

**CAMP CROFT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

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PLACE: Marriott Renaissance Hotel  
Spartanburg, South Carolina

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, August 30, 2010  
6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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Jimmy Tobias

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NOT PRESENT:

Ronald Crawley  
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1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 If there's not any objections, we'll go ahead and get started. There are  
3 some people that told us they were coming, but maybe they got held up or  
4 something.

5 I'd like to welcome everybody here. When you want to talk, please raise  
6 your hand and be recognized and keep your communication germane to the  
7 subject, please.

8 It looks like the first thing on the agenda is the Corps of Engineers and  
9 the project update. I think Shawn said you have a slide show or something to  
10 show.

11 BY MR. BOONE:

12 Yes.

13 BY MR. SCHWALM:

14 I'm Jeff Schwalm. I'm with --- I'm the project manager for Zapata  
15 Engineering for the Camp Croft site, and I also manage the field work this  
16 season.

17 We're going to discuss OOU11C, that's the most current field work that  
18 we completed.

19 We mobilized on July 6<sup>th</sup>. We began site setup. That was completed  
20 about the 16<sup>th</sup> of July.

21 Then we began the intrusive investigation on 7/20. We investigated  
22 2,067 anomalies that we had previously identified through geophysical  
23 investigation in 2008, earlier in 2008.

24 We received government acceptance for the work on 8/19, and we  
25 conducted the site cleanup and demobilization on 8/24.

1 This is the area where we conducted the investigation on OOU11C, and  
2 that's on Cedar Springs Drive just north of the intersection of Huntington right  
3 there, and the investigation was on both sides of the road and up towards the  
4 ball fields to the east.

5 In our investigation these results are preliminary. We discovered 30  
6 items that were specifically munitions debris. We have a few samples back  
7 there of some of the items that we recovered during the investigation.  
8 Approximately 1500 of the items were cultural debris, which is nails, cans, any  
9 kind of stuff that's from previous, you know, that the homeowners may have  
10 left around; and then we had about 525 no contacts and GRS, which is  
11 geologically responsive soil, which is hot rocks. The lot of the area is on a  
12 pretty geologic area, lot of iron, iron and rock in that in this area.

13 So, and we estimate about 1.5 percent of the anomalies were related to  
14 the Camp Croft and the activities here.

15 Then the scheduled activities for the future, we're working on a schedule  
16 right now to be in the field again either starting in December, but more likely  
17 the first part of January for the OOU3 buffer area, and we're looking to  
18 complete that work during January.

19 BY MR. HAYES:

20 Will you state for the record where that is?

21 BY MR. SCHWALM:

22 That's in the Wedgewood Circle area. I don't know if we have a --- we  
23 probably have an older map I can show that area later on. I don't know. I don't  
24 have a picture with me right here. I think I have a picture later I can show.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 I think Wedgewood would be fine.

2 BY MR. SCHWALM:

3 Yes, this is in the Wedgewood area.

4 That's all I have.

5 Questions?

6 BY MS. BYRD:

7 Susan Byrd, DHEC. I was wondering if out of the 30 munitions debris,  
8 was anything live or ---

9 BY MR. SCHWALM:

10 No.

11 BY MS. BYRD:

12 --- or were they all ---

13 BY MR. SCHWALM:

14 Yes, munitions debris is a term for any ordnance item that is not live. We  
15 did not find any live munition items during the investigation.

16 BY MS. BYRD:

17 Any fuses or did anything have to be ---

18 BY MR. SCHWALM:

19 No.

20 BY MS. BYRD:

21 --- detonated or anything?

22 BY MR. SCHWALM:

23 Nothing.

24 BY MS. BYRD:

25 Okay.

1 BY MR. SCHWALM:

2 Nothing at all.

3 BY MS. BYRD:

4 Thank you.

5 BY MR. HAYES:

6 Now what made this a site to look at to start with? Was there things  
7 down there before?

8 BY MR. SCHWALM:

9 Yes.

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 That made this to be a site?

12 BY MR. SCHWALM:

13 Yes. During one of the previous EE/CAs, there were two EE/CAs done in  
14 the '90s, those are Engineering Evaluation and Cost Analysis, and during one of  
15 those investigations, they found one small piece of munitions debris in one of  
16 the test areas within that area. So that --- so that caused in the action  
17 memorandum for them to do an investigation in that area, so that's resulted in  
18 this work now.

19 BY MR. HAYES:

20 I know that a lot of people question me why they picked that area when  
21 they started out searching out there. I don't know if you know there used to be  
22 a swimming pool right next to that area going towards the old Camp Croft Fire  
23 Department, and then the Baptist church has been there forever, even during  
24 the camp era, and also the Deaf and Blind School, and also there were all kind of  
25 camp buildings around that area. That's why people were questioning me why ---

1 you know, why would there be munitions close to the church and close to the  
2 school --- not the school --- well, the school, the Deaf and Blind School, but the  
3 swimming pool and other buildings, so.

4 BY MR. SCHWALM:

5 Understood. Yeah, that was in some of the archives search information  
6 it did talk about that there was training conducted in that area. I think there  
7 was also a gas chamber and some other training activity took place, a confidence  
8 course and some other stuff was in that area at the time, so that's --- that may  
9 be have been the initial look because of that activity.

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 Was it routine back then to put a gas chamber close to a swimming pool?

12 BY MR. SCHWALM:

13 I don't know that there was a swimming pool back in the Camp Croft days.

14 BY MR. HAYES:

15 They've got three swimming pools.

16 BY MR. SCHWALM:

17 Is that --- I ---

18 BY MR. HAYES:

19 There was one right down the road. You go towards the old Camp Croft  
20 Fire Department. In that first house right there, wasn't there a swimming pool  
21 right behind that house and they filled it in?

22 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

23 Most definitely.

24 BY MR. SCHWALM:

25 So I don't know about that.

1 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

2 The first swimming pool it had.

3 BY MR. HAYES:

4 Was it common to have a gas chamber that close to a swimming pool?

5 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

6 I don't know, Gary.

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 Okay. That's what ---

9 BY MR. SCHWALM:

10 Well, it's ---

11 BY MR. HAYES:

12 --- people are questioning and asking me, so I'm just trying to get some  
13 answers ---

14 BY MR. SCHWALM:

15 Well, there's ---

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17 --- for other people.

18 BY MR. SCHWALM:

19 There was definitely some kind of training took place at that location,  
20 and there was stuff on it.

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22 Robin.

23 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

24 Across the road, across Road 88 in there, that was a 55 course No. 9, and  
25 it extended all the way to practically Dairy Ridge Road.



1 BY MR. SCHWALM:

2 Uh-huh (affirmative answer).

3 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

4 And that may be the reason you found a lot of stuff, what I consider a  
5 lot of stuff, because they went over there and sent them before they went on  
6 that 55 course. I think that's what the deal was there.

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 Were you --- the place you're describing, is that down the power line?

9 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

10 Yeah.

11 BY MR. HAYES:

12 High, high power line going towards the State Park.

13 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

14 Going towards the State Park.

15 BY MR. HAYES:

16 Well, it's on the State Park.

17 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

18 On the State Park. Actually it's on the State Park, and ---

19 BY MR. HAYES:

20 And that was where they had maneuvers down there?

21 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

22 Maneuvers.

23 BY MR. HAYES:

24 Would they go down towards the ammunition dump?

25 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

1           Towards the ammunition dump. I've never heard anything about a gas  
2 chamber being there, but there was a swimming pool very close.

3 BY MR. HAYES:

4           Kind of close to that first house.

5 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

6           Yeah, close to that first house, an Olympic size swimming pool.

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8           There was one there and there was one that we used to go to all the time  
9 when I was growing up right off Rosewood.

10 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

11           Yeah.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13           And there was a third one somewhere.

14 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

15           There was a third one. Its Huntingwood's there at the intersection of  
16 Cedar Springs Drive and ---

17 BY MR. TOBIAS:

18           Maid Marion.

19 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

20           Huh?

21 BY MR. TOBIAS:

22           Maid Marion.

23 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

24           No. Well, Maid Marion and Keatly. Maid Marion and Keatly. That's where  
25 --- that's where it is. It's still there today. It's covered up.

1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 Grown up, yeah.

3 I remember it now, but I couldn't --- couldn't remember it.

4 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

5 That's where the pioneer school, the infantry scout school was.

6 BY MR. HAYES:

7 Okay.

8 All right. So this is probably just \$400,000?

9 BY MR. SCHWALM:

10 I don't --- I don't think so. I don't believe it was that much.

11 BY MR. O'NEAL:

12 This particular piece of --- this particular piece of the project is what I  
13 was speaking of we're spending the two million dollars for --- I mean a million  
14 dollars for and redo those portions and pick those items that were in 11C and  
15 also in OOU3.

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17 I was just talking about this one area. What was the cost for this one  
18 area?

19 BY MR. O'NEAL:

20 It hasn't been broken down. I mean we can work it out for you, but it  
21 hasn't been broken down. For all of those areas it's about 1.1 million dollars.

22 BY MR. HAYES:

23 Okay. This area and OOU3 and what else?

24 BY MR. O'NEAL:

25 11C, OOU11C and OOU3 are 1.1 million.

1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 Okay. Welcome to the meeting. (Referring to someone who walked in the  
3 room.)

4 We just had an update on the cleanup down towards Kelsey Creek in  
5 between the Baptist church and the old Camp Croft Fire Department.

6 Anymore questions about this report from the Corps?

7 (NO RESPONSE)

8 BY MR. HAYES:

9 Okay. I know we got the saturation squad in town. We've got next on the  
10 agenda is the Sheriff's Department munitions response, but I don't see  
11 anything. Have you heard anything from them today?

12 (NO RESPONSE)

13 BY MR. HAYES:

14 Okay. So next is the RAB membership process of Zapata Engineering.  
15 We recognize them.

16 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

17 Yes. I just wanted to let everyone know that the current board assumed  
18 their position as the board back in January 2009. So it's time for us to start  
19 the new membership application process again.

20 All of you have applications for completing to be considered for the next  
21 board. The board serves two year terms. There are applications sitting next to  
22 the sign-in sheet. I have left applications in the library in the Kennedy Room on  
23 the second floor. We have online applications on the website, and I will also be  
24 sending them out to everyone on the mailing list, as well as we'll post a display  
25 advertisement in the newspaper early next month announcing the opportunity

1 for individuals who are interested in serving on the RAB to complete an  
2 application and submit it by the end of October.

3 If the board has other ideas on how we want to spread the word to  
4 encourage potential individuals who are interested in applying to get that word  
5 out, feel free to let me know. We can talk about it here this evening, but we  
6 will be getting all those applications out, and I encourage everyone to let folks  
7 know about the opportunity, and then that board will be effective early next  
8 year.

9 BY MR. HAYES:

10 Is this the last meeting for this year?

11 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

12 Yes, I don't know that we'll be able to get one in before the holidays.

13 BY MR. HAYES:

14 Okay. One thing I had about the last board was it was selected of people  
15 that picked who was on the board. People who were on the board at that time  
16 were chosen to pick who was going to be on the next board. So I think there  
17 needs to be a little more distance as far as --- you know, I don't think the  
18 board, whoever is on the board should pick who is going to be on the next board.  
19 There's a little bit --- not enough distance from that.

20 Have we got any kind of suggestions on how to elect, how to pick people  
21 that picks who is on the board. We haven't had this problem since we lowered  
22 the number of people on the board. We always had 18, and we never had over  
23 18 that applied, and so if anybody on the board got a suggestion as to how to  
24 get whoever picks on the board to be over nine people.

25 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

1           And I'll clarify. We do have a selection board, as Gary mentioned. The  
2 individuals that were identified for the board, I reached out to individuals who  
3 routinely come to the meetings to --- if they would be interested in serving on a  
4 selection panel, and they were also members of the previous board who chose to  
5 not run and submit an application for the current board.

6           So it may still not be the distance that you're looking for, but those  
7 individuals who were on the panel were individuals who served on the previous  
8 board and were not in the running for this current board, as well as individuals  
9 that that come to the meetings that are aware of what the program is about,  
10 but, yes, I --- any, any assistance on how we can reach out to a selection panel  
11 and get some outside interest.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13           We usually pick about three, right? It's usually about three people.

14 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

15           Three to five, right.

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17           Well, anybody here from the public would like to be in that process?

18 (ROBIN ZIMMERMAN INDICATES BY RAISING HAND)

19 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

20           I think, Robin, you did it last year.

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22           Robin. Jessie, would you like to?

23 BY MR. JOHNSON:

24           No, I would not.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 Ma'am, would you like?

2 BY MS. MOORE:

3 No, I just rather currently sit in.

4 BY MR. HAYES:

5 Ma'am?

6 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

7 Suzy, what do the Bylaws say about ---

8 BY MR. JOHNSON:

9 But I would like to say something else, if you don't mind.

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 Yes, sir.

12 BY MR. JOHNSON:

13 Speaking on electing people, how are you going to elect people on a board  
14 when they're not even here?

15 And the people that are here are the ones that know what's going on, and  
16 it wouldn't make sense to bring somebody here that doesn't know what's going  
17 on. It looks like you've already got your board there.

18 BY MR. HAYES:

19 Well, it's just all up to the --- you know, it's up to the public to do what  
20 this, this board represents the public.

21 BY MR. JOHNSON:

22 I've been here a year, and this is the public.

23 BY MR. HAYES:

24 Yeah, and that's why I asked if there's anybody here that would like to  
25 be on the selection panel.

1           It's just my concern that, you know, it wasn't enough distance away for a  
2 person on the existing board picks on who is going to be on the next board.

3 BY MR. JOHNSON:

4           Well, I believe in putting people on something that know what they're  
5 doing.

6 BY MR. HAYES:

7           Yeah.

8 BY MR. JOHNSON:

9           You know, don't put nobody on nothing that doesn't even know what's going  
10 on here.

11 BY MR. HAYES:

12           Well, we got a --- we know who was one of the original people. Maybe we  
13 can go to some of those original people who picked the very first board.

14 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

15           And we could. You can definitely look at that.

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17           We're looking for two more people. Robin said he would like to do it.

18 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

19           And Robin helped. Robin was on the selection panel last year as well.

20 BY MR. HAYES:

21           Yeah.

22 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

23           There is --- the Bylaws call for a selection panel, so it's not the  
24 contractor or the government making that selection, maybe try having an odd  
25 number for voting purposes, so we don't --- we minimized it.



1 But that's a good idea. I can go back through the previous attendees' list  
2 or sign-in sheets, which is what I did, and I called several individuals.

3 BY MR. HAYES:

4 Well, when the board first started, you had, was it three people from the  
5 community to go through the applications, and maybe those same people are still  
6 around.

7 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

8 I can try those, too. It's hard to believe it's been almost 15 years.

9 BY MR. HAYES:

10 Yeah.

11 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

12 Yeah, but I can reach back into some of those old sign-in sheets and ---  
13 and some of that information. We can put it on the website. I can add it to the  
14 ad in the newspaper if individuals are interested in serving on a selection panel.

15 BY MR. HAYES:

16 Yeah.

17 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

18 And try to solicit interest that way, and any other ideas, as well.

19 BY MR. HAYES:

20 Okay. Is there any question about the membership process on the RAB  
21 board?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 BY MR. HAYES:

24 Okay. Zapata has got a report about the website use and statistics.

25 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

1 And actually I'll go back on one more step. I'm sorry.

2 On the board process, also the chair position is, your term is up about  
3 this point in time as well, so the board should consider, you know, what makes  
4 the most sense is to electing a co-chair, community co-chair, whether we look at  
5 that now or wait until we have the new board in place after the first of the year  
6 and do that election.

7 So that would be a decision that the board should make.

8 BY MR. BOONE:

9 Do you want a complete turnover of the whole board or do you want to  
10 stick around for another, at least another meeting?

11 Anybody have an opinion?

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 We usually we have a meeting with the new people.

14 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

15 Selected. The scheduling and sometimes the meetings are off by a  
16 quarter.

17 BY MR. HAYES:

18 Yeah.

19 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

20 So that the chair's term may be expired a quarter or a meeting before  
21 the new board comes on. So it's just kind of the logistics are off sometimes,  
22 but I --- that would be a decision that the board should make as to whether we  
23 should go ahead and follow the year term for Gary in a community co-chair  
24 position or we wait until the new board is in place at the next meeting and elect  
25 a community co-chair so they coincide.

1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 Do we have any discussion on that from anybody?

3 BY MR. SHOOLBRED:

4 I think it would make sense to wait until the new board is in place and  
5 elect from the new board.

6 BY MR. HAYES:

7 Okay. So the new board will be named at the next meeting?

8 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

9 Yes.

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 And then they'll take the office the next meeting?

12 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

13 We can --- we can do that. What did I say? I think they assume their  
14 position in January, so what that will actually do is push us back to naming them  
15 at the next meeting, which might be in January, and they would assume their  
16 position.

17 BY MR. SHOOLBRED:

18 And it may be March.

19 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

20 Yeah, and in the spring.

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22 Okay. Is everybody in favor of that?

23 BY MR. SPIETH:

24 Sounds good.

25 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

1           Okay.

2   BY MR. HAYES:

3           Okay.

4   BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

5           All right. So we will --- this board will have one more meeting after the  
6 first of the year, which we will name the new board that will assume the  
7 following meeting, and then that board will elect a community co-chair.

8   BY MR. HAYES:

9           All right. Anymore discussion on that subject?

10   (NO RESPONSE)

11   BY MR. HAYES:

12           Okay. Zapata has got a report on website use statistics.

13   BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

14           Sure. At the last meeting and in the past couple of meetings there was  
15 some comments about the website. I wanted to update everyone on that. One  
16 of the comments that was made was that some of the older transcripts were  
17 not on the website, and we did go back and look; and when we converted to the  
18 new domain, those did not carry over. They all are now posted and have been all  
19 summer, so all the transcripts from back in the nineties to the present are on  
20 the website. If anyone has problems accessing those, please let me know.

21           There was also a recommendation at the last meeting to post a field  
22 schedule and a map for the activities that were going to be taking place this  
23 summer. Shortly after that meeting, we did post the map and the field  
24 schedule of the planned activities, and we updated that field schedule last  
25 week. As Jeff reported, many of those field efforts have been completed, so

1 it shows those as completed, and then the schedule for after the first of the  
2 year. So that is on the website, as well, for everyone's reference.

3 There was also a question regarding the statistics and the usage because  
4 of the change in name, there were concerns that maybe some individuals and  
5 folks that are used to finding us at campcroft.com and now we're at  
6 campcroft.net might not be able to directly get to the site.

7 We have a usage tracking for the website on our server that we maintain  
8 at Zapata, and I just --- I just had some numbers pulled between July of 2008  
9 and February of 2010, which was the old domain name. On the average the  
10 website was being hit 4.68 times a day. So via various search engines or people  
11 going directly to the website or being referred from another website, about  
12 between four or five times a day the website is being hit.

13 The transition of the domain name to the new name in March of this year,  
14 between March and May, the tracking tool was not functioning. So between  
15 June and August we were able to track the usage, and right now we're at an  
16 average of one hit per day, and most of that traffic is direct traffic. Folks are,  
17 they're not Google searching. They're going straight to the campcroft.net  
18 domain name to get to the site.

19 So we're getting use. When you do Google Camp Croft, campcroft.net  
20 comes up. We do put it on all of our meeting announcements, the new website  
21 name. It's on the agenda. It's on the newspaper announcement.

22 So I think that the people that want to get to the site are able to get to  
23 the site, but I wanted to provide that update based upon your request from the  
24 last meeting.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 Was the Corps going to report about the new trifold mailer or brochure?

2 BY MR. BOONE:

3 Yes, we are.

4 BY MR. HAYES:

5 Okay. I didn't see that on the agenda.

6 BY MR. BOONE:

7 It's under the community outreach.

8 BY MR. HAYES:

9 Oh, okay.

10 Are there any questions on the website?

11 (NO RESPONSE)

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 Do you all have a figure on how much was spent on the website in the past  
14 year?

15 BY MR. BOONE:

16 That service is rolled into Zapata's contract to provide meeting and  
17 support for the RAB. So it's not a line item in the contract.

18 BY MR. HAYES:

19 So it's ongoing?

20 BY MR. BOONE:

21 Correct.

22 BY MR. HAYES:

23 Part of the meetings. Okay.

24 Any questions?

25 (NO RESPONSE)

1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 Okay. We'll go to old business, community outreach, Corps of Engineers.

3 BY MR. BOONE:

4 There has been a couple of efforts ongoing. Several meetings ago we  
5 were talking about ways to interact with the public and educate folks about  
6 how, what's going on with the project and what's the history of the project and  
7 things like that.

8 So one of the things the board recommended was to come up with a  
9 brochure that would give those backgrounds, and so I just wanted to pass some  
10 of these out so anybody can take a look.

11 BY MR. SPIETH:

12 So this is the same one you had sent us as a mailing out?

13 BY MR. BOONE:

14 Correct.

15 (PASSING OUT BROCHURES)

16 BY MR. BOONE:

17 So what you see there is a trifold brochure. One side has more or less  
18 the history of the camp. One side has a little bit about the project and what  
19 we've been doing over the last decade or so, and then also the --- for the Corps'  
20 goals is we want safety to be primary in people's mind, so, of course, that's a big  
21 message in the brochure as well, and of course contact information for the  
22 Corps and where you can find more information about the project and formerly  
23 used defense sites in general.

24 So at this point this document is a draft, and what I would like is for  
25 people to give feedback on it and make suggestions, and specifically the board,

1 but I'm willing to hear suggestions from anybody, and we'll modify it and bring it  
2 back for a final look over at the next meeting, and then we'll go to print with it.

3 BY MR. TOBIAS:

4 Do you think maybe, Shawn, we ought to put the Camp Croft website on  
5 it?

6 BY MR. HAYES:

7 It's on the center.

8 BY MR. BOONE:

9 Yes, it's on there.

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 Under "How can I become more familiar with the project?" It's in that.

12 BY MR. TOBIAS:

13 Okay.

14 BY MR. BOONE:

15 Right.

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17 A lot of times, anytime you have a domain name like that, you'll make it a  
18 different color and make it stand out.

19 BY MR. BOONE:

20 All right.

21 BY MR. TOBIAS:

22 It looks pretty good to me.

23 What do you think?

24 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

25 I think it looks good.



1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 Okay. Has everybody got a copy? Everybody in the public got a copy of  
3 it? Anybody got any discussions about it? This is designed as a trifold where it  
4 can fit in a regular envelope and be mailed to anybody or something that  
5 somebody needs to pick up, and it can be a trifold, and we can put it out at the  
6 State Park where people sign in to camp or use the horse trails or whatever.  
7 When they get their membership at the State Park, they can be handed these.

8 How many do you think you are going to print out first, first round?

9 BY MR. BOONE:

10 I really haven't thought about how many, but I might have to consult with  
11 some marketing person. I don't have any idea. I imagine a few thousand anyway  
12 to get started.

13 BY MR. HAYES:

14 A lot of times when you get the volume, you get the price down per copy.

15 Anybody got any suggestions or comments about the brochure?

16 BY MR. SPIETH:

17 Yeah, just in the nitpicking department, but nobody, nowhere does it  
18 mention Spartanburg or Spartanburg County until you get back until about the  
19 third, the very back of it.

20 BY MR. BOONE:

21 Where would you suggest that information?

22 BY MR. SPIETH:

23 Probably in the former Camp Croft Army Training Facility in Spartanburg,  
24 South Carolina, or something or somewhere near the front.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 On the front page?

2 BY MR. SPIETH:

3 Well, yeah, you know, somewhere that says if somebody picked this thing  
4 up, you know, unless you're from here, you wouldn't necessarily know where Camp  
5 Croft was.

6 BY MR. HAYES:

7 Well, maybe have a map of the Spartanburg County or something to show  
8 where that is, too, or something.

9 BY MR. SPIETH:

10 Yeah, I'm --- you know, I'm just saying you need to identify that it has to  
11 do with Spartanburg, South Carolina, you know.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 Right. That's a good suggestion.

14 Up here on the front of the camp, is that North/South picture or how  
15 does that lay? Does anybody know? Robin, you know?

16 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

17 Yeah, that's a North/South picture.

18 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

19 That is North/South?

20 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

21 Yeah.

22 BY MR. HAYES:

23 And then at the very top under the Army Training Facility, that's  
24 Southport Road?

25 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

1 Right.

2 BY MR. HAYES:

3 Do you see any swimming pool?

4 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:

5 Yeah, I see one right here.

6 BY MR. HAYES:

7 Okay. Now if nobody has any comments or suggestions now, look these  
8 over when you get home or goofing off or ask some of your friends and family  
9 to look at it, and if you've got any suggestions, you have Shawn's email address  
10 on here in this black square. You can email Shawn. You can email me at  
11 HayesGary@yahoo.com and/or Suzy McKinney at Zapata Engineering, and we'll  
12 pass it over to whoever and make sure your suggestions and comments are  
13 looked into.

14 Anymore discussion?

15 (NO RESPONSE)

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17 Okay.

18 BY MR. BOONE:

19 There was one other item under community outreach that I understand  
20 was discussed at the last meeting, and that was signage at the State Park, and  
21 so I wanted to report that I've been in touch with the park.

22 John Moon is here, and we've been discussing the signage there and  
23 placement of different items at strategic points, and we've agreed to come up  
24 with a message and specific language for the signs, and our plan is that the  
25 Corps will provide the signs for the park, and we'll work together to place them

1 and get the public educated in the right fashion. Of course, there's always this  
2 balancing act between educating and not alarming the public. So we want to be  
3 as informative as possible without discouraging visitors. So that will be our  
4 task.

5 BY MR. HAYES:

6 We want to thank Mr. John Moon for coming out tonight, the park  
7 superintendent. He does a great job out there.

8 Have you had any incidents lately, Mr. Moon?

9 BY MR. MOON:

10 Not --- not anything that --- no, we have a lot of them coming out.  
11 There's a lot more people coming out now to who are just hearing about Camp  
12 Croft and want to see, you know, where their fathers might have trained or  
13 their grandfathers, some of them may have trained and that kind of thing. As  
14 far as munitions and ordnance of any kind, we haven't had any in quite a while.

15 BY MR. HAYES:

16 Have you all had any areas that you think might need to be cleared for  
17 the future or anything?

18 BY MR. MOON:

19 I think the biggest thing we've been running into here lately, as I was  
20 telling Shawn, that was we were trying to open a few new trails, that some of  
21 the trails have been there for quite a while, but, obviously, they're renegade  
22 trails or social trails through the park or created even by a motorcycle or  
23 horseback riders from 40 years ago, and there's a lot of times lot of people are  
24 still getting on those trails today, and one of the things as the State what we  
25 do is we have to get ordnance cleared.

1           So what I have been doing right now is basically following the steps that  
2 the Palmetto Trail Conservation or Palmetto Conservation Foundation took with  
3 the Palmetto Trail and just wrote a letter. We've put a letter together. We've  
4 still got to get Mr. James, the park service director, to sign off on it, and  
5 pushing that through the US military.

6           They came out and done Fort Jackson come up and done some clearing for  
7 us two years ago on the Palmetto Trail through the --- through the north area  
8 just --- just below this area right here, what we call the horseshoe, but it ---  
9 you know, where the Palmetto Trail comes out at the Cedar Springs Baptist  
10 Church, so that whole stint is like a four mile stint they did for us, so that's ---  
11 it's in the same area.

12           Those trails are in that same --- the same area. It's about --- we haven't  
13 GPSed them, but it's about three miles, I guess, of trails in that area that we'd  
14 like to at least get --- you know, trying to get surface again. We're not trying  
15 to do --- we're not doing deep penetrating, you know, ordnance, you know, scan,  
16 but just basically surface scan. Those guys will come out and will bring  
17 everything you need if you do find something, but, you know, obviously, it's a  
18 surface scan. It's not a deep penetrating scan by any means, so that's --- that's  
19 the biggest thing. I mean, obviously, you'll hear more about those maybe as we  
20 can build stuff. There's not a lot of construction, per se, going on, lot of digging  
21 and building of any kind of buildings or anything like that coming up at Croft, so  
22 that's --- obviously, that's got a lot of do with the reason why there's not a lot  
23 of action taking place; but it is, it's --- if there's anything, I guess I'll just add  
24 this, but if there's any nuisance, as the lady said, left behind by the World War  
25 II infantry camp is certainly ordnance, and I didn't realize that so much until I

1 become the park manager at Croft for the last three years. It's --- it's tough.  
2 It's just one of those things. It's hard to --- it's hard to get around. You've got  
3 --- there's a lot of red tape and obviously safety issues. There's no one in here  
4 that can say that there's a definitely an opportunity that one won't go off  
5 tomorrow, but at the same time there's still that chance that it could, you know.  
6 There's a good chance that it could go off. You never can tell, and that's safety  
7 is a huge concern for the State Park Service just like it is for the Army Corps  
8 of Engineers and what you guys are doing here.

9           So it's --- actually that's about --- that's the extent of what we've been  
10 working on is trying to open a few trails and get stuff cleared there, and we've  
11 just been utilizing the US military, obviously. It's --- they'll come out and do it.  
12 It's at no cost, and if --- if they have the time. I mean it's just a service that  
13 they're providing for recreational purpose. They help us out.

14           You know, if there's easier ways to go about it and where the Park  
15 Service, well, obviously, there's no money, you know, that's --- if there's other  
16 options out there, it would be nice to know of any options if there's --- you  
17 know, there's not a lot of money, you know, taking place, obviously, in the Park  
18 Service at this time. It doesn't have any money at all, so it's pretty tough  
19 there, too.

20 BY MR. HAYES:

21           We're just working together with state agencies and government  
22 agencies and working together to help the community good.

23 BY MR. MOON:

24           And we've done a lot. I mean, like I said, I --- the rest of that is we've  
25 been working on a lot of different things. The trails is probably the biggest

1 thing coming up working with the Forestry Commission. We've been kind of  
2 trying to do things for a while and just, you know, and, of course we talk about  
3 it here and just the whole fire management thing and that kind of thing, but  
4 obviously the big factor there is just, you know, deciding that's something we  
5 can do and have, you know, clear your trails for you and that sort of stuff, or,  
6 you know, if there was a fire breakout at Croft right now, you just don't want to  
7 bulldoze it all down and start plowing, you know, if you can put off a fire, you  
8 can put stuff out, obviously, that's the best way.

9         If you go in and start cutting in some fire lines and protection line and  
10 that kind of thing, you know, wild land fire, that kind of thing, just something  
11 you just don't do at Croft. You know, so that's --- that's the other part of that  
12 thing that would be nice to be able to some day have at least that, and I don't  
13 think you'll ever clear Croft or, you know, at every single, you know, piece of  
14 border that exists. We just had an opportunity to put some easements in and  
15 that kind of thing and that's something else we've been working on for a while  
16 trying to figure out if lightning hits the ground right now and it went up in  
17 smoke, it would --- it would take a lot of, you know, there's not really many,  
18 many accesses in there for several thousand acres.

19         I mean the good thing about Croft is it is split up fairly decent with some  
20 logging roads, some decent roads and some paved roads, creeks, and then  
21 Fairforest Creek, Kelsey Creek and lakes and that kind of thing, so it would be  
22 nice to have a few other cuts in there and cuts some property down there in  
23 half. We've got a 2,000 acre tracking device to have a way of go cut in the  
24 middle of that and reduce it in half, that kind of thing.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1           And have access to the Forestry Department.

2   BY MR. MOON:

3           Right.

4   BY MR. HAYES:

5           Or whoever.

6           Okay. I'd like to also recognize Mr. Brad Bramlett with the Forestry  
7 Department. He's been helpful, very helpful to us in the past. He's here today,  
8 and have you all had any fires in that area lately?

9   BY MR. BRAMLETT:

10           No, I want to kind of echo some things that John said. As a matter of  
11 fact, I talked with Valerie maybe a few weeks ago or so, John, and she called  
12 me up, and we were --- she's in the Columbia office. What is her title, John? I  
13 forget.

14   BY MR. MOON:

15           She's --- she's basically the resource manager, but resource manager.  
16 She's not really a chief, but she's under --- under the chief. She's right up  
17 under the chief. She's the resource manager and such.

18   BY MR. BRAMLETT:

19           Right. One of the things that, and I'll just go ahead and tell you up front  
20 that we kind of started off really well the ball rolling about two years ago, and  
21 then I was moved and transferred to Newberry, and in that time process we  
22 hired a new guy to take my place, and with just our budget cuts, and just like  
23 John said, I mean, we're just barely staying above water. If we don't get any  
24 money July 1<sup>st</sup>, we may be going under water, but, anyway, but I'm glad that  
25 Valerie told we are going to get things back going again.



1           We're probably going to start off doing some baby steps, things like  
2 maybe going to Henningston Road, and you know, like what John is talking about  
3 is taking a big area, and there's an old county road that's there, for instance,  
4 and blade it out, and you can take something that's fairly big and make it a little  
5 bit smaller.

6           So if we did get a lightning fire or a campfire or somebody throwing out a  
7 cigarette or whatever, hopefully it's going to be excluded with --- and we won't  
8 even close our door, and we can compartmentalize it off, and believe or not  
9 about --- John, was it about that time you came or right before we had the car  
10 got stolen and ---

11 BY MR. MOON:

12           Right as I got there.

13 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

14           There was a car stolen and driven on the --- on the lower part of the  
15 park, and they drove --- I'll tell you, you couldn't have got that car through the  
16 woods any better than if you tried, and I think he was trying to make it all the  
17 way to Fairforest Creek, but he went about a quarter mile through the woods.  
18 The car crashed, set the woods on fire, and in several places the fire actually  
19 crept up to one of their trails and went out.

20           So the trails, I went, I went out and checked a lot of the trails, and the  
21 trails look good. They've done a good job, and a lot of instances it will stop a  
22 slow moving fire. It's not going to stop a head fire; and what Valerie and I  
23 talked about is if we've got a really bad fire, we might actually have to go even  
24 further out in front of the fire and set a back fire to --- so, in essence, we  
25 could have a three, 500 acre or 1,000 acre fire, so just because what's John is

1 saying, we can't --- we can't safely get up there into the interior part of the  
2 woods to fight the fire with our dozers.

3 Now we do have a working relationship with the Spartanburg Sheriff's  
4 Department and Bomb Squad. When we had a fire just a little bit after July 4<sup>th</sup>  
5 about three or four years ago, it wasn't on the park, but it was just right off  
6 Henningston Road and the Bomb Squad actually came out. They walked out in  
7 front of our dozers, and we waited in line.

8 It was about a four or five acres fire, and they found about 20 RPGs out  
9 there, and they detonated all of them. There's no way to tell by looking at them  
10 if they're live or not. I think once you get them up you can see there's a rod in  
11 there. I think those are the training ones, is that right? I think that's what I  
12 was told. It's been a while, but looking at them on the ground you can't tell if  
13 they're live or not, so obviously you treat them as if they're live. So we will get  
14 back together.

15 The other thing our agency is going to do is to get with there's three fire  
16 service areas that cover the whole Camp Croft. You've got the Croft Fire  
17 Department, Glenn Springs-Pauline and Pacolet, and we're going to get with  
18 those three fire chiefs and have sort of a --- our own battle plan if we get a  
19 large fire in that area on what to do, because we don't want them out charging  
20 in there, as well as somebody possibly getting hurt. So it may be to the point if  
21 we get a fire, if you get our dispatch in Newberry that covers the 19 Upstate  
22 counties, I just took a map and I just highlighted the whole area, and we call  
23 that the hot zone. So if you get any kind of fires in that grid, our dispatchers  
24 know to make sure that our --- those are operating procedures, contact their  
25 supervisor before they go in and start fighting the fire.

1 Other than that, we're just going to --- again, we're going to be taking  
2 some steps trying to do some things here and there. It might be that we can  
3 work out something with them.

4 Again, I know they're strapped for cash just like we are, and we will, we'll  
5 try to work out some kind of relationship between us and them on doing some  
6 work maybe at no cost or look to see if there's any kind of grant money, you  
7 know, for that as well.

8 We do have some what we call fire wise community federal grants at the  
9 US Forest Service that we can look into seeing if they might be able to use on  
10 the park. We would have to write an assessment of some of the surrounding  
11 communities, but we can possibly do that as well.

12 BY MR. HAYES:

13 Would it help if the board wrote a letter in there with it to help get it?

14 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

15 Yeah.

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17 Let us know.

18 We can draft something up.

19 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

20 Okay.

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22 And try to get the funding.

23 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

24 Okay, but other than that, that's it, unless anybody has got any questions.

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1           We're sure --- we're pleased tonight to have both of you here tonight, so  
2 you all are pillars of the community and big assets, but I want everybody to  
3 understand that Brad did get a promotion to move to Newberry but he's still  
4 over this area, right?

5 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

6           I'm over the nine eastern Upstate counties.

7 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

8           How many dozers do you have in those nine counties?

9 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

10           We have use --- we've got three in Spartanburg, two in Union, two in  
11 Cherokee, two in York and two in Chester. Most counties have about two or did  
12 have three, and maybe one or two have four, but most of them have about two  
13 per county.

14 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

15           What's the average age?

16 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

17           They're old. We've got one actually right now, we just got one replaced,  
18 and when I say, "Replaced," we're talking replaced with a 1996 unit, but the unit  
19 was actually older than the operator. It was an '89, and the fellow was born in  
20 '89, so it was just, the unit was actually, the dozer and transport was actually a  
21 few months older than the guy operating it, but we luckily got him a '96, but  
22 we're on that 15 year replacement cycle, and, of course, when the budget is hit,  
23 it just went out the window, so we'll be lucky to get 20 or 25 years on this one.  
24 I'll tell you what, Gary, that might would be helpful would be our State Forester  
25 has gone to Washington to try to get some federal funds for equipment, dozers,

1 and I'll talk with him to see if a letter from the board to the --- to the senators  
2 and representatives for South Carolina if that would help maybe move things  
3 along a little bit.

4 BY MR. HAYES:

5 And maybe we can get the Sheriff's Department to go along, too, and, you  
6 know, it just might take some brainstorming to put the right letters together,  
7 more than one, to get the message across.

8 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

9 That's true.

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 Because --- and I --- I always worry about the fire down there from all  
12 the campers being in there and one main entrance.

13 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

14 Yeah.

15 BY MR. HAYES:

16 I mean what's the evacuation route, you know, but that would be --- man,  
17 that would be terrible, because you have to walk out or leave your possessions  
18 and, you know, but ---

19 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

20 If it got real bad enough, there's a possibility we've got, our agency has a  
21 relationship with the Greenville County Sheriff's Department where their  
22 helicopter, we provide them with what we call the bambi buckets, just the single  
23 buckets, they dip down in lakes and pick it up and they drop water. We provide  
24 them the bucket, and they have a general understanding to help us on these  
25 related fires. It's generally in Greenville, Spartanburg, Oconee, sort of the

1 mountain corridor, but if you had a rip roaring fire that might be threatening  
2 structures, that's mainly about normally you would do it with structures and  
3 possibly camp, campers or something. We may get --- Jimmy, I don't know. Do  
4 you think they would be --- they would go along with that?

5 BY MR. TOBIAS:

6 They'd come.

7 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

8 That's something we'd have to --- those things are not cheap. Whenever  
9 we have to activate the Blackhawks through the military, it's \$4,000 an hour.  
10 So it doesn't come --- it's not cheap, and we used that on the Myrtle Beach fire,  
11 and I forget how many thousands of dollars we used. I think one air drop from  
12 air tankers is like \$10,000. So that stuff can get expensive.

13 One thing I do want to mention is, when John and I, we met several years  
14 ago, and Valerie and I talked about this the other day, too, is some of the areas  
15 we want to prioritize will be where we have holes that are fairly near State  
16 Park property, and I feel sure we probably can get some grants to go in and  
17 possibly put in some kind of fire break or something, have to get the Bomb  
18 Squad out or Fort Jackson or something to stand before us and make sure  
19 everything is cleared and they can come in and put it in some breaks. These  
20 would be more high profile areas where we obviously don't want a fire to start  
21 on the State Park and come over and burn houses up. Those are some more of  
22 the focus areas we want to look at as well.

23 BY MR. MOON:

24 That's something, too, that we talked, Brad and I talked, must have been  
25 right after you guys. We talked about the trail proposal and the ordnance

1 there and went in with that and trying to see what, you know, what they're what  
2 the United States military could or would do for us and reaching out to find out,  
3 you know, just what else they might be, you know, interested in doing. A lot of  
4 times, you know, and I don't know. I don't know. It could be maybe that  
5 perhaps is enough. They're out more out for recreational purposes, you know, in  
6 this case, they open up the trails for recreational opportunities for the  
7 community. I don't know. It would be interesting to see if they would also be  
8 willing whether or not, you know, to create some fire breaks between high  
9 impact areas where there could be fire, and more potentially than it would be in  
10 an area of farmland or just some, you know, pumped up property or something  
11 maybe sitting close to us.

12 Henningston Road has got a lot of --- it's got a lot of folks living off of  
13 Henningston Road and that end of the park all the way around basically over ---  
14 you know, on over to Cedar Springs, and, you know, around that way, so there's a  
15 lot of --- lot of different areas living in that particular area that has houses.

16 BY MR. HAYES:

17 Well, was that the last fire? That fire you're talking about with the car,  
18 that was over behind Antioch Cemetery. I was down there that night. Was  
19 that the last fire on the park or was that it?

20 BY MR. MOON:

21 On the park? No, that was --- yeah, that was a right off the power line if  
22 you went to the dump. If you went to where the dump is, or used to be, you  
23 took a left on that power line stand all the way, maybe its Fairforest Creek  
24 right next to this building and this room. It wasn't far at all. I don't know it  
25 made it down there.

1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 You're talking about down where the Hot Spot?

3 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

4 Yeah.

5 BY MR. MOON:

6 Yeah.

7 BY MR. HAYES:

8 That was over behind the Antioch Cemetery.

9 BY MR. MOON:

10 Well, then this one here was the one, this particular car I'm talking  
11 about, you guys helped us get it out, was --- it was right off Fairforest, and it  
12 was --- and it wasn't --- like I said, it wasn't --- it wouldn't have kept this room  
13 from being ---

14 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

15 I think you're both talking about the same area. They did go back behind  
16 the cemetery, but they drove so far in, they went almost all the way to  
17 Fairforest Creek.

18 BY MR. HAYES:

19 Fairforest Creek?

20 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

21 Uh-huh (affirmative answer).

22 BY MR. TOBIAS:

23 I think we had one on Dairy Ridge.

24 BY MR. BRAMLETT:

25 We had one on Dairy Ridge before that fire.



1           Yeah, there had been another one.

2   BY MR. TOBIAS:

3           There has been another one since then.

4   BY MR. BRAMLETT:

5           Well, there's one right up near Dairy Ridge and Southport, but that  
6 wasn't on the park. That's where they were clearing off putting some houses in  
7 a pasture or something up there.

8   BY MR. TOBIAS:

9           I believe there was one right there around Pineview Road.

10   BY MR. BRAMLETT:

11          It could be.

12   BY MR. TOBIAS:

13          Pineview Road. I'm pretty sure it was.

14   BY MR. BRAMLETT:

15          I can check. Our CAD system, our computer at dispatch ---

16   BY MR. TOBIAS:

17          I don't know if we sent a dozer, but I know the fire department went out.

18   BY MR. BRAMLETT:

19          Yeah, I can even find out how many fires over the last one year, five  
20 years we've had that, so.

21   BY MR. MOON:

22          And that's the biggest thing, the two main, for the main fire that I am  
23 aware of since I've been there at least. Some of the workers of the park know  
24 more about it than I do anything behind or before me, but that was the --- that  
25 fire and the one that was off, just off Henningston Road Brad was speaking of

1 that was on the private property that bordered the park property. I was there  
2 when that happened, too, so I remember that one, but for the most part that's  
3 been the --- well, we --- well, the only fire we had any kind of threat or anything  
4 that really broke out and took off and burnt some stuff, we had the fire, the  
5 power company come in, you know, and put up a power line in the park. Thought  
6 we had it all in replaced, and didn't realize that we had left a section on a long  
7 power line stand laying on the ground with power to it, but popped down on the  
8 ground and it burned. It didn't burn very much at all. It was a small, very small  
9 fire, maybe the size of maybe two pickup trucks parked side by side. So it was  
10 nothing, nothing big at all.

11 BY MR. HAYES:

12 But it could have been bigger.

13 BY MR. MOON:

14 Yeah, it could have been a lot bigger, absolutely. The good thing about it  
15 was we were there. We were actually there when we saw it and kind of was able  
16 to contain that fire immediately, but absolutely it could have been different.

17 BY MR. HAYES:

18 That's one thing, there's things we know of and things we don't know of.

19 BY MR. MOON:

20 That's right.

21 BY MR. HAYES:

22 You know, I talked with those guys from Wofford down there on  
23 Fairforest, 17 of them walking down there on a beer bust and had about three  
24 or four campfires going ---

25 BY MR. MOON:

1 Uh-huh (affirmative answer).

2 BY MR. HAYES:

3 --- in the middle of the night, but you're talking about two tickets a piece  
4 I think got the word out, so just things like that in the middle --- in the middle  
5 of night, you just don't know. It could be burning and nobody there, be there to  
6 report it. The fire catch and go out of sight, and you've just got to have the  
7 right weather conditions, low humidity and dry and things could really turn into  
8 a critical situation.

9 BY MR. MOON:

10 We've got a good relationship with DNR, just having those fellows even  
11 helping us control 7,000 acres is a huge help. I mean, you know, I guess, I mean  
12 it's bad to say as the economy has gotten worse or however you look at it, you  
13 know, it's not the best, and it's --- you know, there's a lot more people are just  
14 don't have anywhere to go, and then the thing in the back of mind plays into, you  
15 know, 7,054 acres is the place. You know, they ain't got nowhere else to go, you  
16 know, so you just wonder how many --- I haven't seen anything like this, and I  
17 don't know. I don't know that occurs, but there's always that possibility of  
18 homesteaders just looking for something, you know, don't have nowhere else to  
19 turn.

20 BY MR. HAYES:

21 Yeah.

22 BY MR. MOON:

23 I mean it doesn't take but, you know, just a fire, you know, you honestly  
24 believe that you've got it under control and, you know, a lot of people you can  
25 look at and don't realize they're doing anything, I mean, like anything, anything

1 is possible. It can happen out of nowhere. You know, help getting somebody  
2 here to help put this out if it gets out of control, like we spoke about it, it's ---  
3 it's a big job. It doesn't seem like it when you see somebody do that, but it is,  
4 and it's --- and when it gets really big, it costs a lot of money.

5 BY MR. HAYES:

6 Just maintaining the woods and everything is a big job. I know one day  
7 we were out, I saw a leak on Jerry's crawler, a fuel leak, and he said, "I didn't  
8 see that. I'm glad you saw it." He went and got it fixed. The next thing he had  
9 a big fire up in northern Spartanburg County. So something like that can burn  
10 quick and up in a hurry, you know. Just don't always have the time or money to  
11 do preventive maintenance on certain things. Just, hopefully, we'll be lucky in all  
12 this.

13 Anybody have any questions for Mr. Moon or Mr. Bramlett?

14 (NO RESPONSE)

15 BY MR. HAYES:

16 Anybody want to add anything?

17 (NO RESPONSE)

18 BY MR. HAYES:

19 We have any new RAB business topics? Anything anybody else wants to  
20 discuss or bring up or bring up at the next meeting?

21 (NO RESPONSE)

22 BY MR. HAYES:

23 Okay. Board, have you got anything to add?

24 (NO RESPONSE)

25 BY MR. HAYES:

1           Okay. It looks like we're coming to an end. We have a motion to adjourn?

2   BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

3           So move.

4   BY MR. HAYES:

5           Second?

6   BY MR. TOBIAS:

7           Second.

8   BY MR. HAYES:

9           Second. Okay. Call meeting adjourned. Thank you for coming.

10 (MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7:30 P.M.)

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 2 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
 3 ) CERTIFICATE  
 4 COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG )  
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6 This is to certify that the within RAB meeting was taken on  
 7 the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010;

8 That the foregoing is an accurate transcript of the meeting  
 9 given;

10 That the undersigned court reporter, a Notary Public for the  
 11 State of South Carolina, is not an employee or relative of any of the  
 12 parties, counsel or witness and is in no manner interested in the  
 13 outcome of this action.

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and  
 15 Seal at Spartanburg, South Carolina, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

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 Sandra Satterwhite  
 Notary Public for South Carolina  
 My Commission Expires: 3/14/17

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**Restoration Advisory Board  
August 30, 2010  
6:30 PM**

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

**Meeting Agenda**

Welcome ..... Gary Hayes, Community Co-Chair

**New Business**

Project Update..... US Army Corps of Engineers  
Sheriff's Department Munitions Responses ..... Lt. Dyas  
RAB Membership Process ..... ZAPATA  
Website Use Statistics ..... ZAPATA

**Old Business**

Community Outreach..... US Army Corps of Engineers

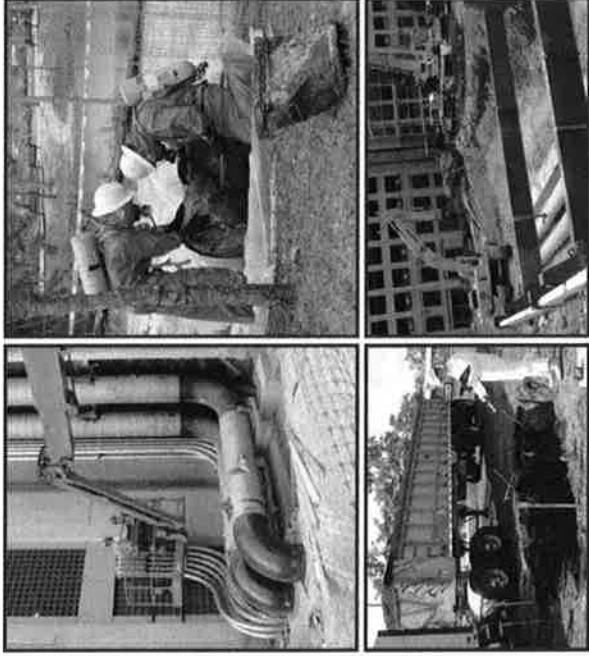
**RAB New Business Topics**

**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.

**Please note the new website address of [www.campcroft.net](http://www.campcroft.net).**



## Camp Croft Field Work Update



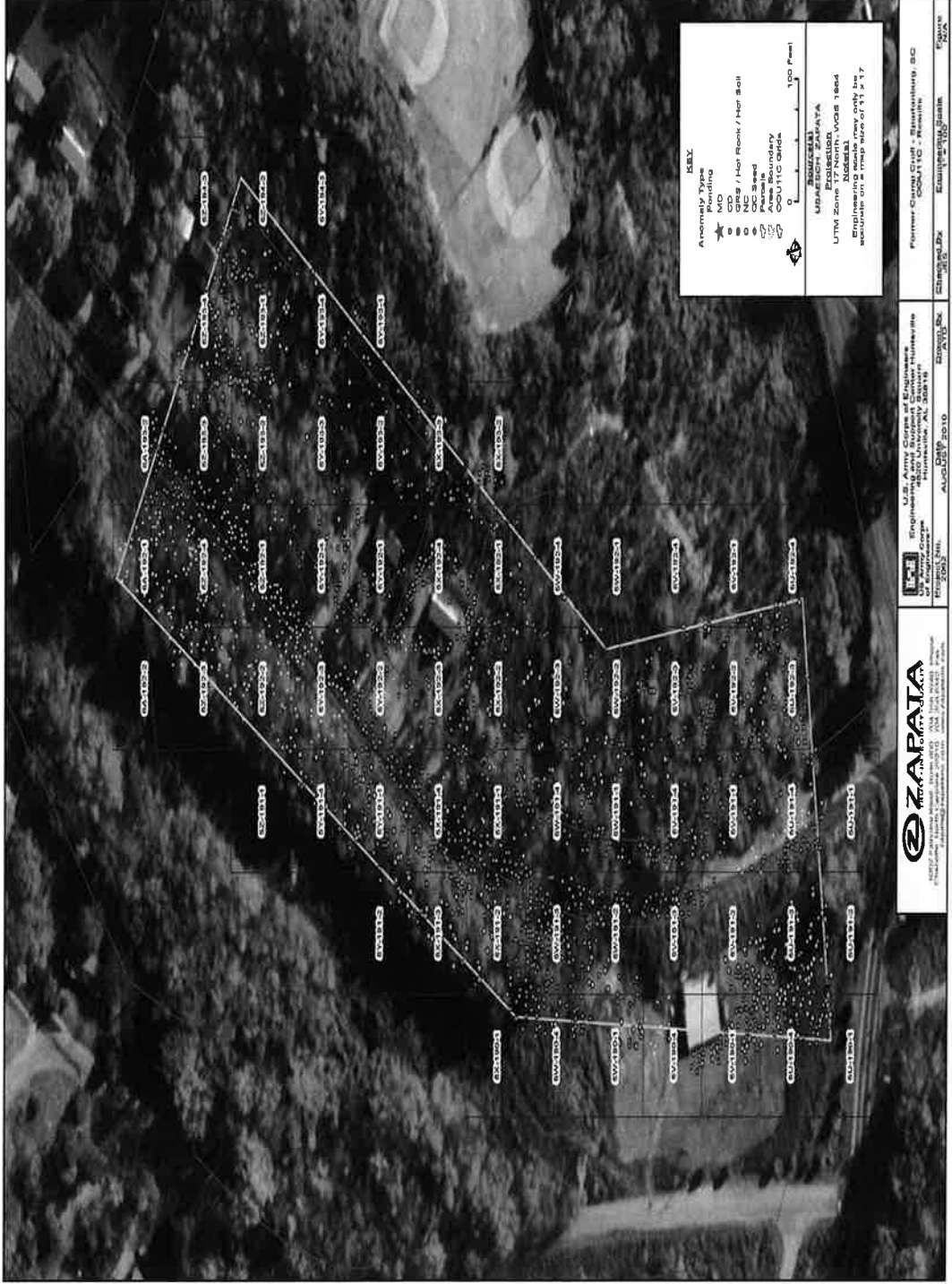


# 00U11C

- Mobilized July 6, 2010
- Site setup and survey complete 7-16
- Began intrusive investigation 7-20
- Investigated 2067 anomalies
- Received Govt acceptance 8-19
- Site clean up and Demob 8-24



# Clearance Area



**KEY:**

- Anomaly Type
- Pending
- CD
- GPS / Hot Rock / Hot Soil
- GCR seed
- OGC seed
- Area Boundary
- OGU 11C cards

Scale: 1" = 100 Feet

UTM Zone 17 North WAS Tests  
Engineering note (may only be accurate on a map scale of 1" = 17')

 <p><b>ZARATA</b> INCORPORATED 10100 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Suite 400 Atlanta, Georgia 30339 Phone: 404.443.1000</p>	 <p>US Army Corps of Engineers Engineering and Support Center Huntsville Huntsville, AL 35896 PROJECT: AUG-2010 DRAWING: <b>EMPA002</b> DATE: <b>8/17/2010</b></p>	<p>Former COLM Civil - Birmingham, SC ODU 11C - Results PROJECT: <b>EMPA002</b> DATE: <b>8/17/2010</b></p>
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# Investigation Results

- 2067 anomalies investigated
  - 30 were Munitions Debris
  - 1512 were Cultural Debris
  - 525 no contact/GRS
- 1.5 Percent of anomalies were related to Camp Croft



# Scheduled Activities

- OOU3—January/February 2011



## The History of Camp Croft Army Training Facility

World War II brought about the need for more training facilities across the United States. James F. Byrnes, a S.C. Senator and Spartanburg native, was instrumental in bringing a training camp to the area. War Department negotiations for a proposed site in Delmar, five miles south of Spartanburg, were completed in late 1940 and ground breaking ceremonies were held on December 5, 1940.



Entrance to Croft Military Police, Outpost #2

Construction began the following week, and by January of the next year more than 12,000 contracted employees were at work, converting the tobacco and cotton fields into a cantonment area, series of firing ranges, gas obstacle training course, and grenade court. The name of the camp honored Greenville, SC native Major General Edward Croft, the US Army Chief of Infantry who died in 1938. The first troops would begin training on March 7, 1941, and use of the facility would end in 1946.

The Former Camp Croft was used for a variety of different purposes. It had at least 11 live ammunition-training ranges used for small arms ammunition, anti-tank rockets, anti-aircraft artillery, 60-millimeter infantry mortars, and 81 millimeter infantry mortars. The training range impact areas comprised a total of 16,929 acres. The camp also had a grenade court covering approximately 175 acres.

The entire Camp Croft acreage was declared excess to the War Assets Administration in 1947. Over the next 3 years the land was disposed of piecemeal by sale or quitclaim to organizations and business interests and former owners. One of the most significant acquisitions was 7,088 acres of fee land conveyed by quitclaim deed to the South Carolina Commission of Forestry, later to become Croft State Park.



For more information on either the former Camp Croft Army Training Facility Site or the Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) Program in general, please contact:

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Visit the Formerly Used Defense Sites Program Web site at:  
<https://ekopowered.usace.army.mil/ecop/>

US Army Corps Of Engineers  
Charleston District

# Former Camp Croft

# Army Training Facility



**If you didn't drop it,  
don't pick it up!  
Remember the 3 R's**



# FORMER CAMP CROFT: Environmental Response

The Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) requires the Department of Defense (DoD) to identify, investigate and clean up contamination resulting from past practices on any property that was formerly owned, leased, possessed or operated by DoD. Such properties are known as Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS). Camp Croft is a FUDS which conducted army training and stored explosives during World War II.

In January 1996, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District began a two phase environmental investigation at former Camp Croft Army Training Facility (CCATF). Phase I identified nine ordnance operable units (OOU), which are smaller, more manageable areas of Camp Croft, to be investigated. Phase II began in January 1998 and identified 19 additional OOU's for investigation. Activities include environmental sampling, munitions removal and report of results for future projects.

Beginning in 2004, Zapata Engineering, under contract with the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville, has been tasked to perform an ordnance and explosives removal action at three OOU's on property that was part of the Former Camp Croft. During this removal action, it is the government's intent that Zapata Engineering destroy, by detonation on-site, all explosive ordnance on site. This work is being performed in a manner that is consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA).

Public Safety is the #1 priority of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. While visiting Former Camp Croft, please be cautious as there is a possibility of hazardous materials, such as MEC, on the property. Please see the right hand panel for more information on MEC.

If you don't know what something is, don't pick it up and always remember the 3 R's: Recognize, Retreat, Report!

## How can I become more familiar with the project?

- Review the documents housed in the Information Repository at the Spartanburg County Public Library
- Visit the project website at [www.campcroft.net](http://www.campcroft.net)
- Attend the Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meetings. Meeting schedule is posted on the project website
- If interested in receiving notices about the RAB by mail, contact Shawn Boone (information on reverse side)

## What is MEC?

### Munitions or Explosives of Concern

- ◆ 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



## Community Safety

If you encounter munitions or suspicious items,

follow the **3 R's**:

## RECOGNIZE:

When you discover a suspicious item or possible munitions, remember that they can be very dangerous. Do not touch, kick, throw or do anything else to disturb the item. Also, remember that the munitions are sometimes not readily identifiable, and may appear to be any other metallic or rusty item. Use caution, leave it alone and do not touch it.

## RETREAT:

If you encounter a suspicious item, possible MEC, or any potentially hazardous item, mark the general location of the item (a minimum of 10 feet away) and retreat to a minimum of 300 feet away on the same path used to approach the item.

## REPORT:

Remember the location of the suspicious items and call 911.



Investigation of an OOU for munitions

