

CAMP CROFT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

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BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

Let's go ahead and get started. Everybody take their seats, please. I'd like to welcome everybody to the May meeting of the Camp Croft Restoration Advisory Board.

There are a few points I would like to go ahead and cover now so we don't have any problems later on in the meeting.

I just ask that if anybody is speaking, give them the courtesy and respect that they deserve and let them speak. No chitchatting in the background or choral responses; and if you have a question or a specific question, please address it to the person that you'd like to ask it to and he will respond, and I just ask that there will be no choral responses to any questions that are asked.

That will help us, everybody else that's interested in what's going on and the stenographer here, because she can only hear one person at a time. I appreciate your cooperation.

I'll turn it over to Ms. McKinney here with Zapata Engineering.

BY MS. MCKINNEY:

Good evening. I'd like to introduce a few folks that are here with us this evening. They will be doing a bulk of our presentations.

We have Lincoln Blake from the Charleston District Corp of Engineers. Wayne Bogan is still on Reserves throughout this coming week, so we have some other folks in his place. We have Ms. Patti Berry and Grey Bayuga from the Huntsville Division.

On the table you have several handout materials. You have a revised information pamphlet that will be distributed to the Park, to the library and to the Chamber of Commerce. We'll also send those to everyone who is on our mailing list and have those available through Wayne.

If anybody would like extra copies, feel free to take some from out front, and for you in the audience, also help yourself to those pamphlets.

We also have copies of the thank you letters that were prepared as a follow up from the last meeting to the congressional delegates.

You have a copy of the one foot depth clearance memo that we discussed last month and there's a schedule for the removal activities that will be taking place starting within the next few weeks and Patti Berry is going to review that schedule.

Are there any questions on the materials for tonight?

(NO RESPONSE)

BY MS. MCKINNEY:

Okay. Patti.

BY MS. BERRY:

My name is Patti Berry, and I'm from the Corp of Engineers in Huntsville, and Wayne Bogan had asked me to bring a videotape of showing some removal activities, and so I'll go ahead and show you that.

This is at one of our projects in Tennessee that we have done some removal action, and the contractor will pretty much walk you through it, and this is basically what we'll also be doing here at Camp Croft, so ---

(PRESENTATION OF VIDEOTAPE)

BY MS. BERRY:

What they do is they five foot lanes that they'll sweep and just go back and forth and move each lane over as they finish it, which is what they're doing here.

And this -- these holes that they're digging are the areas that they've flagged where they've detected something, so now they're going in to dig for them.

BY DR. KEITH:

How deep will they go with the shovel?

BY MS. BERRY:

Well, until they find something. Right now they're required to go at least two feet.

BY DR. KEITH:

Two feet.

BY MS. BERRY:

But they're going to detect to four feet, and if they find something between two and four, then they'll -- the safety -- the safety guy on the site will determine whether to go deeper.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Ma'am, what was this and how long an area or wherever they're working at been in the ground?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Since the end of the 1940s, there were eight 37 millimeter projectiles that they're finding. They'll show them. They'll show them here in a minute.
(END OF VIDEOTAPE PRESENTATION)

BY MS. BERRY:

That was just an overview, I guess, of what we'll be doing out here, and did you all have any questions on anything on the video?
(NO RESPONSE)

BY MS. BERRY:

Okay. Then I guess I'll go ahead and discuss the schedule. You should have received a handout.

We have issued the contractor the notice to proceed. We gave that to them yesterday, and they will be starting to mobilize on Monday, the 20th of May.

For the next couple of weeks they'll be mobilizing to the site, setting up their trailers, getting their vehicles they need and their equipment to the site; and we'll also be, at this time, waiting on approval from our headquarters for their safety plans. So hopefully we'll get that in the next couple of weeks, and then they'll be able to start the actual intrusive work, which you saw in the video was where they actually dig for the ordnance that they find.

They're going to be starting in -- in the Park in the area of Operable Unit 7, which is the campground area, and they plan to start that early June, hopefully as soon as we get the approval from headquarters. And they're projecting that that will take them into October, if you'll look on the schedule here.

And then from there, they'll go to Operable Unit 1B and Area 39, and then on to Operable Unit 2 and 3; and, as you can see, they're projecting that this will take about eight months to do the whole -- the total removal action, and then there will be follow up actions as far as developing the final reports and getting that approved.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Patti, they might -- it's a little hard to see, but it might be good if you just point out where those areas are on, generally, on the map.

BY MS. BERRY:

Okay. The first area they'll start on is Operable Unit 7, which is the campgrounds and the area near the lake here, the horse rings -- the horse ring and the -- and then from there, they'll go to 1B, which is up here, and then that area they'll clear the horse trails to two feet and then do a surface clearance there. This is the Park area they're going to clear to two feet.

Then they'll move to Area 39, which is this red -- these little red polygons here, and there they're going to be clearing the horse trails in that area to two feet, also.

Then Operable Unit 2 is this area right here by Henningston Road, and that will be surface cleared, except the horse trails will be cleared to two feet in that area.

And then the area Operable Unit 3 is the residential area over by the golf course, and that will be cleared to two feet.

And, again, they'll have to do their final

report and get that approved and they're projecting it will take eight months for the removal.

And, again, they'll -- should be starting next Monday, so they'll be out to the Park area next Monday.

BY MR. PERRY:

How many teams do they have to have?

BY MS. BERRY:

Right now they have three teams that are scheduled to have work.

BY MR. PERRY:

Well, we were told that they were going to put one team at 1B while the other two teams were going to be working at 7.

BY MS. BERRY:

We can. We have the flexibility to do that, and we would -- we can do that, but, you know, if we do that, then Area 7 will just take a little bit longer and -- but right now, they're just projecting three teams, and the contract is flexible enough that we can pretty much tell them which areas to work in when we want them to, so -- and I know Wayne had mentioned that to me, so I know about that, so ---

BY MR. HAYES:

On -- on this it shows on ID-15 00U3, it shows very little time. You say you're just doing surface there, so that's ---

BY MS. BERRY:

No, that's two -- two feet clearance, but that's -- I think it's only about ---

BY MR. HAYES:

That's going to be one of the worst places, though, and it's just showing about a weeks worth -- worth of work or less.

BY MS. BERRY:

But I think ---

BY MR. HAYES:

Unless it's ---

BY MS. BERRY:

--- that's only five acres, as opposed to like in the -- in the Park area. I think the 00U7 is like 170 acres.

You know, this Area 2 is, I think, another 100 or 300 acres or so, and it's based -- you know, I think in Area 3 it's maybe five acres, so ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

I thing, if you recall, 3 was the one they found some, I guess, several ---

BY MS. BERRY:

Hand grenades.

BY MR. BLAKE:

--- practice grenades. Is that the right area?

BY MR. HAYES:

That's Henningston Road, right?

BY MS. BERRY:

No.

BY MR. BLAKE:

No.

BY MS. BERRY:

Area 3 is the golf course, residential area.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Wedgewood Drive.

BY MR. HAYES:

Oh, Wedgewood Drive.

BY MR. BLAKE:

It's Wedge ---

BY MS. BERRY:

002 is the Henningston Road, and that ---

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

That's the worst area.

BY MR. HAYES:

That's the worst. Okay.

BY MS. BERRY:

Yeah.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Area 3 is the golf course.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Yeah. Right. 3 is the golf course, and it's a real small area.

BY MR. HAYES:

Okay. When she was pointing them out, I must have got turned around.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Right.

BY MS. BERRY:

Yeah, 00U2 is just surface clearance, and they're saying it's going to take about three months in that area, so ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

I guess the other important thing that we want to point out about the schedule, when they get through with 1B and 7, that area of the Park could be reopened while they're working on 2.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

That's the question I was going to ask. I mean, but, like I say, if they don't find anything, they might go through it faster, right?

BY MR. BLAKE:

Correct.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

And then open it back up to the public?

BY MS. BERRY:

Yes, sir.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Yeah, that's a possibility.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Let me ask you a question on the video, were these solid projectiles on the video or were they high explosive 37s and 57s?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

They were all 37.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

37.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

They all contained a black powder fill that was a high explosive.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

High explosive?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Correct.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Now these down in Camp Croft, they're not -- they were not high explosive, were they?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

There's a combination of both. There were high explosive rounds that were found, illumination rounds that were found and solid practice rounds were found.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

I never saw an explosion on a 37 or a 57 from the ---

BY MR. BAYUGA:

The ones that ---

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

--- from the firing range, because we live right across from it.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Okay. What ---

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Everything was solid projectiles because we picked them up.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

They do make them like that, and the black powder one is more of a spotting charge than the explosion. These were black powder filled, and the explosion is not any more than a spotting charge for the person to shoot it, so it's not a composition B or a real high explosive. It's a black powder, which is classified as a high explosive, but not quite as powerful as other high explosives.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

But every one of the 37s that you find, are you -- you will explode them, in other words?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Correct. If they cannot determine if it's a solid round or not, then they would detonate it.

And each training range will use different items. They could have used all solid 37s out here, but this range at Tennessee they used a black powder spotting charge filled.

BY MR. KIM KEITH:

Clary, are you saying when you were sitting there and you were living out there and they were shooting rounds, you never saw anything explode?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

That's right.

BY MR. KIM KEITH:

They were just merely hitting the ground and marking where they hit?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Right.

BY MR. KIM KEITH:

So you actually lived through this training facility and action and never saw anything explode?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Not on the -- not on the antitank range, no.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Okay. Again, on an antitank round, it doesn't

really need to explode. They want to penetrate the armor shell of the tank. Once it gets inside there, it will bounce around and ---

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

They didn't have but one tank down there.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Okay.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

They didn't have but one tank and ---

BY MR. DUBEAU:

They had three.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

And they shot at moving targets.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

They had three.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

They didn't have but one down there when -- when -- when they were shooting at ---

BY MR. DUBEAU:

I know what was out there. I was out there training then.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

We were there for the whole time.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Yeah, I know you were, but you had to work, too. You couldn't witness everything that took place out on the range.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

They -- they had moving targets. They had a tractor that had moving targets.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

That's right. That's exactly right.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

They had one stationary tank. I never -- and I'm sure Russell can -- I never saw any. Did you, Russell?

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

Well, we never found any and never saw any, but we used to sit around there and watch. We were teen-agers. We weren't working, Mr. DuBeau. We were teen-agers.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Well, now wait, I'm not questioning your ---

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

We would go down there and watch them just solely to watch them shoot them, and then we would go down there and pick them up and see if we could find them. We never saw any shrapnel.

Clary is right. They had one tank. That was at the end of the war. The war in June was over. They brought that tank down there just to blow it to pieces and that's what they did. They had one tank down there.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Excuse me just one -- may I ask a question?

You weren't down there then from the period, let's say, when the camp opened until basically the time the German POWs were brought into this area? Were you around then?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

No, sir, they moved us out of the camp.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

They moved you out of the camp?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

We owned -- we owned 500-something acres in the camp and they came in and took it away from us.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

So the time that you're talking about with the training was after you had moved out of the camp?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

That's right.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

But before your family moved back in ---

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

That's right.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

--- to the camp?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

That's right.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Time frame, what time frame are we talking about?

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

From '41 until -- when did we buy it back -- '45.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

It's '47.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

It's somewhere in that area, '45, '46, somewhere in there.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

We lived down on ---

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

We lived right on ---

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

Dairy Ridge Road was named after my father and his father and two other brothers, Dairy. That's how it got its name. They took our dairy. My daddy went to work and tried to get them to stay out from down there. They wouldn't listen to him.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

But I just -- we just have never seen high explosives.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Again, it's called an armor piercing round. It would be solid round just to penetrate the solid steel.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Yeah, that's right. That's what they were.

BY DR. KEITH:

If -- if -- just a stupid question, but if they hit a tank or hit the ground and don't explode, are -- is it still the possibility to explode that if it's -- I mean, is this what you're saying?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Well, there were several types of rounds that were used at Camp Croft. You know, Mr. Smith is asking about the 37 millimeter. It's very possible they shot nothing but armor piercing rounds here, but they also shot high explosive mortars, the 105 projectiles, you know, hand grenades.

There are several other types of ordnance that were used on here, but it's very possible that for the 37 millimeter gun that was fired here, they only fired the ---

BY DR. KEITH:

The solid?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

--- solid rounds.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Another crazy question, if I may? Do you have any of the ordnance records that came in to Croft originally, or do you know where they might be obtained?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

The Archive Search Report ---

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Are you talking about the National Archives in Washington?

BY MS. BERRY:

Yes, sir.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

They were searched a couple years ago, and I don't recall them identifying the ammunition that came to Camp Croft applied for the period of years training the, you know, the quarter of a million men who were

here, and, you know, thousands and tons of ammunition come here to train soldiers.

They may have had some records at the end of the war where they turned stuff back over to other active installations or they disposed of it on a demolition range or something like that, but I haven't seen those records.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Have you made any searches of the Archives?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

No, we have another Corps of Engineers District does that for us.

BY MS. BERRY:

St. Louis.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

St. Louis Corps of Engineers did that for us.

BY MS. BERRY:

They have also got ---

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Excuse me. Excuse me for being a little bit picky on the answers, but is it the Engineers from the St. Louis District that are active hiring the consultants to go into the Archives to do the searching?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

They actually go in themselves to do that.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

I see.

BY MS. BERRY:

And we've also hired a contractor -- well, actually the one that prepared the EE/CA has gone in and done a Supplemental Archive Search Report.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

And they were hired out of the Charleston District, correct?

BY MS. BERRY:

They were hired out of Huntsville.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Huntsville District to Charleston, but they recognize Charleston as the -- I talked to those people, so that's why I'm curious, and I've also checked ordnance records through library and other places, and there's some strange -- there's strange situations developing that just aren't explainable. Let's put it that way.

Do you -- is -- is the Corps there -- do you have any of the original construction plans for the camp?

BY MS. BERRY:

No, sir, I don't, not in Huntsville.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Do you know where they might be obtained? Would they be out of -- of the area of Rock Island?

BY MS. BERRY:

I can -- I'll check with the St. Louis District and see if they have something. I know they probably have something showing the cantonment area in that -- in the range fans. I think they had something regarding the range fans, and I can check with them on that.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

I appreciate that.

BY MS. BERRY:

Okay.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

I'll get with you ---

BY MS. BERRY:

Okay.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

--- at the end of the program.

BY MS. BERRY:

Okay.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

The next item on the agenda is new Business.

Does anybody have any new business for the Board or from the Board?

BY MR. OSBORNE:

I do.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

Mr. Osborne.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

With the Board's indulgence, I'd like to take up some items on 00U3, and if you guys will get your books out and let's go over some of this stuff on Page 1.5, talking about this is a private residential area north of the Park with the hand grenade practice place, and they proposed going down to certain depth to make sure that this is all taken care of.

My point is a letter that was received by one of the people that live on Wedgewood Drive. From what I understand in reading of the records and so forth, there was only four or five pieces of property where that was allowed to be tested on that area, and I would like to know from the Corps of Engineers what about the other property on Wedgewood Drive?

BY MS. BERRY:

On the follow on EE/CA, it shows some additional areas in that on Wedgewood Drive that will be studied.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Well, on the EE/CA Report on 8.2, we have an area on 003, "Alternates, no further action, government buy backs, surface clearance or clearance to depth."

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

And they propose that they go down to the clearance to the depth of it.

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

All right. And the next one would be -- unless I lost my place -- but the point is this letter stated that last year the Corps of Engineers completed sampling activities on Ms. Pike's property.

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

160 Wedgewood Drive.

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

"Found 15 practice or inert hand grenades as a result of these findings. These ordnance items we have scheduled a crew to work on her property to remove any other items that may be buried below the surface."

Now this is in a conflict with what this one says here. It says, "This crew is tentatively scheduled to start work around August '96." On this one it shows it about February '97.

It says, "Crews will work in the mornings with magnetometers to look for any potential ordnance items. If anything is found, they will begin removal actions in the afternoon. There is always a potential danger involved in removing these items, therefore it may be necessary for the neighbors in the surrounding area to leave for a few hours in the afternoon so that the crews can continue their work."

My point is the person that received this was sort of appalled at the letter and nothing explained what was going on and what's going to be going on. It's sort of vague. It's scary to a certain point, and I think that these people in this neighborhood should have a little bit more information instead of just saying, "If you're able to come, come to the meeting tonight or go down to the library and look through the information."

I think these people deserve more, because they're living in this area and they have kids over there and so forth that the possibility they could be killed or whatever by picking up a hand grenade.

What I would like to know from the Corps, what are we going to do?

BY MS. BERRY:

Well, we would have to get rights of entry first to get on their property to look at it.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

All right. If we don't have right of entry and something happens, who is responsible?

BY MS. BERRY:

Well, I believe, the government is responsible

for ordnance, but if they won't give us the right of entry, we can't go in and try to clean it up.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Has this been checked on since the last time, two years ago ---

BY MS. BERRY:

The rights of entry?

BY MR. OSBORNE:

--- or whatever?

BY MS. BERRY:

The what? The rights of entry?

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MS. BERRY:

Well ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

We're in the process. We're in the process of doing that. That's one of the reasons that letter went out, and I'll take responsibility for the dates. I didn't have the contractor's schedule for the removal. As Patti told you, they just awarded contract in the past day or so.

But what we want to do is kind of alert people that, yeah, we will be in that area coming up, and that's why we told them, you know, "If you find anything, obviously, you need to call -- to call somebody on it."

The -- let's see, I lost my train of thought. But the whole idea was to give them some notification that we would be coming, and the -- there will be further study in the area. If you'll -- if you'll look at the map, that's one of the areas where we're going to do a little more looking, but we've already scheduled the removal since Ms. Pike did find some items on her property.

You know, we have discussed this in a previous meeting. We completed the first EE/CA, and we're going through the second phase EE/CA, which is this Engineering Evaluation and Cost Analysis and that's one of the areas we're looking.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

On the map of Wedgewood on 3.32, it shows three pieces of property. Is the property No. 85 that

shows, is that a house on that -- that property, and what about the two on either side of it?

BY MR. BLAKE:

I'm not -- I -- I really couldn't tell you for sure.

BY MS. BERRY:

I believe the two on either side are vacant lots, and then the follow on EE/CA ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

It shows it a little better.

BY MS. BERRY:

What? On this one?

BY MR. BLAKE:

The big one. Didn't you have the big one that you showed it. The new map you just had prepared.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Do we have anybody from Wedgewood Drive here tonight?

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

Let me make sure I'm clear, are you saying that the people on Wedgewood Drive should receive special attention?

BY MR. OSBORNE:

No, I'm saying that the people on Wedgewood Drive should know what's going on.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

I have been over there to talk to them individually, and they know nothing of what's going on.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

Well, you did not inform them when you talked to them individually?

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Sure I did.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

Well, then they know what's going on.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

I told them.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

Then they should be aware of what's going on as much as any other resident in this area. Why should Wedgewood be targeted over Henningston or Dairy Ridge or Rosewood subdivision? Why should we ---

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Because we have people living there and they you have kids living there.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

You've got people living all over Camp Croft in the others, and you've got kids living everywhere. Now it's unfortunate if these people aren't paying attention to what's going on in the newspaper.

All right. But there's been plenty of publicity, and I think it's a little unrealistic to target one particular area.

BY MR. BLAKE:

I think this letter did notify them of what was going on, the letter that you were reading from, that this was coming up. And one of the -- one of the main reasons it was -- it was -- it was notifying them was that there's people living in fairly close proximity to the area where there's going to be some potential removal.

Even though the removal wasn't going to be on your property, we were telling you, "Hey, you're right in here close to an area where we're going to be looking for ordnance, so you may -- you may have to make arrangements." If you're incapacitated, etcetera, we'll find some way so you can move out, if that's required.

BY MR. HENDERSON:

How large an area was that sent to?

BY MR. BLAKE:

I think everybody lived on the court and was it drive. Was it court and drive?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Place.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Place and drive.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

Well, this was a drive.

BY MR. BLAKE:

So it -- I think it went out to -- I can't remember the exact number. It's 30, between 30 and 40 people there, 35 or something like that. I -- there's a lot of letters that I -- that were signed.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

This practice range was in a cantonment area. They didn't use any high explosives in the cantonment area.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Talking about hand grenade range.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

This hand grenade range was probably just solid hand grenades and no charge whatsoever, just a solid piece of iron with -- not a solid piece, but all iron and hollow, and that's where they first learned to throw it.

When they threw the high explosives, they had to go to another range south of Dairy Ridge Road that had high explosives, and they shot those over the side of the road going down to the State Park at one time.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Greg might address what was found out there, what type of grenades.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Right. The letter said 19 practice grenades were found there, and it's exactly what you said. It was probably a practice area.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Yeah.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

Yeah.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

It was a practice grenade range.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

It was just solid iron, and I was in the Army two years. I know a little bit about the Army in '50 and '51 and '52.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Do you people who were living in the area know where the satellite camp was in connection with Croft? There was a second camp in connection with Croft, probably in Cherokee County. Does anyone have -- anyone in the room have any knowledge of that?
(NO RESPONSE)

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Do you know where the Naval -- you people who were here, do you know where the Naval people reported?
(NO RESPONSE)

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Or do you know where the Marines reported in the early stages, let me say, '41 and '42?
(NO RESPONSE)

BY MR. MCBAIN:

There were contingents of both Navy and Marine officers here during that time. Does anyone know where their areas were?
(NO RESPONSE)

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Okay. Does anyone know about any chemical warfare coming into this area during the period, say, 1940 to 1944?

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Do you mean where they trained them with the gas?

BY MR. MCBAIN:

That's right or any storage?

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Storage I wouldn't -- I wouldn't have any knowledge of that, because I left after a certain period of time, but it was between the 38th and 40th battalion we went through -- we took them through the gas chambers.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Right.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

And before they locked up, they pull the matchbox or they choke a little bit and then let them go out the back.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Okay. Where -- where were they located, the back gate?

BY MR. DUBEAU:

All right. Well ---

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Back behind where you ---

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Yeah. Kohler.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Yeah.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Yeah. Yeah.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

And I've got a map of it.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Yeah. Well, it was just used as a training camp.

BY MR. CLARY SMITH:

Yeah.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Well, yeah. I can -- I can show you or tell you anything. Now the thing on this chemical, and, I mean, there are all kind of rumors. You can read it, and I've got -- I passed out some information about Camp Croft, building it, what they did, but they've got rumors they brought stuff from here from Oakridge and stored it.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

No.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Well, I know, but I say it's rumors. I'm -- that's what I'm saying. You get all this, people start talking and saying they done this, they done that, they buried this, they buried gold, they done this and done that, so like I say, I mean, I don't know, but I have not read anything in the information I have about chemical except the gas chamber.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Mr. Mullinax.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Yeah.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

When they were getting ready to close the camp, I returned from World War II and came through Camp Croft, and they did -- the chemicals, of course, that they were used just for the training.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Yeah.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Not anything serious, but now most of that they -- they were told not to ship. Now I don't know what that means or anything like that. I've got nothing to do with that.

Well, where the -- where the training center was, there was a little building where you ran through, it had to be buried in that area if they buried anything, but it's not -- it's not any -- well, I'll just say, it's not something that's going to kill somebody else.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Yeah, I know what you're talking about.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Yeah, or anything like that, but they -- you know, they had to do away with a lot of stuff, and the sad part about all of this was there's 13 camps like this camp was here, and they were told not to ship anything back to ordnance to quarter master because the appropriations from the government would be cut if it was shipped back; and I know that to be a fact, so they get the proper appropriations, you know, for the next year, and that's the only reason that a lot of stuff should have been shipped back to the proper association and it wasn't done, so this is the

government itself that's playing ball with somebody,
you know.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Well, I mean, I know that some of it was buried
because I talked to some people that said it was
buried.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Oh, yes. Absolutely. Yeah, I'm not -- I'm not
-- please, I'm not trying to get into something, but,
I mean, I guess they had no choice. You buried
whatever you could bury, I mean, but it wasn't
anything that would -- I don't believe anything was
shipped in here is what I mean.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Right. No. No, I know what you mean, but I say
there's rumors to that effect.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Yes. Yeah. Don't take it as -- no.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

But now I have the maps and all, and I can show
you, and maybe one meeting I'll set the thing up in a
display down the hall. It will show you where the gas
chambers, where everything on this camp was, except I
just got a little map of the firing range.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Right.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

They don't -- they don't talk about that.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

No.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

I can show you anything in the cantonment area,
every building, what it was, gas chambers, everything.
The parade ground was over there where Kohler is at,
and so the gas chambers is right down below it.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

As far as the parade ground was right where the
golf course is today.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Right. Right. Yeah.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

I know because I went through it.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Right.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

In 1942 that's where it was, but Kohler wasn't -- there was no -- nothing over there took place military wise.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

No. No. The parade ground.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

Yeah.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Yeah.

BY MR. DUBEAU:

That's all.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Yeah.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

Does anybody else have anymore new business?

BY MR. BLAKE:

Just to close that out, I think ---

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

All right.

BY MR. BLAKE:

The reason we're going in OOU2, we haven't found any live grenades, but there were enough practice grenades, as a precautionary measure, I think it behooves us to at least go look, because -- Greg, are we -- there were a fair amount of them found by Ms. Pike or somebody in there or somebody planting in her

yard. That's really how this started, so ---

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Yeah, I think she had found three.

BY MR. BERRY:

I think one of her children found one.

BY MR. BLAKE:

It just looks like a good idea to try to put this thing to rest.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Well, the summary of conclusions was that grenade court area C confirmed, yes, on real estate, and the rest of the assessment code is number two, and the potential ordnance present is yes.

BY MR. BLAKE:

There's always that potential, and we want to clear that up.

BY MS. BERRY:

And if you'll look on the -- well, I brought a couple of copies of this map here, which is basically the same as the map up there only without all that fancy detail, but the red areas that are shown are areas that are to be investigated in the follow up EE/CA, and it shows some additional area up here in Wedgewood. Right now we're just doing the removal here, but it shows additional areas investigated up here along with a few areas down ---

BY DR. KEITH:

But all the areas that you have a red circle around will be checked?

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY DR. KEITH:

Is that what you're saying in their present situation?

BY MS. BERRY:

Well, some of the areas I think they've already checked and have determined ---

BY DR. KEITH:

Oh, yeah.

BY MS. BERRY:

--- that they don't require any further action, but, basically, they check all these areas, and these are the ones they do in priorities, high, medium, low.

BY DR. KEITH:

My question is -- I know where your priorities are right now, but say down in the south end along that perimeter, do you plan to check those areas, too, in this -- in this present field?

BY MS. BERRY:

Yes, sir. In the new EE/CA that we're doing.

BY DR. KEITH:

The new EE/CA?

BY MS. BERRY:

Yes, sir.

BY DR. KEITH:

All right. So money has been appropriated for that part to do that part?

BY MS. BERRY:

Well, part of the money has been.

BY DR. KEITH:

Oh, part of it.

BY MS. BERRY:

Yes, we're hoping to award the EE/CA this week, actually, so ---

BY DR. KEITH:

So you expect that soon there will be enough to look at the other areas?

BY MS. BERRY:

Yeah, I'm hoping in the fall they'll be actually getting out there and doing some sampling. They still have to do some of their work plans and things like that before they can go out.

BY MR. BLAKE:

I think -- I think I understand what you're saying. We've got -- we've got money to do investigations, but the next step will be cleanup, just like we did the first time.

We did the EE/CA and now we're going to do some cleanup, and now we're going to go back -- go back and do another EE/CA. We got money to do that, but we don't have the money to do cleanup. That will come ---

BY DR. KEITH:

But see -- but see, to me the most important thing is -- is to find out where the areas are. To get excited about and get upset about it before we know anything about it, I mean, up -- up at those homes it sounds like it's just solid grenades thrown out there. They're not. They're practice grenades.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Right.

BY DR. KEITH:

I spent two years in the infantry myself, so I -- we had areas that we went to, and I think that -- I don't want anyone -- I don't think people should be getting upset until -- until we can find something that is potentially dangerous, then I think we can worry about -- but, my goodness, we've been living here for 50 years, right?

BY MR. HAYES:

Right.

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Right.

BY DR. KEITH:

And I don't think we should alarm people to be afraid to go out with their children, because that's just -- that's just ridiculous in my opinion.

BY MR. BLAKE:

You know, it's kind of a step process. We say, okay, the Archive Search, which includes talking to people, records say, well, this is a potential area, and we go out and study it, and we either say, "Yeah, there is something," or "it doesn't look there's anything," and then if we find -- find something in that, we go out and start removal.

I can -- so it's kind of a three step thing to get to the end or a lot of times it's two steps and there really wasn't anything there.

BY DR. KEITH:

But the real cost in this thing is going to be the removal. Is there a lot of cost in checking it?

I mean, how much -- how much are we going to spend to go around these areas -- other areas to check it? Do you think that's going to be -- are we going to have enough money to do that?

BY MS. BERRY:

Yes, we should have enough money to do that. But, I guess as far as doing the EE/CAs, you know, you're spending money up front, basically, to discount a lot of the areas as opposed to just going in and doing a removal and spending a lot of money in an area that may not have anything to begin with.

BY DR. KEITH:

Yeah.

BY MS. BERRY:

So you're spending your money wisely up front doing the EE/CA in order not to spend, you know, three or four times that later on, so ---

BY DR. KEITH:

That's -- that's what I'm trying to say is find out where the danger areas are so we can put the -- so we can do it.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

That brings up a rather interesting question that disturbs me a little bit, because there were areas out there sold to private individuals very early on that very clearly the deed from the government to the individual indicated that this was a hazardous area and could not be used for anything other than pasture, so to speak, and so forth.

And now are -- is tax dollars going to be used to go over -- go over this area for something that the government left there in the first place or buried there in the first place? And this is a rather sizeable area. It's not in the Park, which raises a -- but it ---

BY DR. KEITH:

But don't you think a lot of people, though, when they bought this land -- you know, let's look at it that they weren't aware of it. Let's be fair about this. They were not ---

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Well, let me tell you, that's their excuse, I want to tell you because ---

BY DR. KEITH:

--- aware of how serious some of these things, and so what I'm saying is that let's find out where the dangerous areas are and then make a decision to whether -- whether to buy it back from them or whether we can afford to clean it up.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

Mr. Johnson.

BY MR. JOHNSON:

But did I hear you all say that there wasn't any explosives on the Kohler Company property there?
(NO RESPONSE)

BY MR. JOHNSON:

Because that's what I just heard.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

The cantonment area. Do you know what the cantonment area is?

BY MR. JOHNSON:

I don't know what the cantonment area is.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

That's where all the houses were. Everything north of Dairy Ridge Road was called the cantonment area. All of the firing ranges that fired harmful ammunition and stuff was all south of Dairy Ridge Road.

BY MR. JOHNSON:

Okay. I'm going to put it like this, the old drill field or where they used to drill over there, now I have plowed that field, and I have plowed those little -- patches of those little things kind of like a club with a little fin on it, and then they would call the people and come to shoot it.

And then our house was the edge of the Kohler property, and there were five of them in our house. I meant to bring a picture, but -- but I forgot it, and so there were bombs on that side of the Kohler, which Kohler was supposed to have been here tonight because that's where I work, and I'm a witness that I have saw bombs on that property.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

And there on that side of 295 Highway.

BY MR. JOHNSON:

Right. Right behind the old building on that side.

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

And that's right near the cantonment area.

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Actually, the cantonment area was mentioned, and you'll find what the outer loop is what we now know as pretty much Croft Circle up through this -- or this, when you cross the stream down here across the street. I've got some pictures of machine gun placements on that first knotup there that's shooting down that is top of the dome of the school here at the D&B School, which was here at that time.

It shows very clearly in these pictures, so you can figure your cantonment area was all -- all the way from, roughly, the pipelines up in there all the way out around Patch Drive, and I have -- I have two lotson Patch Drive by the old swimming pool which -- where somebody was storing tires, and they inadvertently got hit by lightning or something, and we have found live ---

BY MR. GEORGE MULLINAX:

Gasoline and matches?

BY MR. MCBAIN:

Well, you know how it is, when you don't have insurance on it, they've got to be moved, but the ---

BY MR. JOHNSON:

The bottom line is you all need to get the ones off from Kohler because that's where we are. There are 600 people working right there, so you all need to remove ---

BY MR. MCBAIN:

And there's -- there also has been a lot of stuff that was lugged away. I was talking to people -- some people down in -- in -- near Jonesville, just a little bit above Jonesville today, and they -- they found groups of grenades and stuff that had been lugged down there, I presume, by somebody who was going out on a Saturday night or whatever happened.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

To get back to one more question on the

Wedgewood, you stated that it's two or three lots.
The report said it was 119 acres.

BY MS. BERRY:

On Wedgewood? That might be the total neighborhood there, but right now they're just doing a removal action on this ---

BY MR. THOMPSON:

Hey, Harold, I don't think there's 119 acres in the whole area there.

BY MS. BURRELL:

There's not 119 acres.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

I'm just reading this from the report.

BY MR. THOMPSON:

I know what you're saying.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

And -- and the other points is I'm going down to the library and reading those reports that's down there, and they get quite interesting.

I don't know if the rest of you has went down and looked at those reports that's on file down there, but some of them gets pretty doggone interesting of what's going on or what went on.

BY MR. BLAKE:

I think to answer your question, it's kind of like we were talking about that we take these bigger areas and then start narrowing them down, and that process is occurring now.

BY MR. HAYES:

Is there an approved dollar amount and a projected dollar amount for the second EE/CA?

BY MS. BERRY:

I'm projecting about -- right now we've awarded, maybe, about 400,000, and I'm projecting maybe another million.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

She's stated to me a minute ago that EE/CA money and cleanup money is two different funds. It don't come out of that money we had before.

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response). We get two different ---

BY MR. HAYES:

I'm talking about the second EE/CA.

BY MS. BERRY:

Yeah, we get two different pots of money for EE/CA and the removal action.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

Do we have anymore new business?
(NO RESPONSE)

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

I have one thing for the Board, and I'd like you to think about it for the June meeting. We were established to meet monthly for the first six months, and then every two months and then quarterly, so be thinking about how you want to meet, if we still need to meet every month or whether we need to go on to the two month schedule or do we need to go to the quarterly schedule. I'll throw that out to you and think about that for the next month meeting.

I'd like to thank everybody for coming tonight.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Could I ask one more question?

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

Yes, sir.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Is it possible that the information, just like on the letter that was sent to the people at Wedgewood, that the Board members, excuse me, could get a copy of this so that we know what's going on, too?

BY MR. BLAKE:

You want a copy of the letter that went out to the people in that subdivision?

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. BLAKE:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Because I got a copy of it by going and talking to somebody that made me a copy, but I don't think any of the other Board members had a copy of it, so we had to pass it around.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Okay.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

But it would be a little bit more advantageous to us guys if we know what you guys are talking about with these people.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Good point.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Instead of us coming up and having to ask a lot of questions that we don't ---

BY MR. HAYES:

I'm just thinking about whether we need to know how much time is being spent down there and how much is being spent every week or every two weeks or every month, maximum.

Do we need to have a way to see what -- how much work is being used to clean up and how much money is being used to pay on the cleanup, to see if they are on schedule and if they're running over or -- but there's no way -- no checks and balances on it right now that I can see of.

BY DR. KEITH:

Is there somebody else to check on this besides the Engineers? I mean, do they just -- are they able to go in and do this and report back, or is there anybody that's not involved financially that's checking on what's going on?

BY MS. BERRY:

Do you mean as far as ---

BY DR. KEITH:

Do you know what I mean?

BY MS. BERRY:

We have a person that's going to be there full time, a safety guy, and I don't -- are you talking about someone other than a Corps of Engineers' employee?

BY DR. KEITH:

Uh-huh (affirmative response). Yeah, that's what I'm talking about.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Is this the same company we had before?

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

All right. That's one thing I brought up to Wayne Bogan on a couple of months ago that there shouldn't be any bills in there for radios and a whole bunch of equipment that was already bought for that last one; and if they go out and start spending again, I think you're just throwing some money away trying to update some equipment they don't have to.

BY MS. BERRY:

We have a person in Huntsville that looks through their equipment list and determines, you know, whether we have the stuff on hand. Some of it -- whatever we buy for this project is turned over to the government, and we may use it at Croft. We may use it on another site, so we look at that very carefully as far as, you know, what we have on hand that we can give them and not pay for that, so ---

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Well, going through the reports last time, like I said, it gets pretty exhausting when you -- I took them out from the library and took them home and read, read, read, and read, but we're talking you go over the reports of changing money around where they took it from per diem, switching it, or switching it from work into per diem and hotel rooms, and this just don't really make good sense to me.

I haven't brought it up before, but you ought to -- they ought to figure it out what they're going to need for room and board, instead they're coming a little later and taking the cleanup money and then changing it into per diem.

BY MS. BERRY:

Well, that all comes out of the same pot, but we'll -- we'll -- we ---

BY MR. OSBORNE:

But it's broken down in the reports as to what they spent for this.

BY MS. BERRY:

Yeah.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

What they spent for radios. What they spent for whatever.

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

It's all broken down, even to the ---

BY MS. BERRY:

They ---

BY MR. OSBORNE:

--- food, lodging, the whole bit.

BY MS. BERRY:

Yeah, they have to send us all the receipts. I guess they send it every month, once a month, and we look through that, and if there's something that we don't think we should be paying for, we'll tell them, and we won't pay them for it, and -- you know, we look at that in Huntsville. They send that to us.

BY MR. HAYES:

Can that be reported to us in our meetings?

BY MS. BERRY:

I guess.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

Dr. Keith, do you have a question?

BY DR. KEITH:

Yes, my question is this, if the Army has asked you as Engineers, am I right they asked you to do this job?

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response). Yes, sir.

BY DR. KEITH:

Then why don't we have a check and balance from the Army to see -- it's just good business, you know, to check the balances as to whether -- our Army Engineers can look and see if we're getting our money's worth?

That's -- that's all I ask, and I just wanted to -- there's no control. I could work for an engineering company and do nothing. I'm -- I'm just saying that this just ought to be some way there ought to be a check point of what you all are doing.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

There is. The contractor's work plan goes through Huntsville to the headquarters Corps of Engineers, then to the Department of Army Explosive Safety Board, and they review the work that's going to be done to see if it's feasible and that it be done correctly.

I guess there's the Army Audit Agency can audit any ---

BY DR. KEITH:

No, I'm not talking about on paper. I'm talking about somebody from the Army, the Engineers to go down there and actually see if what's -- what's going -- that's what -- I could look at the paperwork, and you -- you know, you couldn't convince me.

BY MS. BERRY:

We're going to have someone full time.

BY MR. BLAKE:

We have full time people watching it.

BY DR. KEITH:

Okay.

BY MS. BERRY:

On site, our safety guy.

BY DR. KEITH:

That's all right. That's fine.

BY MS. BERRY:

And I think Wayne was planning on ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

And that's -- that's what they're calling their safety specialist. That's part of his ---

BY DR. KEITH:

You're not -- I mean, they're not paid by you? That's what I'm saying.

BY MS. BERRY:

Yes, they are. It's the Corps of Engineers person.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Paid by the Army.

BY DR. KEITH:

They're paid by the Army? I mean, they're -- they're receiving from these funds?

BY MS. BERRY:

They're civilian.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

But they're just like I am. I'm a civil servant. I go out there. I ensure they're following the DA, the Department of Army has approved for their work, and I'll -- if they're supposed to plant an inert item at four feet in the ground and test their magnetometer each day, I'll ensure that that is done each day. If they're supposed to set, you know, ten foot wide search lanes, you know, 100 feet long, I'll ensure that that gets done each day.

I'll read the work plan to ensure they're doing what was approved for them to do. If they don't do that, I'll write a deficiency, and these deficiencies go back to the contracting officer, and she can take up with the contractor to correct that problem.

BY DR. KEITH:

But you're being paid by ---

BY MR. BAYUGA:

The Corps of Engineers.

BY DR. KEITH:

--- the Corps of Engineers?

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. RUSSELL SMITH:

You'll be down there all the time?

BY MR. BLAKE:

The work is being done by a contractor. Somebody is under contract with us, so we're supervising him.

BY DR. KEITH:

Okay. I gotcha. I just ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

Kind of like you're building a house and you're watching the guys that are building your house.

BY DR. KEITH:

Yeah.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

A different employee is watching the contractor work.

BY DR. KEITH:

Okay.

BY MR. HAYES:

I guess what -- what I'm actually asking for is, okay, they're working in quadrants.

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. HAYES:

So when we come to a meeting, if they're through with this quadrant, they can have it colored in and show us that we've done this many quadrants in this one area.

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. HAYES:

And we've got this many more to do, and we spent this much money on these colored in right now, and we project this much more money to do these others, so we can see how the money is being spent and how it's being used and how fast the work is being done.

That's mainly in a nutshell what I'm asking for.

BY MS. BERRY:

Okay. I'll get with Wayne.

BY MR. HAYES:

And if -- if we can get that kind of report.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Yeah, we'll assess sort of a little progress report at the meetings.

BY MR. HAYES:

And then if they find something that needs to be reported, will we get to know whether ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

Yeah, we can get that data from them. We'll get -- we'll get the earnings data, and then we can shade in the areas that have been covered up to that point.

BY DR. KEITH:

Yeah, that's helpful.

BY MR. BLAKE:

So you kind of see how much progress has been done.

BY MR. THOMPSON:

Mr. Chairman, I also think that the committee should see how much is found.

BY MR. HAYES:

Yeah.

BY MR. THOMPSON:

In other words, how much ordnance is found in those quadrants, so we'll know that they're finding anything.

BY MS. BERRY:

They -- they're required to keep a detailed log of what they find and where, and so that would be public information.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

I believe I ---

BY MR. BLAKE:

I think Mr. Osborne has probably gone through a lot of that, haven't you, seeing what they found? It's pretty detailed of what they have found.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

The -- some of what you were talking about, is this going to be found in the Army ordnance records or the Army regulations on what they're doing down there, how they work it out and so forth that what the Army says, about what you guys do and then go on down to the contractor?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

The work plan will specify how they're going to do each -- each task, but they're supposed to do the magging, the magnetometer work and flagging the ordnance.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

No, I'm talking about in this Army regulation I have here, ---

BY MS. BERRY:

Uh-huh (affirmative response).

BY MR. OSBORNE:

--- which I got a copy of, ordnance and explosive waste engineering. Is this going to be the same thing dictated what you guys go under the Army regulation?

BY MS. BERRY:

Is that the policy -- the policy document that we use?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

I'm not sure.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

Where did you get that, Harold?

BY MR. OSBORNE:

I went down to the library, and this is all down at the library, and it's so in depth reading, and, I mean, we're talking a lot, a lot, a lot of regulations.

I've also got a copy of the Environmental

Enhancement and Protection and so forth, Rules and Regulations, which is also in that manual down at the library.

Also, down at the Federal Register, which includes the same things under Rules and Regulations for removal, but -- and then another draft on a headquarters Department of Army Explosive Safety Policy on real property containing ordnances and explosives.

And since it is such an in depth reading, I asked to get a copy of it, and I was sent a copy. I've been digging into it, and it's pretty potent what they have to do and why they're doing it.

BY MR. BLAKE:

Yes, sir.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

So I'm just wondering what the Corps of Engineers -- what guidelines you're using, if what they sent me is what the guidelines are?

BY MR. BAYUGA:

They have to follow those guidelines throughout. Through the review process, we try to identify if they're not following those, you know, at Huntsville, and then the headquarters at the Corps of Engineers, and at the Department of Army Explosive Safety Board.

If there are deficiencies, someone will capture them and identify them; and also, during the work, the on-site safety specialist there from the Corps will say, "This is not right. We need to change this."

BY MR. BLAKE:

Right.

BY MR. BAYUGA:

And those are the guidelines they follow.

BY MR. BLAKE:

And that's the DOD Explosive Safety Board and is looking at -- is going to be looking at the contractor's work plan to be sure it complies with all those things before they allow them to go ahead with the actual work.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

The Federal Register is the law that was set up by Congress and so forth, and it's all printed out on certain things that's done.

This was done on Wednesday, November the 8th, 1995, proposed rules and so forth. Like I say, it

gets sort of interesting when you start reading all this stuff and to update yourself so you know really what's going on.

This is the ones that you cannot check out from the library and then the other ones that you can check out. There's another big stack of them down there.

BY MR. BLAKE:

One thing we probably ought to have is -- I'll guess we'll be sending the work plan up to the library. Wayne is not here, so I know he has a copy, so we need to get a work plan up here in the library. That's some pretty long reading, too.

BY MR. OSBORNE:

That's just like sitting down and reading the contractor's, what EE/CA -- what they did on the last pick up when they went through and cleaned up and reading the regulations, what they did on a daily basis, and I sat and read all of it.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

Okay. I'd like to thank everybody for coming. I thank you for your courtesy and respect that you gave the speakers and the individuals during the discussion.

Next month, I will not be here. Ms. McKinney and Mr. Bogan will be your co-chair pro tem. I hope you will give them the respect that you gave the rest of the members here tonight.

If you will mark your calendar, Tuesday, June 11th is the next meeting at the same time, 7:00, in this same room.

I need -- before you go, I need the Board ---

BY MR. OSBORNE:

Make a motion that we adjourn.

BY MR. LITTLEJOHN:

Second.

BY MR. DAVID MULLINAX:

All in favor raise your right hand. Motion passes.

(MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8:10 P.M.)

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