



FACT SHEET

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Invitation to Comment on the Proposed Plan for Site CCPRFTA-06 at USAG Camp Parks in Dublin, California

You have the opportunity to comment on the Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Site CCPRFTA-06 Proposed Plan for the final cleanup remedy. Site CCPRFTA-06 (the Site), also known as the Burn Pits, is within U.S. Army Garrison Camp Parks (Camp Parks) located in Dublin, California (Figure 1). The United States Department of the Army (Army) has completed Remedial Investigation (RI) and Feasibility Study (FS) Reports for the Site and is planning the next phase of remedial actions to clean up the Site. The Proposed Plan, and upcoming Record of Decision, are steps in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) process (Figure 2), leading to a final remedy for the site.

Based on available information, the preferred alternative proposed for public comment at this time is to excavate and transport contaminated soil to an offsite disposal facility. The Army's proposed remedial action restores the Site to a condition appropriate for future commercial/industrial land use, which will be protective of human health and ecological receptors. Although this is the preferred alternative at the present time, the Army, in conjunction with support agencies California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) and California Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) welcomes the public's comments on all the alternatives listed in the Proposed Plan. A public meeting will be held on February 24, 2016 at the City of Dublin, 100 Civic Plaza, Dublin, CA 94568 starting at 7 pm. You may make comments at the public meeting or supply written comments on the Proposed Plan to Mr. Dan Gannod between February 10, 2016–March 13, 2016. The Army, DTSC, and RWQCB will choose the final remedy after the formal comment period ends on March 13 and may select any one of the alternatives after considering public comments. Your input on the Proposed Plan is important.

Site History

Site CCPRFTA-06 (Burn Pits) is the location of two former burn pits reportedly used in the 1940s and 1950s for incinerating waste generated at the former Naval Hospital. Operation of the pits involved burning refuse and waste material directly on the ground surface in the pit areas. Residual material (i.e., ash and partially burned material) was reportedly pushed to the back of the burn pits. This process formed a ridge of burned refuse behind the burn pits. The burn pits are separated by 10–15 foot high berms containing soil and debris. Specific chemicals used as fuel to ignite the waste material are unknown; however, it is reasonable to assume that they may have included assorted flammable volatile organic compounds (VOCs), gasoline, and/or diesel fuel.

Previous disposal activities at the Site resulted in the potential release of metals, polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), polychlorinated dibenzodioxins and dibenzofurans (dioxins/furans), and VOCs into the soil. The contaminants of concern (COCs) that pose unacceptable risks to future use include metals and dioxins/furans in the ash waste contained in the soil at the Site. The Army plans to remove soil containing contaminants above cleanup levels to restore the site for future industrial use.

Summary of Site Risk

The Army evaluated risks to human and ecological receptors (plants and animals) from the site contaminants. The assessment concluded that, based on the RI data, existing site contaminants may present unacceptable risk to human health and several ecological receptors.

The Army considered ways to reduce this risk from contaminated soil. The Army, as lead agency under CERCLA, has planned a soil removal action as the final site remedy. The Army plans to remove the contaminated soil and dispose of the soil at an appropriate off-site disposal facility. Clean soil will be used as backfill. The Proposed Plan indicates this is the Army's preferred remedy. Removing the soil to meet industrial cleanup goals will allow for industrial use with no unacceptable risk to human health or ecological receptors. On this basis, the Proposed Plan recommends the soil removal action. DTSC and RWQCB concur with this recommendation.

Your Comments

We will welcome your comments at the public meeting on February 24, 2016. You also have until March 13, 2016 to supply written comments on the Proposed Plan or related information at the Administrative Record in the Alameda County Dublin Library. The Army will consider public input to the Proposed Plan and responses to public comments will be incorporated into the upcoming Record of Decision.

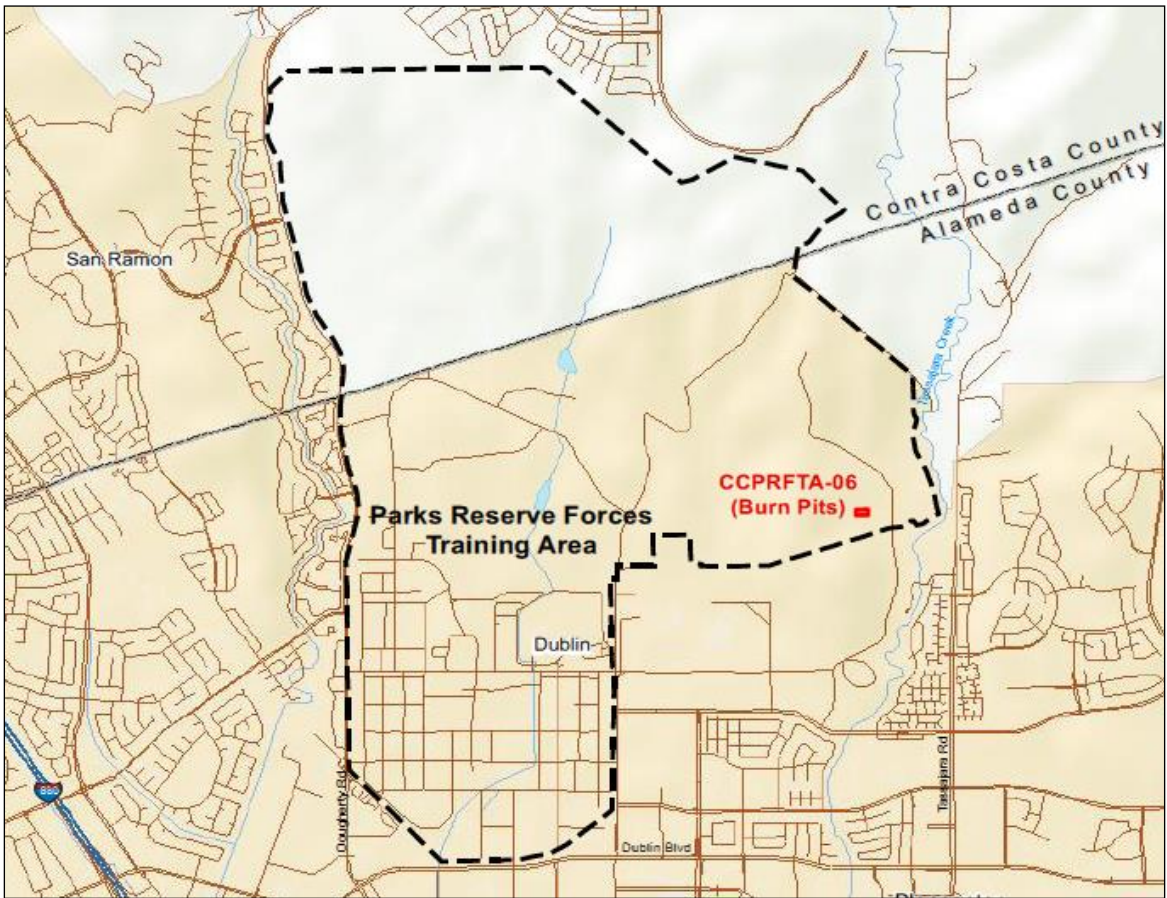


Figure 1: Camp Parks Area Map



Figure 2: The CERCLA Remediation Process: The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act is the Federal act that establishes federal authority for emergency response and cleanup of hazardous substances that have been spilled, improperly disposed, or released into the environment.

