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3Rs Safety Guide/Fact Sheet

Former Camp Fannin Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) Munitions Response Site (MRS) 1, 3, 4 & 5 Smith County, Texas FUDS Project Number K06TX0061-01, 03, 04, & 05

Overview

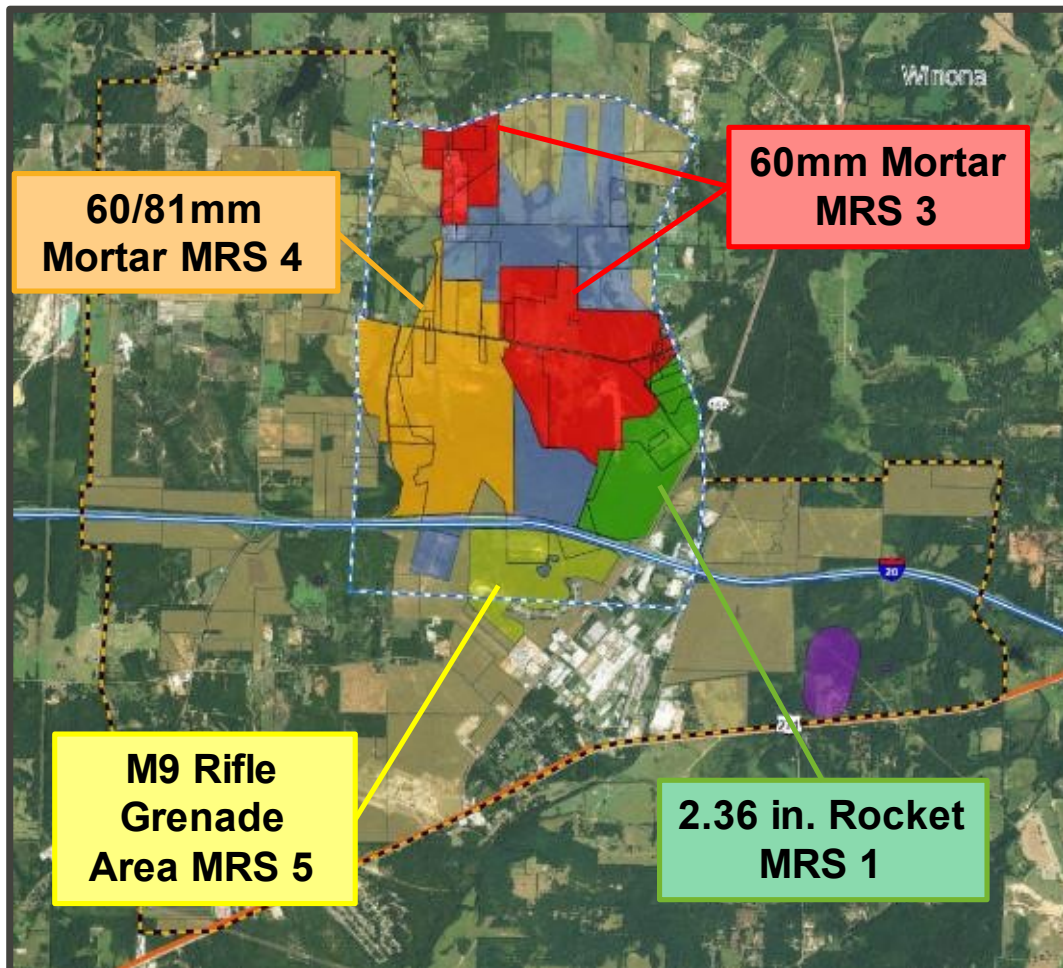
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) organization responsible for environmental restoration of properties formerly owned by, leased to, or otherwise possessed by the United States and under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Defense. Such properties are known as Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS).

The former Camp Fannin is approximately 14,093 acres and is located six miles northeast of Tyler, Texas in Smith County. Camp Fannin FUDS MRS 1, 3, 4 and 5 includes 2,160 total acres. The Image below shows the MRS locations and project name.

History

The former Camp Fannin was used from 1942 to 1946 for infantry, small arms ammunition (SAA), artillery, and tank gunnery training. During that time, the facility operated numerous ranges for rifle, pistol, grenade, mortar, and antiaircraft artillery (AAA) training. All the properties within the former Camp Fannin FUDS boundary are currently privately owned.

Portions of the former Camp Fanning include commercial and industrial development, especially south of Interstate 20 along the Hwy 155 corridor. Large portions of the contaminated area of the site that is comprised of MRSs 1, 3, 4 and 5 are residential, agricultural, and undeveloped forest.



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What's the Risk?

It is unlikely that unexploded ordnance will be found within the MRSs where property access was granted for remediation and removal actions have been completed. The DOD conducted extensive investigations to identify and remove explosive hazards present in MRS 1, 3, and 4 using the best technologies available at the time. Risk in MRS 5 were low and removal actions were not required.

Remedial Action

Based on the results of investigations in 2013 and the subsequent remedial action conducted in 2017 to 2022 within MRS 1, 3, and 4, the DoD identified *Educational Materials* to increase educational awareness of MEC hazards as an appropriate remedy to supplement the field remedial action. This focuses on minimizing or controlling potential exposures to MEC by informing users of the dangers and educating them on the procedures to follow to avoid MEC and report any potential MEC discovered.



Recognize

Recognizing when you may have encountered a munition is key to reducing the risk of injury or death. If you encounter or suspect you may have encountered a munition, consider it extremely dangerous. Remember, munitions are sometimes hard to identify.

Retreat

If you encounter or suspect you may have encountered a munition, do not approach, touch, move, or disturb it, but immediately and carefully - do not run - leave the area following the same path on which you entered. If you can, mark the general area, not the munition, in some manner (e.g., with a hat, piece of cloth, or by tying a piece of plastic to a tree branch).

Report

When you think you may have encountered a munition, notify your local law enforcement - **call 911**.

DON'T FORGET

Munitions are dangerous and may not be easily recognizable. Never touch, move, or disturb a munition or suspected munition.



For More Information . . .

For more information or if you have questions, visit the 3Rs Explosives Safety Education website at <https://www.denix.osd.mil/uxosafety>, or contact the Public Affairs Office, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, at (817) 886-1306. Additional information about the Former Camp Fannin can also be found at <http://www.swf.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/Formerly-Used-Defense-Sites/Fannin/>.