chair, to brief everybody about what the RAB is all
7 about.

8 BY MR. BOONE:

9 As Gary said, my name is Shawn Boone. I work for the Army Corps of
10 Engineers.

11 As many of you may know, Camp Croft was an infantry training base
12 during World War II, and, in 1947, they stopped operations there and turned
13 the land back over to other landholders.

14 This project, the Corps of Engineers' project at the former Camp Croft
15 is specifically about contamination that was laid down during that time frame,
16 during World War II, and not about any current pollution issues that may be
17 resulting from current operations.

18 So, I know there have been a lot of press and some complaints to DHEC
19 and EPA lately about some ground water issues associated with some
20 manufacturing in the area. So if you're here about that, we'll try to answer the
21 questions as best we can, but mostly and specifically this meeting is about the
22 former Camp Croft, the infantry training base, so just to let you all know.

23 BY MR. HAYES:

24 Okay.

25 We want to get into new business now.

1 We'll have a project update by the United States Army Corps of
2 Engineers.

3 BY MR. BOONE:

4 So there's no real project update. We've entered a new fiscal year.
5 Federal fiscal year runs from October 1st to September 30th, and so we didn't
6 receive funding this fiscal year to do any removal of the anomalies we identified
7 in the geophysical investigation. However, it is scheduled for 2011, the next
8 fiscal year; and if there's any extra money nationwide, we're hoping to be able
9 to provide for that and get some work done.

10 We did, however, award a three-year contract to Zapata to facilitate
11 this RAB, and so they'll be with us for that duration.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 Okay. Next on our agenda, the Sheriff's Department munitions response.
14 Lieutenant Dyas, do you have anything to report?

15 BY LIEUTENANT DYAS:

16 We haven't had any --- we haven't been very busy regarding the Camp
17 Croft area. We do have a new certified tech that just got back, so now we have
18 four certified techs at the Sheriff's Office that can respond.

19 We have --- we respond in teams of two, so we have to have two teams,
20 well, two that we can respond to anywhere throughout the county or anywhere
21 we need to respond, so we are --- we've got some more equipment coming in so
22 that we --- each team can have enough equipment to respond to wherever we
23 have to respond down in that area. So we're covered 24/7, so we're good now.

24 BY MR. HAYES:

25 Okay, and to report munitions just dial 911.

1 BY LIEUTENANT DYAS:

2 Yes.

3 BY MR. HAYES:

4 All right.

5 Anybody have any questions from the Sheriff's Department?

6 (NO RESPONSE)

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 Okay. Our next on our agenda will be community outreach tools. It will
9 be by the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

10 BY MR. BOONE:

11 The last time we met we spoke with the RAB about some different
12 options to educate the public about our project, and we had a presentation by
13 our public affairs officer that sort of gave an overview of different strategies
14 for reaching out to the public and educating people about our project; and so
15 the take away from the last meeting was that we would come back with some
16 specific examples of some things that we had talked about, specifically
17 brochures and some other tools to reach out to different audiences.

18 So, Glenn Jeffries is here, and she's put together just some examples of
19 different tools here. There is this tri-fold brochure. You want to pass those
20 down that way, and then there's a more traditional type of fact sheet that we
21 could produce to educate people about the project; and actually Zapata has
22 produced one here for everybody, you guys can get them, that tells specifically
23 about the Camp Croft project; and then, Glenn, if you want to address some of
24 the other issues.

25 BY MS. JEFFRIES:

1 We talked about different audiences and things we could use while
2 talking to different audiences; and if we decide that we do want to go into some
3 of the schools, we talked about getting Sergeant Woofy to come in costume.

4 We have these kind of fliers that we could display that relate that the
5 elementary kids relate to very well. We also have these coloring books that we
6 could have put together that sort of explain and talk about the three Rs, which
7 is recognize, retreat and report, and we know that's the main message that we
8 want to get across to the public that if you see something and you don't
9 recognize it, don't pick it up. Recognize, retreat from it immediately and
10 report, call 911, and they'll handle it.

11 So that's the main message we want to get out to the community and
12 there's just a lot of different ways that we can do it, and these fact sheets are
13 just some of the ways; and last time we looked at the video. We talked about
14 that.

15 I think --- and we talked about just trying to get attendance at the
16 meetings. We have that tonight, so that's great, and I think we can get our
17 message out that way.

18 It's really a decision that you all need to make about what direction you
19 want to go in, and Shawn and I are happy to help you once you decide.

20 BY MR. HAYES:

21 Okay. Does anybody have any questions about the community outreach?
22 Discussion?

23 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

24 We may want to open it to the board to get some of ---

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 Well, I asked if anybody's got anything to add or questions or any
2 discussion.

3 (NO RESPONSE)

4 BY MR. HAYES:

5 Okay. So the next on the agenda is old business, OOU12B EE/CA
6 findings. This will be by the Army Corps of Engineers.

7 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

8 A question was raised at the last meeting about the status and the
9 findings of an area of investigation during the EE/CA, OOU12B, and we just
10 wanted to follow up with that to that question.

11 That area of investigation was comprised of four 50 foot by 50 foot
12 grids. The area, and we have a map that we can point to here shortly if anyone
13 is interested specifically in looking at where that location is, there was some
14 right-of-entry issues, some rights-of-entries were denied, so that the entire
15 area was not fully investigated, hence the four 50 by 50 foot grids.

16 During that investigation, one UXO was found. It was an M9 rifle
17 grenade. It was found at four inches. No other fragmentation was found. No
18 other munitions debris was found during that investigation.

19 The recommendation for OOU12B is clearance for use.

20 BY MR. HAYES:

21 Well, I was the one that brought this matter up, and I have a lease on
22 this property myself, and I brought it up in the last two meetings, the one in
23 January and one in June, and at that time I stated that we were going to be
24 logging pulpwood out of there and also stated that the loggers were bringing in
25 logging machinery, and on their rubber tires they put chains on the tires to

1 make sure they didn't get stuck and get extra traction; and it was a hazard, if
2 there was munitions in there, that spinning the tires or even just going over a
3 piece of ground where something might have worked up to the top would be a
4 hazard to anyone around operating machinery or next to machinery.

5 So I asked at the last two meetings, I've asked Zapata and the Corps of
6 Engineers to let me know what the status of this was, and I haven't heard
7 anything until tonight. Our logging began in July, and so this is a little bit too
8 late; and like anybody else in here, if you ask somebody for something,
9 information, especially since January, one month, two months, three months
10 might be enough time, but from January to November I think is in excess,
11 especially when I stated that the logging would be starting soon, especially in
12 June I said the logging would be starting next month, and it's --- I don't know
13 what the holdup was, and there's got to be some kind of explanations, and
14 there's got to be something that comes about that if any one of you in here has
15 a problem, you should be able to get a response back from somebody if you ask
16 something, and I think it's only right for landowners to get something if
17 somebody is saying there's a problem, they should get some response back.

18 So, I'd like to read part of a Minutes which was from --- from a former
19 RAB meeting, and this is back in September 9th, 1997.

20 The former fire chief at the Croft Fire Department, David Mullinax, was
21 the chairman of the board then.

22 He says, "Okay. I passed out a piece of paper. This is a little topic on my
23 agenda that was in the July 26th *Herald-Journal Upstate*, page B-1."

24 Okay. This is from the September 9th, 1997, meeting.

25 This is the *Herald-Journal Upstate*, page B-1.

1 "This happened on Friday, July 25th. Those of you who did not read the
2 article, these kids found a grenade in a creek off of Cedar Springs Drive. I'm
3 going to say Robin Hood. It's not Robin Hood. Friar Tuck. It was Friar Tuck
4 into where the power lines go through the State Park. Now it was in the creek.
5 These boys found it on Friday, the 18th. It was reported to the Sheriff's
6 Department on the 25th."

7 Okay. That's the 18th to the 25th.

8 "That is a week after the grenade was found. We have two gentlemen in
9 the room right now that knew about it when it was found and did absolutely
10 nothing about it. One of them is a member of the board, Mr. Osborne. The
11 other one, Mr. McCain, and I'm appalled that when it happened that neither one
12 of the gentleman contacted anybody on this board, the Sheriff's Department,
13 the Fire Department, the Rescue Squad, the Army, Zapata, nothing. Nobody
14 was contacted."

15 "You all can read the article. It's right here in black and white. Gary
16 Henderson has the photos to prove it."

17 Gary Henderson worked with the newspaper.

18 Mr. Littlejohn to my right said, "Mr. Chairman."

19 Okay.

20 "By Mr. Mullinax: Yes, sir."

21 Okay. Mr. Littlejohn to my right. "In looking at the article and some
22 other things that have come to light, it seems that one of our roles here on the
23 board is to serve as a conduit for the flow of information to and from the
24 community; and we have members of the community placing their trust in us as
25 members of the RAB, who we've identified ourselves as members of the RAB,

1 and we violate that trust, then I feel that that also is a violation of our By-
2 Laws."

3 "Under Section J, it says, 'A RAB member may be removed from the RAB
4 by a majority vote if it is determined that the actions of the individual are not
5 in the best interest of the RAB.'"

6 "Endangering lives of the citizens of our community, much less a child, is
7 certainly not in the best interest of this RAB, and I'd like to put it in the form
8 of a motion that we terminate Mr. Osborne's relationship with the board."

9 Mr. George Mullinax, who is also a member of this board now, he's not
10 here tonight, seconded the motion.

11 I think this correlates with what happened with this on OOU12B. You
12 know it's the same thing. They had information about something that's out
13 there but don't come forward with the information. I think it's very un-
14 excusable, and I'd like some discussion with the board to see what they think
15 about this.

16 BY MR. BOONE:

17 First of all, I'd like to say that it was my responsibility to answer that
18 inquiry, and I take full responsibility for not answering that inquiry, and I'm
19 sorry that it wasn't in a timely fashion.

20 I misunderstood the requirement and the time frame of your work to be
21 done out there, and I apologize.

22 Now, also, everything that we know about this project is out on the
23 website and all the documentation is there. Additionally, I handed out my
24 contact information, email address, phone number, and anybody here is welcome
25 to call me at anytime and remind me of their agenda.

1 I apologize.

2 BY MR. HAYES:

3 Okay. When it comes to the right of entry, there hasn't been any
4 problem with the right of entry, Suzy. The right of entry was signed. It hasn't
5 been deleted. It hasn't been cancelled, and they've already been in there. They
6 were in there the first part of 1990, and these trees were planted back then.
7 They were like yearlings when they went in there, and now that we're just now
8 harvesting.

9 So, I don't know, this is --- you know, we want to try to go out into the
10 public and say, "Let's do the community outreach. We've got to teach people the
11 dangers," but then, on the other hand, when you ask for things, questions about
12 what's going on or what, they just said, "Well, just give me coordinates of where
13 it is. I can tell the loggers to stay away from this area," but I don't get
14 anything, and I can't tell the loggers anything.

15 So, you know, it's just kind of --- you know, when you have to approach
16 the logger and say, "Well, you're on your own because we asked for information.
17 We just it's, you know, if you get hurt, it's up to you," so I think it's just really
18 disappointing that things were like they were.

19 All right. Now new business topics. We have a lot of people in the public
20 now. Does somebody have something they'd like to bring up?

21 BY MS. SAMUEL:

22 Excuse me. My name is Pam Samuel, and I came in late on the part of
23 what you was saying about this is just for the bombs and things that you all was
24 talking about, so this doesn't have anything to do with the tanks that's in the
25 Pine Ridge area and various areas? It doesn't have anything to do with that?

1 BY MR. BOONE:

2 No, ma'am.

3 BY MS. SAMUEL:

4 This is my first time at the meeting in the area. It was told to me that
5 this was the meeting to come and talk about the tanks, but it's not?

6 BY MR. BOONE:

7 No, ma'am, it's not. This meeting is about the Army Corps of Engineers'
8 project associated with the former infantry training base at Camp Croft, what
9 used to be Camp Croft.

10 BY MS. SAMUEL:

11 Okay. Oh, okay. I just wanted to make sure.

12 Thank you.

13 BY MR. HAYES:

14 Are the gas tanks on the former Camp Croft?

15 BY MS. SAMUEL:

16 Excuse me?

17 BY MR. HAYES:

18 Are the gas tanks on the former Camp Croft?

19 BY MS. SAMUEL:

20 Yes, they are.

21 It's just gas tanks everywhere in the area, and it's just terrible. You
22 know, from my understanding I thought we was here for, you know, the
23 appearance of the tanks and just various things that was happening there in the
24 Pine Ridge area and other places as well.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 Okay. Do you have evidence of what led you all to believe what you
2 believe or what you thought the meeting was about?

3 BY MS. SAMUEL:

4 Well, it was told to me when a guy in our backyard just recently had one,
5 and there was a meeting about, you know, the tanks, and if you have anything to
6 say about them or, you know, the appearance of it, that we have that right to
7 come, you know, and talk to you all about it.

8 BY MR. HAYES:

9 Yes. Well, I think a lot of those tanks were constructed --- you're
10 talking about the oil tanks over there?

11 BY MS. SAMUEL:

12 Oil, yes. Uh-huh (affirmative response).

13 BY MR. HAYES:

14 The gas tanks. I think most of those were constructed after the camp.
15 It might be on the former camp property, but I think most of those were
16 constructed after the camp.

17 BY GENTLEMAN IN THE AUDIENCE:

18 Well, does it have to do with the water?

19 BY MR. BOONE:

20 No, sir.

21 BY GENTLEMAN IN THE AUDIENCE:

22 Well, I'm at the wrong place then.

23 BY MR. HAYES:

24 Okay. Sir, can you state your name for a record?

25 BY GENTLEMAN IN THE AUDIENCE:

1 (Inaudible).

2 BY MR. HAYES:

3 Okay. Yes, ma'am.

4 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

5 Good afternoon. My name is Gloria Williams, and I, too, live in that ---
6 having lived in that area before. As a child, I grew up in that particular area
7 that Pamela Samuel was referencing talking about, and actually those tanks has
8 been there many, many, many years. My mom and my dad, they also have been
9 there numerous of years. So we grew up in that particular area.

10 Several years back we had a spill, and it was a very big spill down in that
11 area. There was a leakage. Does anyone remember that?

12 BY MS. SAMUEL:

13 Quite a few.

14 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

15 Yes, it was a leakage from that from the tanks, and we had to evacuate
16 down to the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church.

17 BY MR. HAYES:

18 Do you all live up the hill from Mt. Sinai?

19 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

20 Uh-huh (affirmative response), up the hill. I lived right in the vicinity ---

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22 Yeah. Uh-huh (affirmative response).

23 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

24 --- of the tanks, you know, and my concern tonight is, I might not be at
25 the right meeting, but I'm going to say this because my concern is that over the

1 years that we have lived in that area, we have drank well water. So we know
2 there are some seepage from there from the previous years, and my concern is
3 that the health of myself, my children, my mom, my dad, and all of the
4 neighbors that have lived in that area.

5 BY MS. SAMUEL:

6 Exactly.

7 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

8 And my question is where do you get this information from? Who do you
9 talk to in reference to that?

10 BY MS. SAMUEL:

11 Exactly.

12 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

13 This may be the wrong meeting tonight.

14 BY MS. SAMUEL:

15 That's right.

16 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

17 I'm sure it is.

18 BY MS. SAMUEL:

19 Uh-huh (affirmative response).

20 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

21 But my concern is that there's someone that I know that we can talk to in
22 reference to that.

23 BY MS. SAMUEL:

24 Right.

25 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

1 Am I right about it?

2 BY MS. SAMUEL:

3 That's right.

4 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

5 Okay. All right.

6 BY MS. SAMUEL:

7 Don't doubt about it.

8 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

9 Okay. All right, and as you --- and as you said earlier, if you state
10 something and you put a question out there, we --- we expect an answer.

11 BY MS. SAMUEL:

12 And I agree with you.

13 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

14 Yeah, and so that's what I'm just saying, you know, because I drink that
15 water, and I'm 54 years old now, so I drink that water many, many, many years.
16 We even had gardens back in those days, and we had well water, and those
17 tanks were there then, and that's 54 years.

18 BY MS. SAMUEL:

19 Uh-huh (affirmative response).

20 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

21 I'm 54, so my mom and dad, they're my parents, and you know they're
22 much --- my mom is 75 years old.

23 BY MS. SAMUEL:

24 Right.

25 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

1 So those tanks has been there lots of time --- a long time. I lived in the
2 Huntingwood's area for numerous of years myself when I moved out from my
3 mom. So I've been in that area all my life. All my life I've been in that area,
4 which it is a good area. It's a good growing area.

5 BY MS. SAMUEL:

6 Right.

7 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

8 My concern is I know that there has been a lot of people that has passed
9 on, my father, my aunts, my uncles, due to some of those leakage of those
10 tanks, those fumes that we have inhaled over the years.

11 BY MS. SAMUEL:

12 That's right.

13 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

14 That's my concern. So if you, if anyone on the panel has any information
15 who we need to talk to in reference to that, we would --- we would like to know
16 that information.

17 BY MR. SCATURO:

18 I ---

19 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

20 Yes, sir.

21 BY MR. SCATURO:

22 I work for DHEC.

23 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

24 Okay.

25 BY MR. SCATURO:

1 On this project.

2 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

3 Uh-huh (affirmative response).

4 BY MR. HAYES:

5 State your name, sir.

6 BY MR. SCATURO:

7 My name is David Scaturo.

8 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

9 Uh-huh (affirmative response).

10 BY MR. SCATURO:

11 And I'm not aware of the tank situation.

12 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

13 Right.

14 BY MR. SCATURO:

15 But I'm sure that the district office ---

16 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

17 Okay.

18 BY MR. SCATURO:

19 --- here in Spartanburg is aware of it and can answer your questions ---

20 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

21 Okay.

22 BY MR. SCATURO:

23 --- regarding that. If you could --- if people are interested in that
24 information could leave me some contact numbers, ---

25 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

1 Okay.

2 BY MR. SCATURO:

3 --- I'll get the district to call you guys back ---

4 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

5 Okay.

6 BY MR. SCATURO:

7 --- and provide that information.

8 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

9 Okay, and also, too, excuse me, is there any way possible the people of
10 that area, could we have a meeting with someone that's ---

11 BY MR. SCATURO:

12 Yeah, I'm sure ---

13 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

14 --- able to ---

15 BY MR. SCATURO:

16 --- they'll talk to you.

17 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

18 Okay.

19 BY MR. SCATURO:

20 Yeah, absolutely.

21 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

22 Okay. That's --- that will be one step further than where we are now.

23 BY MR. SCATURO:

24 Okay.

25 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

1 Thank you. You're so very kind.

2 BY MR. HAYES:

3 Maybe you all could get together down at Mt. Sinai or something and get
4 a group together, and ---

5 BY MR. SCATURO:

6 Yeah.

7 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

8 Yes.

9 BY MR. HAYES:

10 --- get everything discussed.

11 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

12 That would be very --- oh, thank you so much.

13 BY MR. SCATURO:

14 I'm sorry I don't know anything about it.

15 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

16 That's okay. That's okay, but I just know I just knew about it numerous
17 of years as a child coming up.

18 BY MR. SCATURO:

19 Right. It's DHEC.

20 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

21 It's DHEC, right, because DHEC was the company --- DHEC has moved up
22 on Pine Street there, right?

23 BY MR. SCATURO:

24 I ---

25 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

1 On old Pine somewhere. It's on old Pine right there.

2 BY MR. SCATURO:

3 I don't ---

4 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

5 And they have --- at one time they even notified us. I went up to DHEC,
6 signed a form saying that --- that there had been a problem with that with the
7 seepage of the gas over the years and all that stuff, so.

8 BY MR. SCATURO:

9 Right, and this is the Pine Ridge area?

10 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

11 Pine Ridge. Uh-huh (affirmative response).

12 BY MR. SCATURO:

13 Okay.

14 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

15 It's called East Spartanburg.

16 BY MS. SAMUEL:

17 Right.

18 BY MR. SCATURO:

19 DHEC will contact you after the new year.

20 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

21 Okay. Thank you. Thank you very much.

22 BY MR. HAYES:

23 All right. Thank you, sir.

24 Yes, ma'am.

25 BY MS. JENKINS:

1 The last --- the problem I have been having the last six months there's a
2 strong foul odor.

3 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

4 Where do you live? I'm sorry. Where do you live?

5 BY MS. JENKINS:

6 I live at 134 Simpson Street also in the Pine Ridge area.

7 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

8 Oh, Pine Ridge. Okay.

9 BY MS. JENKINS:

10 Right up from Pine, right up from the church, Mt. Sinai Church.

11 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

12 Yes, ma'am.

13 BY MS. JENKINS:

14 Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, and my home church, but there's been a strong
15 odor around there. I don't know what's going on. I don't know what's going on,
16 but what I've seen is that right up here, it's not Ashley, but it's another oil
17 company, they have taken up a whole lot of stuff out of the ground; and I don't
18 know if that foul odor is coming out of the ground, but at night around two,
19 three, four o'clock in the morning that odor is rotten. It's around it's all over.
20 It's such a strong foul odor, and I called DHEC, and they were supposed to
21 return my call because she knew exactly what I was talking about and no one
22 has gotten back in touch with me, and that was my concern, and my name is
23 Sheila Jenkins.

24 BY MR. SCATURO:

25 Do you know who it was at DHEC you talked to?

1 BY MS. JENKINS:

2 It was a young lady. I got the name at home.

3 BY MR. SCATURO:

4 Cindy Parton {phonetic spelling}.

5 BY MS. JENKINS:

6 That's exactly right. That's it exactly. She said that she understood
7 what I said, and that there was a couple of more complaints that had come
8 through, and she --- but she hasn't returned my call.

9 BY MR. HAYES:

10 Thank you, Ms. Jenkins.

11 Robin, you had something to add?

12 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

13 Just for the history. In 1941 before that camp was built, the defense
14 pipeline from Baton Rouge, Louisiana to Fairfax, Virginia was run through Camp
15 Croft, and there were a large number of oil tanks out there, including two
16 underground half million gallon tanks that still exist out there in the Plantation
17 Pipeline, and those private oil companies took those tanks over at the end of the
18 war. In fact, that was in 1946.

19 There's currently nine oil companies out there. There's a lawsuit, which
20 James Lancaster and a number of these people in here filed against all nine oil
21 companies. That's probably why most of these people are doing here tonight.
22 That's how they thought it tied in with Camp Croft.

23 BY MR. HAYES:

24 Where are the underground tanks?

25 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

1 As you go down Union Street coming from, say, coming from where the
2 old depot used to be where Plantation Pipeline used to be, the one that sits
3 right in front or outside the railroad, and another one is about 50 yards back.

4 In fact, in 1973, when they had that oil embargo, Plantation Pipeline was
5 able to dip into those tanks and extract fuel after all those years. It was still
6 there, and ---

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 If ---

9 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

10 --- I've got photographs, though. I'll be happy to show any of these
11 people in here to show that they did exist during the camps here.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 So you go past Clement Lumber Company. It's down on the --- the tanks
14 are down on the left?

15 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

16 Yeah.

17 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

18 And --- but, Robin, let me make sure I understand, on that side of the
19 road that was not part of the camp.

20 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

21 No, that was where the --- that was where the Camp Croft oil storage
22 was.

23 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

24 Correct, but that wasn't --- but that was not part of the camp.

25 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

1 No, that wasn't part of the camp.

2 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

3 Wasn't part of the military encampment.

4 BY MR. HAYES:

5 But its private industry had storage there for the camp?

6 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

7 Yes.

8 BY MR. HAYES:

9 Okay. All right.

10 Appreciate it, Robin.

11 Okay. Anybody else have anything to add?

12 (NO RESPONSE)

13 BY MR. HAYES:

14 Okay. Board, you have anything you want to discuss?

15 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

16 Let me say, I think we've got a contact list over here where people have
17 signed in. I think it would be good to make sure that information was
18 transferred to DHEC, so that DHEC would have that information in order to
19 contact these people.

20 Unfortunately, you've been misled by someone to attend this meeting, and
21 I apologize for that, but you're on the right track with DHEC and also with the
22 EPA, Environmental Protection Association.

23 BY WOMAN IN AUDIENCE:

24 Excuse me.

25 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

1 Yes, ma'am.

2 BY WOMAN IN AUDIENCE:

3 Well, why was this paper sent out to people?

4 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

5 I don't know why you would have ---

6 BY WOMAN IN AUDIENCE:

7 --- that said about explosives ---

8 BY MR. LITTLJOHN:

9 Yes.

10 BY WOMAN IN AUDIENCE:

11 --- in the Camp Croft area.

12 BY MR. BOONE:

13 My understanding was that there was another meeting about the issue
14 that you're concerned about where there was a sign-in sheet.

15 BY WOMAN IN AUDIENCE:

16 Okay.

17 BY MR. BOONE:

18 And DHEC requested that we put those names on the mailing list to get
19 information about these meetings, which is why you received that card.

20 So there's just been a miscommunication between all the various channels
21 about the different aspects of different projects.

22 So if you don't want to be on the mailing list, that's fine.

23 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

24 On a mailing list? I mean this type of information?

25 BY MR. BOONE:

1 Yes, ma'am.

2 BY MS. JEFFRIES:

3 Just to notify that the RAB meetings are set for every three months.

4 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

5 Oh.

6 BY MS. JEFFRIES:

7 Every three months, and they talk about the issues of the former FUD
8 sites.

9 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

10 I have a quick question.

11 Just think about this. What would happen if one of those tanks exploded
12 in that area?

13 Would you just --- just think about that? I know God forbid that to ever
14 happen, because I'm 54. I lived that just that long, but just as old there's a lot
15 of tanks here full of gas, because I know it's full of gas because the trucks
16 come out every day and they refuel them there, but just think about in your
17 mind if one of those tanks happen to explode in that particular area, it won't
18 matter what side of the world you lived on, what side of Camp Croft, East
19 Spartanburg or whatever. It would take out a lot of families, a lot of hard
20 working people.

21 That is a dangerous, very dangerous area. People live there. It is not so
22 much --- money has its place in this world, but your life and your health and your
23 strength is far more important than money.

24 You know, if you --- shhhh. Excuse me.

25 Excuse me. (Referring to audience.)

1 Your life and your health and your strength is far important than money.
2 Being able to see and to walk and to talk and to love your family members every
3 single day, and I just think that if one of those tanks explodes, that would be a
4 travesty down in that area, but only for my family, but --- but numerous of
5 families for miles away that lives in that area. That's terrible, so we need to
6 really get on --- onto this quick, fast and in a hurry, because we don't know what
7 tomorrow is going to bring. Am I right, sir?

8 BY MR. SCATURO:

9 Uh-huh (affirmative response).

10 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

11 Yeah, we don't know what tomorrow is going to bring. It's not so much
12 about money, because money has its place. When I die, I want to go to heaven
13 so money can't me there. I'm just saying that.

14 So I'm just saying we need to --- we need to look at that, because one of
15 these days, we're human beings, there's going to be an error, big error; and
16 when you can prevent something from happening, we need to do so, because one
17 of these days it will happen. I'm telling you all. I might be dead and gone, but
18 one of these days something bad is going to --- it has --- we have been warned
19 about three or four times in that area the seepage that we're having. They've
20 had to call the --- the fire trucks in and they had to put the soap suds stuff all
21 the way down --- down the street. They had to mark everything up. It was
22 terrible. It was terrifying to the children, to the family members. It was ---

23 BY MS. SAMUEL:

24 It's true.

25 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

1 It was just --- it was horrible. It was terrible. You know, if you're not
2 living in that area, you could say, "Well, okay," but if --- when you do live in that
3 area, it's another --- it's a different --- it's a different situation.

4 You know, I have lived in the area. Right now I don't. I live on Lucerne
5 Drive. I live in a different area, but, still, that's my mom is down there and
6 family people that I love and I grew up with and a lot of elderly people are down
7 there, you know what I'm saying, but those tanks shouldn't be there. They need
8 to be drained.

9 BY MS. SAMUEL:

10 Uh-huh (affirmative response).

11 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

12 And they need to be --- they need to do something else with those tanks,
13 put them somewhere else and not in no one's neighborhood.

14 BY MS. SAMUEL:

15 That's true.

16 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

17 Put them far away from people where we have to live, we have to inhale,
18 inhale every day. You inhale that stuff every day.

19 You know how we talk the smoke and toxins out of the cars and things,
20 and we talk about that all the time, that's the same thing. It's no different.
21 We do. We're dying of a slow death just inhaling in the air. That's what we're
22 doing, a slow death.

23 My name is Gloria Williams, and I --- and I --- and I love life and I love to
24 live life, and I hope to be around a long time in this life, but, you know, in order
25 to --- if you see something, you're just going to have a need to take a step

1 forward and take care of it like the missile, for example, needs to be taken care
2 of. You can't look the other way because it will happen.

3 Thank you.

4 BY MR. HAYES:

5 Thank you, Ms. Williams.

6 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

7 You're quite welcome.

8 BY MR. HAYES:

9 You don't look a day over 40.

10 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

11 Thank you. You're so very kind.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 Okay. Well, it's just like you said. It's a solution to something, and one
14 thing Frosty Bauknight taught me at Clemson: "Solution to pollution is
15 prevention not dilution."

16 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

17 That's right.

18 BY MR. HAYES:

19 Okay. Lieutenant Dyas, you've got something?

20 BY LIEUTENANT DYAS:

21 I'd like to address that for her. I'm Lieutenant Dyas from the
22 Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office. I'm law enforcement commander. I'm
23 also on the Hazmat team, and I deal with these type things. We train with
24 those types of issues. We've actually trained down in the Arkwright area. We
25 have looked into that situation, and so I'm trying to put you at a little bit of

1 ease. We feel the same way that you do that that's a problem down there and
2 the biggest problem down there if something was to happen, so we have done
3 tabletop exercises in regard to those tanks either exploding, catching fire, or
4 even the chemical company down there, we've done tabletop exercises, what to
5 do in those type of situations either shelter in place or evacuation, and we
6 looked at the different types of evacuations. We've looked at how quickly we
7 could actually do that.

8 We've actually have gone out and taken a step further and actually gone
9 out and done exercises regarding that. So we're trying to be prepared for
10 what you're talking about, and I just wanted to put you at a little bit of ease on
11 that, that we also think, and this is Spartanburg County Council along with that,
12 also, because they take what we do, as far as the Hazmat team is concerned, so
13 there's a lot of --- lot of officers that volunteer their time to come out and
14 train and get prepared for any type of incident like that that might take place.
15 We are looking at that. We do see that as a problem down there, and one of
16 the bigger problems in Spartanburg County.

17 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

18 Thank you so very kindly. Thank you for that information. Thank you.

19 BY MR. HAYES:

20 Okay, buddy, you've got something you want to add?

21 (NO RESPONSE)

22 BY MR. HAYES:

23 Oh, I thought he had his hand up.

24 Okay. Does anybody else have anymore discussion, anything you'd like to
25 add?

1 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

2 I will say goodnight. Thank you all.

3 BY MR. HAYES:

4 Thank you, Ms. Williams.

5 BY MS. WILLIAMS:

6 Thank you so very kindly.

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 Board, do you have anything else you want to discuss? You want ---
9 anything, new topics you want to bring up at the next meeting?

10 BY MR. TOBIAS:

11 So what they've said, Gary, is there's no funding this year but there may
12 be funding for next year to work off some of the designated areas?

13 BY MR. BOONE:

14 It's in the life cycle plan to fund the work next year, yes.

15 BY MR. TOBIAS:

16 Do you think it will actually get funding?

17 BY MR. BOONE:

18 Yes.

19 BY MR. TOBIAS:

20 Really?

21 BY MR. BOONE:

22 I do.

23 BY MR. TOBIAS:

24 Which area are we going to do first? The area by the Deaf and Blind
25 School?

1 BY MR. BOONE:

2 It will be the areas that they just finished the geophysical investigation
3 for, so 11C on three.

4 BY MR. TOBIAS:

5 Okay.

6 BY MR. HAYES:

7 Have you all been in touch with the property owner there?

8 BY MR. BOONE:

9 The golf course or the ---

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 No, the owner. What's his name?

12 BY MR. TOBIAS:

13 Jerry Campbell.

14 BY MR. HAYES:

15 Campbell.

16 BY MR. BOONE:

17 No, not --- not lately.

18 BY MR. TOBIAS:

19 Let's see, he's always gave permission in the past, and he's given
20 permission.

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22 Yeah, but I think it would be good to let him know something, because
23 he's making bank payments on that I think, and he's worried he's got a bad
24 investment, but, yes, sir.

25 BY MR. DOGAN:

1 What I want to know am I at the right meeting or what's going on?

2 Where am I at?

3 BY MR. HAYES:

4 This is the meeting for the munitions cleanup at the former Camp Croft.

5 BY MR. DOGAN:

6 And I was raised in that area, so.

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 Yeah, a lot of us were raised around there, and, you know, I know exactly
9 what Ms. Williams was talking about. I grew up close to where that natural gas
10 fumes are everywhere and everything. It's not just gasoline. It's that natural
11 gas pipeline and things. It's just --- it's all kind of stuff, but ---

12 BY MR. DOGAN:

13 Tell me about that pipeline, I know.

14 BY MR. HAYES:

15 You know, one thing we get good gas prices because we've got it coming
16 through here. We don't have to pay as much as everybody else, but then it's got
17 the good and the bad.

18 BY MR. DOGAN:

19 Yeah, I was a small kid when those lines were put down through there.

20 BY MR. HAYES:

21 Yeah, well, I was small, too, when Kelsey Creek caught on fire, and,
22 Jimmy, I know you ---

23 BY MR. DOGAN:

24 I was working. I was working in there.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 So I had a lot of friends went to school with me lived there. Some people
2 died in that fire.

3 Yes, ma'am.

4 BY MS. BOYD:

5 I just want to know when you all's next meeting, will you send us out
6 something and let us know?

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 Well, if your name is on the list, we ---

9 BY MS. BOYD:

10 Yes.

11 BY MR. HAYES:

12 Did you put your address down and everything?

13 BY MS. BOYD:

14 Yes, I did.

15 BY MR. HAYES:

16 If anybody doesn't want to be on the mailing list, just write on the list
17 that you don't want to be, and everybody else should, if you got a card this time,
18 you should get one next time.

19 BY MS. BOYD:

20 I didn't get one this time.

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22 Okay. Just put your name and address on there, and we'll --- because we
23 have, you know, a lot --- we want a diverse group, and we want to, the next time
24 we elect the board, we want a diverse group on the board next time, too. So
25 you look you'd be a smart person on the board. So, ---

1 BY MR. BOONE:

2 We typically have these meetings every three months, though.

3 BY MR. HAYES:

4 Yeah, about three times a year.

5 BY MS. BOYD:

6 Your next meeting will be January or February?

7 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

8 In that time frame.

9 BY MS. BOYD:

10 Probably February. I can contact you, couldn't I?

11 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

12 Yes.

13 BY MR. HAYES:

14 Okay. If anybody wants to look up anything, you've got the internet, it's
15 CampCroft.com. It's got a lot of contact information on there. It's got the
16 Minutes of the past meetings, and it's got all kind of information on there.

17 Anybody else?

18 BY MR. O'NEAL:

19 In addition, there's information at the local library in their expository.
20 It's been there since Croft was started out, so that's another location you can
21 find any information you might need pertaining to this.

22 I'm not sure about the tanks. There will be maps and those types of
23 things on there where we've, for lack of a better term, X-rayed down there
24 through the area, so you know you can use the information as needed.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 Well, I wish you all luck with all that, and I hate it's a problem. I wish
2 there was more we could do about it, but I think we got it started with DHEC,
3 and it's good to see you all getting together as a group to solve the problem.

4 That's what we're trying to do here is solve a problem, and we don't want
5 anybody hurt.

6 Okay. Everybody know what to do if you see munitions? Call 911. Get in
7 touch with the Fire Department, Police Department. Buddy, do you know how to
8 call 911? (Referring to child in audience).

9 Good. All right. Anything else?

10 (NO RESPONSE)

11 BY MR. HAYES:

12 All right. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

13 BY MR. MARLER:

14 So move.

15 BY MR. HAYES:

16 Second?

17 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

18 Second.

19 BY MR. HAYES:

20 Okay. Motion adjourned. Thank you for coming out.

21 (MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7:20 P.M.)



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**Restoration Advisory Board
November 17, 2009
6:30 PM**

**Marriott Spartanburg at Renaissance Park
Spartanburg, South Carolina**

Meeting Agenda

WelcomeGary Hayes, Community Co-Chair

New Business

- Project Update..... US Army Corps of Engineers
- Sheriff’s Department Munitions Responses Lt. Dyas
- Community Outreach Tools US Army Corps of Engineers
- Discussion of Community Outreach/Education..... Board

Old Business

- OOU12B EE/CA Findings. US Army Corps of Engineers

RAB New Business Topics

Adjourn

Your attendance and participation are encouraged for the success of this important project!

Reminder: Comments/questions shall be limited to two minutes on topic of discussion.



Former Camp Croft Army Training Facility

FACT SHEET

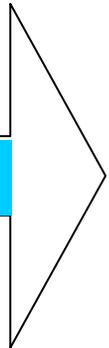
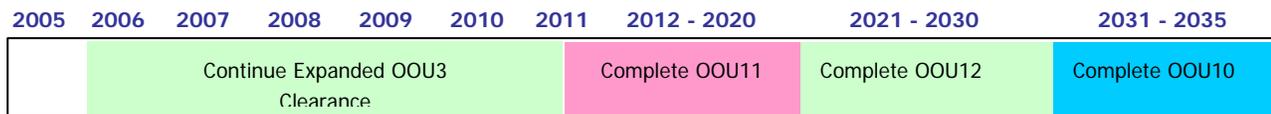
Between 2004 and 2008

a munitions removal was conducted on approximately eleven acres of the OOU3 expanded area in and adjacent to Wedgewood. Zapata Incorporated, under contract to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, removed 34 live munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) and 722 pounds of munitions debris during the removal effort that encompassed two brief field sessions (fall – winter 2004 and fall – winter 2005). Digital geophysical mapping was conducted in additional areas of the OOU3 expanded area and in OOU11 in 2007 – 2008.



Next Scheduled Activities:

- To be determined base on funding and priorities
- Clearance of remaining expanded OOU3 areas and OOU11



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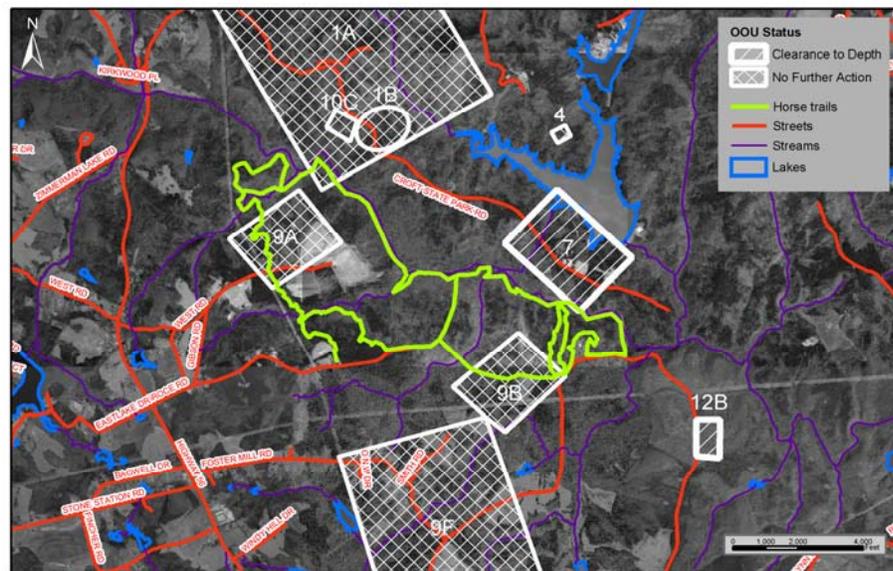
What is MEC?

- *MEC* consists of any artillery, missiles, mortar, ammunition explosives, etc. designed to cause damage to persons or material.
- **DO NOT HANDLE ANY MUNITIONS OR MUNITIONS - RELATED SCRAP. CALL 911.**



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Areas of Investigation as described in the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis



Notes: Horse Trails were cleared to a depth of 2 feet. OOU7 - Removal action completed.

Horse trails in Croft State Natural Area are located, in general, in areas that have been cleared of, or have not been impacted by explosive ordnance. This does not mean that all undeveloped areas of the park are free of ordnance.

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Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analyses (EE/CA) Process

An EE/CA identifies munitions concerns, current and proposed land use, and presents risk reduction alternatives with estimated costs for each area of concern.

The initial phase of an EE/CA may include the collection of geophysical data which is used to identify subsurface metallic objects. Data processing allows project personnel to select items that are the size of potential munitions item for intrusive investigation.



Intrusive investigations, or subsurface sampling, verify what is underground. Based on the past land use, items may include wire, household debris, or military munitions.

These data are evaluated and a risk analysis is conducted as part of the EE/CA.

Several risk reduction alternatives are considered in an EE/CA:

- No Department of Defense Action Indicated
- Surface clearance
- Clearance to depth
- Institutional controls (public education, fencing, land use restrictions)
- Combination of alternatives

The EE/CA document is available for review under a formal Public Comment Period. During this time, the document is available at the designated Information Repository.

At the conclusion of the Public Comment Period, the document is finalized, with a Responsiveness Summary written to address comments received.

An Action Memorandum, or decision document, specifies the selected risk reduction alternatives, and is signed by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Status of Munitions Response Action at the Former Camp Croft

Two Engineering Evaluations/Cost Analyses have been completed for the former Camp Croft. Areas of investigation are divided into smaller, more manageable areas referred to as ordnance operable units (OOUs).

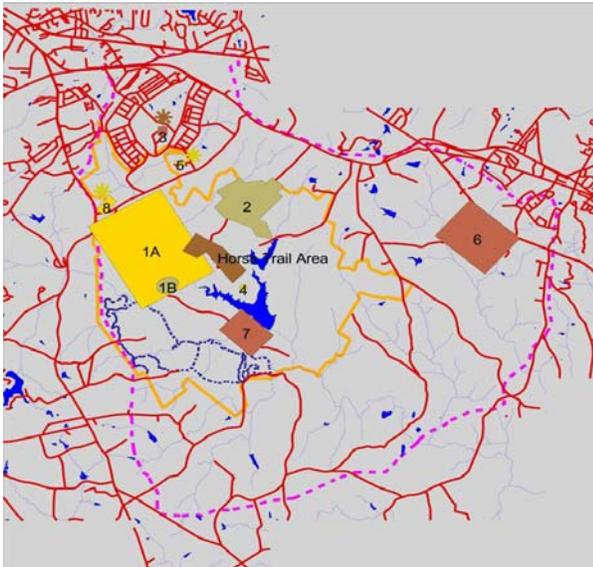
The EE/CA identifies ordnance concerns and presents risk reduction alternatives for each area of concern.

➤ Phase I EE/CA – January 1996

Action Memorandum dated February 1996

Identified 9 Ordnance Operable Units

- ❖ OOU1A – Croft State Park/No Further Action
- ❖ OOU1B – Croft State Park/Surface Clearance/Complete
- ❖ OOU2 – Croft State Park/Surface Clearance/Complete
- ❖ OOU3 – Wedgewood Subdivision/Clearance to Depth/Complete
- ❖ OOU4 – Croft State Park/No Further Action
- ❖ OOU5 – Private Properties/No Further Action
- ❖ OOU6 – Private Property/Clearance to Depth/Complete
- ❖ OOU7 – Croft State Park/Clearance to Depth/Complete
- ❖ OOU8 – Croft State Park/No Further Action



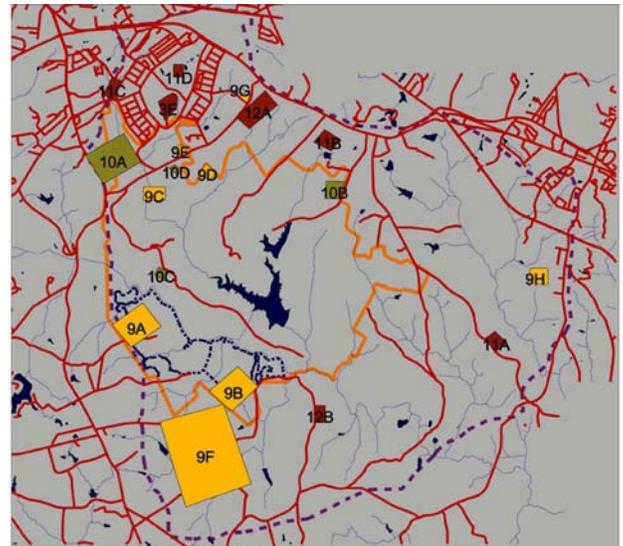
➤ Phase II EE/CA – January 1998

Action Memorandum dated March 1999

Identified 19 Additional Sectors

- ❖ OOU9A-E – Croft State Park/No Further Action
- ❖ OOU9F-H – Private Property/No Further Action
- ❖ OOU10 – Croft State Park/Surface Clearance
- ❖ OOU11 – Private Property/Clearance to Depth
- ❖ OOU12 – Private Property/Clearance to Depth
- ❖ OOU3 (Expanded) – Private Property/Clearance to Depth/Ongoing

Private properties in proximity to Henningston Road were not investigated due to Right-of-Entry refusal.



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