

## Steam Sterilization Plant Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q. When was the last time the SSP was used?**

A. May 2018 the facility was shut down. In June 2018, it was permanently closed.

### **Q. How long will this operation take?**

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### **Q. What impact on traffic will this have?**

A. There will be minimal impact on traffic immediately around the SSP. Any traffic changes or impacts will be communicated to those who live and work on Fort Detrick.

### **Q. What will the community see from the fence line?**

A. From the fence line, there will initially be break and change trailers set up at the site and then a tent will be erected over the outside tank area. It is possible that residents and employees will see workers in Tyvek suits, and other personal protective equipment (PPE) especially during the removal of the steam lines, this is standard protocol for a project of this nature which includes the safe removal of asbestos.

### **Q. What is being done to control the asbestos from going into the air during the removal of the lines to protect the workers and public?**

A. The contractor will place sealed bags over the area of the line that is being remediated to ensure the asbestos is not released during remediation. The contractor performing the remediation is specialized in asbestos abatement operations.

### **Q. What impacts will there be to people on and off post?**

A. Engineering controls will be utilized. Large roll-off waste containers will frequently enter and leave the area for transport to their final destination. A portion of a road on the installation will be restricted for several years.

***If you have a question for the team of professionals in charge of this project, please email it to US Army Garrison Public Affairs Office at [usarmy.detrick.usag.mbx.pao@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.detrick.usag.mbx.pao@army.mil). Please allow 2 business days for a response. Thank you.***