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LIST OF ACRONYMS

APE – Area of Potential Effect BAX – Battle Area Complex **BP** – Years Before Present CACTF - Command Action Center Tactical Facility CEMML - Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands DOE – Determination of Eligibility DTA – Donnelly Training Area FAI – Fairbanks ICRMP – Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan m – meter mm – millimeter MOA – Memorandum of Agreement mph – miles per hour NHPA - National Historic Preservation Act PA – Programmatic Agreement SDZ – Surface Danger Zone SHPO – State Historic Preservation Officer TFTA – Tanana Flats Training Area USAG FWA - US Army Garrison Fort Wainwright USARAK – US Army Alaska USGS – US Geological Survey UTM - Universal Transverse Mercator XBD – Big Delta XMH – Mount Hayes

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1. INTRODUCTION

On February 5, 2010, the US Army Garrison Fort Wainwright (USAG FWA) entered into a Programmatic Agreement (PA; FWA-PA-1003) with the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) to monitor 131 prehistoric archaeological sites within the Battle Area Complex (BAX) Surface Danger Zone (SDZ) in order to continue a finding of "no adverse effect" to said sites. Live-fire training activities began in the BAX in June 2010. Archaeological site monitoring activities began during the same month and continue through the present.

On September 11, 2012, this PA was updated to incorporate an additional 3,252 acres downrange of the BAX, established in 2012 as part of the Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex restricted airspace expansion. This additional acreage would be surveyed for archaeological sites within five years of the PA. This PA also removed ineligible sites from the monitoring schedule and corrected the number of sites that are or may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (National Register). Additional changes were made to the monitoring schedule (see Section 3 below) in order to tie monitoring more closely to the BAX usage schedule.

This report will detail the findings of monitoring activities for the period of June 2010 to December 2017.

Site monitoring was conducted following procedures defined in US Army Alaska's Monitoring and Data Recovery Plan for Cultural Resources within the Battle Area Complex Surface Danger Zone, Fort Wainwright, Donnelly Training Area, 2009 (Robertson 2009).

Archaeological field crews, comprised of employees of Colorado State University's Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands (CEMML), monitored sites in areas potentially impacted (directly and indirectly) by the live-fire training activities. Three crews of two to three archaeologists conducted the fieldwork.

1.1. BAX and Undertaking

The BAX is a live-fire range constructed by the US Army Alaska (USARAK) and the USAG FWA on lands at Fort Wainwright's Donnelly Training Area (DTA) (Figure 1). With the transformation of the Army's Alaska-based 176th Light Infantry Brigade to the 176th Stryker Brigade in 2003, USARAK and USAG FWA needed new ranges to meet the needs of Stryker vehicle-mounted weapon systems. The largest of these new ranges is termed the BAX. The BAX is designed for gunnery training of crew-served, vehicle-mounted weapons systems and dismounted infantry platoon tactical live-fire operations (Table 1).



Figure 1. Location of Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

Table 1.	BAX weapons	systems.
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Weapons System	Description
Small Arms	Man-portable, individual, and crew-served weapons systems
	used mainly against personnel and lightly armored equipment.
	Ammunition for small arms includes all ammunition up to and
	including 40 mm.
Artillery/Indirect Fire Systems	Self-propelled, man-packed or towed, large caliber (60 mm or
	larger) tube-launched or rocket-propelled munitions.
Vehicle	A weapon that is integral to the vehicle on which it is mounted
	and intended for use from the vehicle (e.g., the MK-19 40 mm
	automatic grenade launcher on the Stryker or the main gun
	(105 mm) on the mobile gun system).

Primary features of the BAX include course roads, stationary armor targets, moving armor targets, stationary infantry targets, moving infantry targets, machine gun bunkers and breaching obstacles. In addition to the range, the BAX includes an after-action review facility, ammunition breakdown building, ammunition loading dock, operations/storage building, arctic latrines, bleacher enclosure, bivouac, unit staging area, covered mess area, building information systems, electric service, water and septic system, storm drainage and general site improvements.

The BAX undertaking consisted of two components, both of which warranted consideration under stipulations provided in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act: (1) construction of the BAX, and (2) establishment of a safety buffer area—the SDZ downrange of the BAX (Figure 2).

For the purposes of implementing a cultural resources management strategy, it is important to emphasize the difference between the BAX and the BAX SDZ. The BAX includes the maneuver areas, firing points, and targets that will be utilized for training (Figure 2). The BAX SDZ is an area of risk that extends lengthwise from the firing point to the ultimate ballistic distance or maximum range of munitions utilized at the range (Figure 2). No construction or training activities associated with the BAX will occur within the BAX SDZ. No targets will be located in the BAX SDZ. Essentially, the BAX SDZ is a downrange safety buffer zone that covers the maximum distance stray rounds may travel, established for the purposes of protecting human health and safety.

Establishing the SDZ is simply a matter of restricting access to downrange areas of risk associated with the BAX. Establishment of the BAX SDZ is mandated by the possibility of stray rounds resulting from live-fire exercises in the BAX. SDZs are created to ensure the safety of the public and military personnel. They represent where rounds could potentially go in extreme circumstances. They do not indicate where rounds will most likely go; rather, they buffer all possible places where they could go in a completely flat landscape (which the BAX SDZ is not). Different calibers and different munitions have different effective and maximum ranges. Thus, the BAX SDZ is a composite SDZ that incorporates the SDZs from all the different types of munitions that will be used—from 5.56 mm to 105 mm.

The original BAX SDZ is an irregular, fan-shaped area roughly 12 km north to south and 12 km east to west at its widest point (Figure 2). It entails 23,741 acres found on the USGS Mount Hayes D-4 topographic map. The expanded BAX SDZ includes an additional 3,252 acres, mainly downrange of the current footprint (Figure 2).

The assessment of effects of live-fire exercises in the BAX is presented in Section 5.0 of the BAX data recovery plan (Robertson 2009:23-39). In short, it was determined that, although the sites are downrange of a live-fire training area, the potential for adverse effects from stray rounds was low to non-existent due to: (1) local topography protecting the sites, (2) target placement deliberately coordinated to prevent stray rounds, and (3) the types of weapons systems used (e.g., non-explosive and short-range rounds) minimize the potential for damage to the sites.



Figure 2. The location of the BAX in eastern DTA with original and expanded SDZ boundaries.

Survey for the construction footprints of the BAX was conducted in 2002 and 2003 (Hedman et al. 2003; Robertson et al. 2004). Site evaluations and determinations of eligibility (DOEs) for listing in the National Register were conducted in 2004 and 2005 (Raymond-Yakoubian and Robertson 2005; Robertson et al. 2006). On March 17, 2006, USARAK released the BAX/CACTF Supplemental Draft EIS, and USAG FWA and the SHPO entered into Section 106 consultation to mitigate adverse effects of the BAX undertaking, resulting in a Memorandum of Agreement (AK-MOA-227).

Survey for the BAX expansion began in 2012 and was completed during the 2015 field season (Figure 3).

There were originally 136 archaeological sites identified within the entire BAX Area of Potential Effect (APE), which consists of the range and SDZ. Five of these sites—XMH-00290, XMH-00873, XMH-00874, XMH-00877 and XMH-01160—are located in the BAX construction footprint. Four of these—XMH-00290, XMH-00873, XMH-00877, and XMH-01160—were determined ineligible for listing in the National Register. Mitigation of adverse effects, consisting of an archaeological excavation to recover data from XMH-00874, began in July 2006 and was completed in 2007. The mitigation agreement is detailed in the MOA between USAG FWA and the SHPO signed on July 12, 2006. Section 106 requirements have been completed for the construction footprint of the BAX.

Section 106 consultation for the establishment of the SDZ began in March 2006. There are no archaeological sites located in the direct line-of-fire for BAX targets. However, there are 131 archaeological sites downrange within the SDZ. USAG FWA and the Alaska SHPO determined that application of the Criteria for Adverse Effect [36 CFR 800.5(a)] indicates a conditional "no adverse effect" finding for 131 archaeological sites located within the boundaries of the SDZ. USAG FWA recognizes the remote possibility of stray round impacts to archaeological sites located downrange from the BAX within the SDZ. The finding of "no adverse effect" was conditioned upon an ongoing, comprehensive monitoring strategy to ensure that there would, in fact, be no adverse effects to archaeological sites located within the SDZ due to stray round impacts including any of the following: (1) physical destruction or damage to all or part of an archaeological site, or (4) damage to the integrity of an archaeological site. The second agreement, FWA-PA-1003, was entered into to formalize the comprehensive monitoring strategy and to fulfill USAG FWA's Section 106 responsibilities.

The amended FWA-PA-1003 from September 2012 requires monitoring only of sites that are eligible or potentially eligible for the National Register and includes sites known from the expanded BAX SDZ. A total of 122 sites were monitored in 2012. Two new sites were located during that field season, bringing the total number of archaeological sites in the BAX SDZ to 124 (23 sites are eligible for the National Register and 101 have not yet been evaluated).

In 2012, DOE fieldwork was completed for one archaeological site in the BAX SDZ. XMH-00983 was evaluated because the lone artifact found at the site was determined to not to be cultural when examined in the lab. No further cultural materials were discovered during intensive subsurface investigations. The site was found ineligible for the NRHP in the Army's 2012 Section 110 Report (Esdale

et al. 2013a). The SHPO concurred with this finding on December 19, 2013. Further data refinement demonstrated that two sites that were monitored in 2012, XMH-1084 and XMH-1184, are not located within the SDZ and therefore are not subject to the terms of the MOA. During the 2013 field season, 1091 acres were surveyed in the expanded SDZ. Two sites, XMH-001495 and XMH-001496 were found, but later determined ineligible for the NRHP by Fort Wainwright and the SHPO (1/27/2015, Esdale et al. 2014a). In 2014, 1622 acres were surveyed in the expanded SDZ. Three sites, XMH-01511, XMH-01512, and XMH-01535 were found (Esdale et al. 2015a). In 2015 the remaining 316 acres of expanded SDZ were surveyed but no other archaeological sites were found. One new site, XMH-01548 was discovered in 2016 on the shore of String Lake.

1.2. Setting and Environment

DTA is located in central Alaska, north of the Alaska Range in the Tanana River Valley (Figure 1). The post lies 120 miles south of the Arctic Circle near the town of Delta Junction. DTA consists of the West and East training areas. DTA West is an 894-square-mile parcel bounded by the Delta River to the east and the Little Delta River to the west. It covers approximately 571,995 acres. DTA East is an 81-square-mile parcel stretching east of the Delta River to Granite Creek. It covers approximately 51,590 acres.

DTA has the northern continental climate of Interior Alaska, which is characterized by short, moderate summers; long, cold winters; and low precipitation and humidity. Weather is influenced by mountain ranges on three sides that form an effective barrier to the flow of warm, moist maritime air during most of the year. Surrounding upland areas tend to aid drainage and the settling of cold arctic air into the Tanana Valley lowlands.

The Alaska Meteorological Team at the Central Meteorological Observatory, Fort Greely and Donnelly Training Area, monitors weather at the post. Average monthly temperatures range from -6.4°F in January to 60.0°F in July, with an average annual temperature of 27.4°F. The record low temperature is -63°F, and the record high is 92°F. The average frost-free period is 95-100 days (based on 27 years of data).

Prevailing winds are from the east-southeast from September through March and from the west, southwest, or south from April through August. Average wind velocity is 8.2 miles per hour (mph). The greatest wind speeds occur during winter, with a high of 104 mph recorded in the month of February. Winds are 5 mph or less only 13.6 percent of the time, and wind speeds greater than 60 mph have been recorded in every month. Thunderstorms are infrequent and occur only during summer (based on 20 years of data).

Average annual precipitation is 11.12 inches, which falls over 90.4 days, mostly during summer and early fall. Average monthly precipitation ranges from a low of 0.24 inches in April to a high of 2.38 inches in June. Average annual snowfall is 40.5 inches, with a record 99.7 inches in 1945 (based on 27 years of data).

1.3. Prehistoric Context

Interior Alaska has been continuously inhabited for the last 14,000 years, and evidence of this continuum of human activity has been preserved within and around Fort Wainwright's training lands. Interior Alaska's ice-free status during the last glacial period provided a corridor connecting the Bering Land Bridge and eastern Asia to North America. This allowed small bands of nomadic peoples to colonize Alaska and the rest of the continent and began a period of habitation in Interior Alaska that has persisted through the entire Holocene, the arrival of European traders in the late 1810s, the Klondike Gold Rush of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, and the military development of the Interior during the middle of the 20th century. Fort Wainwright's cantonment and training lands comprise a vast and still relatively unsurveyed region with areas of high potential for yielding evidence of this activity.

Alaska has long been regarded as the gateway to the Americas and has held archaeological interest as the possible location for the oldest archaeological sites in the New World. This is due to more than Alaska's proximity to Asia and ice-free condition at the end of the Pleistocene. Similarities between archaeological assemblages in Siberia and Alaska and the discovery of lanceolate projectile points in the muck deposits around Fairbanks in the early 1900s (which bore a resemblance to Clovis points of some antiquity in the American Southwest) also sparked interest in Alaska as a source area for all Native Americans.

After initial colonization, archaeologists generally divide Interior Alaska's prehistory into three broad archaeological themes: the Paleoarctic Tradition (12,000-6,000 years ago¹), the Northern Archaic Tradition (6,000-1,000 years ago), and the Athabaskan Tradition (1,300-800 years ago) (Potter 2008). Archaeological materials from these cultures are generally limited to lithic artifacts such as projectile points, cutting tools, scrapers, waste flakes from tool manufacturing, faunal remains, and hearths.

Reconstructions of paleo ecological evidence suggest that the end of the Pleistocene was marked by a warming trend in Interior Alaska that may have contributed to initial colonization of the area (Bigelow and Powers 2001). Several sites in areas surrounding Army lands demonstrate that people began living in Interior Alaska 14,000 years ago. Significant sites in the Tanana Valley dating between 14,000-12,000 years ago include Healy Lake (Cook 1996), Walker Road (Goebel et al. 1996), Swan Point (Holmes et al. 1996), Mead (Holmes 2001), McDonald Creek (Goebel et al. 2014), and Broken Mammoth (Holmes 1996). There are no sites in Alaska, however, that predate the oldest sites in the contiguous United States, nor do Alaska's oldest sites resemble the Clovis culture (Bigelow and Powers 2001). The Younger Dryas cooling event from 13,000-12,000 years ago may have led to a temporary population decline (Potter 2008) in the Interior before permanent colonization.

The Paleoarctic Tradition is a term now generally used by archaeologists to refer to the earliest settled people known from all over Alaska. It was originally defined by Anderson² (Anderson 1968, 1970) as the earliest microblade-using tradition in the American Arctic, with a proposed relationship to late

¹ All dates are given in calendar years before present.

² Anderson called it the "American Palaeoarctic Tradition," but most researchers use the shortened version.

Pleistocene northeast Asian cultures based on similarities in these distinctive artifact types. Archaeological evidence indicates that early settlers camped on terraces, lakeshores, buttes, and bluffs. By using these locations on high ground, they could locate and track prey that included large mammals such as mammoth and bison. Evidence from the Upward Sun River Site, located on the south side of the Tanana River between Army training areas, for example, demonstrates that hunter-gatherers in Interior Alaska were concentrating on bison and wapiti at the end of the Pleistocene (the Upward Sun River Site is also known for one of the earliest burials in the Americas [Potter 2008; Potter et al. 2008; Potter et al. 2011]). The nearby 14,000-year old McDonald Creek site on Army-managed land had artifacts in association with bison, waterfowl, and small game (Esdale et al. 2012c, Gaines et al. 2011, Goebel et al. 2014). It is likely that the treeless environment and nomadic nature of these peoples had a direct impact on the kinds of tools they fashioned. Stone, bone, antler, and ivory provided the most abundant material for manufacturing weapons and cutting tools. Artifacts typically associated with this culture include small stone microblades, microblade cores, bifacial projectile points, and unifacial scraping tools.

In Interior Alaska, this tradition historically included two cultural divisions called the Nenana and Denali Complexes. The Nenana Complex was identified by Powers and Hoffecker from sites in the Nenana Valley (Powers and Hoffecker 1989). This complex began approximately 11,000 years ago with an artifact assemblage that included triangular or teardrop-shaped, bifacially worked projectile points ("Chindadn" points [Cook 1969, 1975; Holmes and Cook 1999]); large unifacial chopper-like tools; and flake tools. The Nenana Complex is defined as lacking microblades, microblade cores, and burins, and was proposed to predate the microblade-rich Denali Complex. Many Nenana Complex archaeological sites are located in the Tanana Valley, adjacent to Fort Wainwright training lands (Broken Mammoth [Holmes 1996; Yesner et al. 1999], Chugwater [Lively 1996], Donnelly Ridge [West 1967, 1996; Donnelly Ridge is located in the DTA], Healy Lake [Cook 1989], Mead [Holmes 2007] and Swan Point [Holmes et al. 1996; Holmes 1998, 2007]).

The Denali Complex, dated roughly to 10,500 to 8,000 years ago, was originally defined by West (West 1967, 1975) and includes distinctive wedge-shaped microblade cores, core tablets and their derivative microblades, large blades, biconvex bifacial knives, certain end-scraper forms, and burins. West later defined the Denali Complex as a regional variant of the American Paleoarctic Tradition (West 1981). Denali sites in the vicinity of Fort Wainwright's training lands include Mount Hayes (West 1996), Swan Point (Holmes et al. 1996; Holmes 1998, 2007), and Gerstle River (Potter 2001). At least one site in Tanana Flats Training Area (TFTA) (FAI-02043) has also been dated to this period.

The relationship between the proposed Nenana and Denali Complexes is as of yet unresolved. As discussed above, some researchers view the Nenana Complex as a bifacial industry that predates the microblade-based Denali Complex. However, current research at sites such as Swan Point and Broken Mammoth indicates that microblades and burins were used by the earliest known cultures in Interior Alaska, with a later co-occurrence with Chindadn points—the defining artifact type of the Nenana Complex. Although some archaeologists still believe that there is a cultural distinction between the Nenana and Denali complexes (e.g., Dumond 2001), the general understanding from Interior Alaskan archaeologists is that there is a behavioral explanation for the presence or absence of microblades in

different assemblages (Holmes 2001; Potter 2008; Yesner and Pearson 2002). Moreover, both Nenana and Denali technology persist in central Alaska throughout the Holocene (Bever 2006).

The site density declined in the areas around Fort Wainwright in the early Holocene, suggesting a slight depopulation during a period of climate change that initiated the widespread establishment of spruce forests (Potter 2008). The boreal forest in Interior Alaska was established by 8,000 years ago (Bigelow and Powers 2001). Sites from this time period are less well publicized than the older sites, but include Houdini Creek (circa 8,600 years old), Hurricane Bluff (c. 9,800 years old), Lucky Strike (c. 8,500 years old), Gerstle River (c. 10,000 years old), and the Campus Site (c. 7,700 years old) (Pearson and Powers 2001; Potter et al. 2007; Potter 2008). Bison, wapiti, and birds were the most important subsistence game during this period (Potter 2007, 2008).

The site density increased again after about 6,000 years ago in Interior Alaska (Potter 2008). This population increase coincides roughly with the Northern Archaic Tradition and the appearance of sidenotched projectile points. Anderson originally defined the Northern Archaic Tradition to specifically address notched point-bearing stratigraphic horizons that did not contain microblades at the Onion Portage site in northern Alaska (Anderson 1968). Alaskan notched points were generally similar to Archaic-age dart points in the contiguous United States. Time has shown middle Holocene assemblages in Alaska to be quite diverse, however, and it is questionable whether this trait is related to southern forms or if it is a reliable indicator of cultural affiliation (Clark 1992; Cook and Gillispie 1986). Artifact assemblages associated with this culture can vary but generally contain myriad tools ranging from bifacial knives and microblades to end scrapers and side-notched points. Middle Holocene huntergatherers had a subsistence economy focused on seasonally abundant game including caribou, fish, and moose (Potter 2008). Notched point assemblages occur in many sites in Interior Alaska, including over one dozen on Army-managed lands (XBD-00277, XMH-00277, XMH-00283, XMH-00303, XMH-00309, XMH-00874, XMH-00950, XMH-01130, XMH-01168, and XMH-01300). Several sites (XBD-00270, XMH-00915, XMH-00925), including the excavated Banjo Lake site in DTA (XMH-00874), have also produced middle Holocene dates from hearth charcoal. The 6,300-6,700 year old dates from Banjo Lake were also associated with a microblade component (Robertson et al. 2008).

Utilization of microblade and burin-based industries appears to continue through the middle and late Holocene in Interior Alaska (Esdale 2008; Potter 2004). By the late Holocene, archaeologists see a shift from seasonal large mammal hunting with a nomadic lifestyle to a focus on seasonally over-abundant resources, use of storage, and more permanent settlements (Potter 2008b). Artifact assemblages do not drastically change until the last millennium of the Holocene when microblades disappear from the archaeological record (Potter 2008).

Linguistic evidence suggests that the Athabascan culture may have appeared in the Tanana Valley as early as 2,500 years ago. Through ethnography, oral history, and a broad array of cultural items, much has been learned about Athabascan culture and history in the region. The artifacts associated with the Athabascan culture are exceptionally diverse and include bone and antler projectile points, fishhooks, beads, buttons, birch bark trays, and bone gaming pieces. In the Upper Tanana region, copper was available and used in addition to the traditional material types to manufacture tools such as knives, projectile points, awls, ornaments, and axes (Clark 1981). A late prehistoric Athabascan occupation is recognized at several sites in and around Fort Wainwright's training lands (Andrews 1975; Andrews 1987; Cook 1989; Mishler 1986; Sheppard et al. 1991; Shinkwin 1979; Yarborough 1978). Of particular interest in this regard is a copper projectile point found in a buried context at DTA (XBD-00272) (Robertson et al. 2009).

The Athabaskan Tradition includes late prehistoric and proto-historic cultures generally believed to be the ancestors of Athabascan tribes who currently inhabit Interior Alaska. Excavated Athabaskan sites are rare, but the limited body of evidence allows for several generalizations. The raw material usage was reorganized in the Athabaskan Tradition, which de-emphasized stone tool-making and increased the emphasis on the manufacture of items from native copper and organic materials (Dixon 1985). Assemblages include ground and pecked stone artifacts and an increased use of expedient tools. There was a broadening and diversifying of the resource base at this time to include small mammal and freshwater marine animals such as fish and mollusks (McFadyen Clark 1981; McFadyen Clark 1996; Ream 1986; Sheppard et al. 1991; Shinkwin 1979). Athabaskan sites tend to occur in resource-rich areas near lakes, streams and rivers and are generally characterized by large house pit and cache pit features. Proto-historic Athabascan assemblages include Euro-American trade goods such as glass beads and iron implements. Sites of this time period reflect an increased reliance on outside trade and include log cabins co-occurring with traditional house pits, as well as a change in site location to maximize trading opportunities (Andrews 1975; Andrews 1977; Andrews 1987; McFadyen Clark 1981; VanStone and Goddard 1981).

Athabascan settlement patterns depended greatly on the availability of subsistence resources, and Interior bands lived a nomadic lifestyle. They often traversed vast areas to support themselves and spent considerable time engaged in subsistence activities. It was often necessary for bands to divide into smaller groups to find game, and preserved fish were used as a staple of the diet in addition to fresh game (Andrews 1975).

Four Athabascan linguistic and geographic groups have inhabited the Tanana Valley: the Upper Tanana, Tanacross, Tanana, and Koyukon. Each group is further distinguished according to geographic location. The bands of the Tanana and Tanacross groups are historically associated with the geographic area that embodies Forts Wainwright and Greely. Salcha, Chena, Wood River, Goodpaster, and Healy Lake bands have inhabited the region since protohistoric times and possibly even prehistoric times (Andrews 1975). Use of the region varied from one band to the next. The Salcha, Chena, Goodpaster, and Wood River bands of the Tanana Athabascans and the Healy Lake band of the Tanacross Athabascans used certain parts of what are now Fort Wainwright and Fort Greely (McKennan 1981). Several villages have been reported on or near Fort Wainwright. One occupied by the Wood River band is said to have been located in the southern part of Fort Wainwright but has not been found (Dixon 1980; Reynolds 1986). The Blair Lakes Archaeological District (FAI-00335) on Fort Wainwright may relate to the prehistory of the Athabaskan Tradition. Euro-American historic archaeological sites are also present (Gamza 1995; Phillips 1984).

1.4. Historic Context

With the beginning of Euro-American contact in Interior Alaska in the early 19th century, trade influences and influxes of new populations began to change life in the region. Land use patterns shifted from traditional indigenous uses to activities based on Euro-American economic and political systems. Fort Wainwright's training lands fall within an area occupied at the time of Euro-American contact by Lower-Middle Tanana Athabascans, including bands described generally as the Salcha, Big Delta-Goodpaster, Wood River, and Chena bands (McKennan 1981; Andrews 1975; Mishler 1986). Historical accounts document traditional settlement patterns that were focused on a widely mobile seasonal round, with the fall caribou hunt playing a pivotal role in subsistence preparations for the winter and summer activities focused at fish camps, berry and root collecting, and in sheep hunting. These activities were frequently communal, with several local bands connected by common interest, geography, and intermarriage. Despite anthropological attempts to define boundaries for the peoples living in the lower Tanana River Valley, natural terrain served as the only definable boundary to settlement patterns (McKennan 1981).

As Euro-American traders, miners, missionaries, and explorers moved into the Tanana River Valley, the traditional life ways of local Athabascan groups were disrupted. Access to trade goods and the development of the fur trade not only affected traditional material culture, but also began to dramatically affect subsistence activities and settlement patterns. Similarly, the arrival of missionaries in the Alaskan interior profoundly influenced traditional social organization. The introduction of mission schools for Native children and the doctrine of new religious beliefs contributed to an erosion of traditional practices (McKennan 1981).

Russian fur traders began settling Interior Alaska starting in the 1810s, establishing a post at Nulato on the Yukon River and one at Taral on the Copper River. British traders established Fort Yukon in 1847. Trade goods from these posts may have passed to Tanana Athabascans and Upper Tanana Athabascans through intra-Native trade networks. Direct contact between Tanana Athabascans and white traders increased after the 1860s. With the U.S. purchase of Alaska in 1867, control of trading stations and the fur trade passed to Americans. Through the 1880s, American traders established several additional posts on the Yukon and Tanana Rivers, including locations at Nuklukayet (modern-day Tanana), Belle Isle (modern-day Eagle), and Fort Yukon.

Trade goods introduced by Euro-American settlers influenced the Native lifestyle. Clothing, staples, tools, and other necessities could be obtained through trade. Guns allowed hunters to obtain game with greater efficiency. Gradually, Athabascan groups began to alter their traditional nomadic patterns in favor of more permanent settlements. However, while significant, this contact would not have as dramatic an impact on the region as the discovery of gold in the Interior during the last decades of the 19th century. The towns established by Euro-American settlers at the turn of the 20th century, in response to the Klondike Gold Rush and the eventual military development of the region, would rapidly and permanently change the demography and economy of Interior Alaska.

The gold strikes in the Fortymile River region, Birch Creek area, and the Canadian Klondike began drawing miners and prospectors north in the 1880s and 1890s. In response to this gold rush, E.T. Barnette established a trading post on the Chena River in 1901. The following year, prospector Felix Pedro discovered gold nearby, and a new gold rush soon led to the founding of Fairbanks at the site of Barnette's original trading post. Most mining activities in the region occurred on creeks north of Fairbanks, with the town serving as a supply center. Agricultural and other commercial activities, such as logging, also developed to support mining activities in the Fairbanks area. Homesteads existed on parts of what is today the main post of Fort Wainwright as early as 1904.

In 1898, the discovery of gold in the Tanana uplands began a rush of Euro-American settlement into the Tanana River Valley. As the economic importance of the Tanana Valley increased, the need for reliable transportation routes and communication systems rose in tandem. Existing trails, such as the Bonnifield, Donnelly-Washburn, and Valdez-Fairbanks trails, saw increased use and development in the first decade of the 20th century. This increase in activity also resulted in the establishment of several roadhouses and posts. In 1906, Congressional appropriations led to improvement of the Valdez-Fairbanks Trail, crossing the Alaska Range south of Delta Junction, following the Tanana River to Fairbanks. Completion of the Alaska Railroad in 1923 was followed two decades later by construction of the Alaska Highway in 1942, firmly tying the Alaskan Interior to the outside.

As Fairbanks grew in the first decade of the 20th century, several agricultural homesteads were developed on lands now encompassed by sections of the Fort Wainwright cantonment. These homesteads provided Fairbanks with a variety of agricultural products and wood for fuel, but were subsumed when lands were withdrawn for the creation of Ladd Field, which later became Fort Wainwright (Price 2002).

Riverboats were the primary means of getting people and supplies into the Interior at the turn of the 20th century. The Fairbanks town site was located at the upper limit of navigation for stern-wheeler riverboats on the Chena River. Upriver from that point, residents navigated the river using shallow-draft boats in summer and sleds in winter. As commerce in the area increased, roads and trails were constructed, sometimes following earlier indigenous routes. The major overland route to the coast was the Valdez-Fairbanks Trail, which began as a military trail from Valdez to Eagle in 1899.

The transportation and communication networks, including the Alaska Railroad, were developed to serve new settlements in Interior Alaska. A branch of the railroad route was extended to Fairbanks in 1904. Roadhouses along the route catered to travelers. Some were located on what are now Fort Wainwright training lands. One property was on the Bonnifield Trail in TFTA, and two roadhouses and a seasonal tent operation existed along the Donnelly-Washburn Trail in the current DTA. Secondary routes connected Fairbanks to the surrounding mining districts.

By 1910, most of the easily accessible placer gold deposits were exhausted, and capital-intensive technologies became necessary to extract remaining deposits. These methods were not possible with the existing transportation infrastructure. The completion of the Alaska Railroad in 1923 expanded

transportation options for the region, connecting Fairbanks to Seward and making large-scale dredging operations economically feasible. Aviation also became a key component of Interior transportation, beginning in earnest in the 1920s. However, it was not until 1931 that Weeks Field, originally constructed in 1923, was officially dedicated as an airfield. Industrialized corporate activity became the hallmark of the region's mining in the remaining years before World War II.

The development in the Alaskan interior increased dramatically with the advent of World War II and subsequent military build-up in Alaska. Of particular significance was the development of airfields near Delta Junction (Fort Greely), Fairbanks (Ladd Field, later Fort Wainwright), and North Pole (Eielson Air Force Base). These locations began as Lend-Lease bases and cold weather testing centers, but soon expanded with the increased need for military support during World War II and later during the Cold War.

Full historic contexts of early mining, transportation, and homesteads on Fort Wainwright have been completed. These studies have determined that there are no properties eligible for the National Register under these contexts. Several village sites associated with the early contact period have been reported near Fort Wainwright. One was reported near Wood River Buttes, two just northwest of the installation's boundary and one near Fairbanks (Reynolds 1986). None have been reported or located on the Main Post.

In 1935, Ladd Field was authorized as a small cold weather testing station that was envisioned by General H. H. Arnold. Construction began in 1939, and, by 1940, Ladd Field was operational.

Cold weather testing at Ladd Field helped to improve the aircraft and equipment used by front-line aircrews. The Cold Weather Test Detachment's experimental tests contributed to the development of aircraft design, ground procedures and personnel equipment with stateside research agencies and manufacturers. After the start of World War II, Ladd Field also served as the transfer point for the Alaska Siberia (ALSIB) Lend-Lease aid to the Soviet Union. From 1942 to the end of the war in 1945, Ladd Field saw 7,926 aircraft and associated cargo change hands. Though it was controversial, the Lend-Lease aid to the Soviet Union played some part in the eventual defeat of Nazi Germany. Ladd Field also served as an air depot for the repair and supply of aircraft under the Air Transport Command, processing thousands of passengers as well as tons of cargo and mail.

In 1985, Ladd Field was listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Ladd Field was designated a National Historic Landmark for the themes of cold weather testing; aircraft repair, supply depot and air transfer hub; and transfer point for aircraft and cargo transiting the ALSIB route to the Soviet Union.

In 1947, the Air Force became a separate service, and Ladd Field became known as Ladd Air Force Base (AFB). Missions flown out of Ladd AFB played a significant role in the early years of the Cold War confrontation with the Soviet Union. Early in the Cold War, military planners decided on a heartland concept for Alaskan defense, concentrating on bases near Anchorage and Fairbanks as the strategic anchor points. Ladd AFB became the Northern Sector Headquarters for the Alaskan Air Command, and

its foremost missions during the Cold War were air defense, strategic reconnaissance and arctic research.

Ladd AFB's air defense mission was part of the plan to deter the Soviet Union from taking Alaskan territory and using it as a base from which to threaten the continental United States. Ladd AFB hosted tactical fighter intercept squadrons and combat alert cells. An Air Defense Command Center located on Ladd AFB was responsible for directing air battles in Alaska's northern sector. It also provided support to segments of the Distant Early Warning Line. In the earliest years of the Cold War, Ladd AFB hosted some of the first long-range strategic aerial reconnaissance units.

Ladd AFB was also the scene of significant Cold War arctic research. The cold weather equipment testing, begun during World War II, continued through the Cold War and expanded to include the Arctic Aeromedical Laboratory (AAL). The AAL studied human adaptation to arctic and sub-arctic climates with an eye toward military applications.

In 2001, the Ladd AFB Cold War Historic District was determined eligible for the NRHP. It was determined to be significant for its role in the early Cold War missions of the 46th/72nd Air Reconnaissance unit and for the fighter intercept squadrons stationed here.

In 1960, Ladd AFB was transferred to the Army and was renamed Fort Jonathan Wainwright on January 1, 1961. In Alaska, Cold War missions were predominately under the command of the Air Force, with the Army providing ground force defense and logistical supply. The Army also carried out cold weather training tactics and cold weather equipment testing. The onset of the Vietnam War and its high costs drained the Army's resources; troops at Wainwright were reassigned or deployed, causing a significant decrease in the post's population. In 1986, the mission of the post changed once again with the assignment of the 6th Light Infantry Division to Fort Wainwright. Since 1986, Fort Wainwright's mission has been to support worldwide deployment.

1.5. Status of Archaeological Resources

Archaeological research on Fort Wainwright training areas has resulted in numerous technical reports (Bacon 1979; Bacon and Holmes 1979; Carlson et al. 2016; Dixon et al. 1980; Esdale et al. 2017, 2016, 2015b, 2015c, 2014, 2013, 2012a, 2012b, and 2012c; Esdale and McLaren 2014, 2013; Esdale and Pelto 2017, Esdale and Robertson 2007; Espenshade 2010; Bradley et al. 1973; Gaines 2009; Gaines et al. 2010, 2010; Hedman et al. 2003; Higgs et al. 1999; Holmes 1979; Johnson and Bozarth 2008; Marshal 2007; Potter 2005; Potter et al. 2000; Rabich and Reger 1978; Raymond-Yakoubian 2006; Raymond-Yakoubian and Robertson 2005; Robertson et al. 2013; Robertson 2010; Robertson et al. 2004, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009; Staley 1993) and scientific papers (Esdale et al. 2015a, Holmes and Anderson 1986; West 1967, 1975).

Fort Wainwright and its training lands contain 700 known archaeological sites, one traditional cultural property, and six archaeological districts. Seventy-two sites are eligible for the National Register, 529 sites have not been evaluated, and 99 additional sites have been determined ineligible for the National Register. Of the eligible or un-evaluated sites, 9 are historic and 592 are prehistoric sites.

Archaeological investigations in what is now the DTA began in the 1960s, when Frederick West was searching for sites related to the first Americans (West 1967). He excavated the Donnelly Ridge site (XMH-00005) in 1964 and found an assemblage containing microblade core technology similar to early Holocene Denali Complex sites. Several surveys of Fort Greely and adjacent training lands in the late 1970s documented 64 new sites (Rabich and Reger 1977; Bacon 1979; Holmes 1979; Bacon and Holmes 1979). Julia Steele surveyed various locations in DTA from 1980-1983, finding four additional new sites (Steele 1980a, 1980b, 1982a, 1982b, 1983a, 1983b), and Georgeanne Reynolds surveyed the Donnelly Dome area in 1988, locating one more site (Reynolds 1988). Investigations in DTA from 1992-2002 were made by D. Staley (Staley 1993), T. Gamza (Gamza 1995), A. Higgs (Higgs et al. 1999), and D. Odess (Odess 2002). Sixteen new sites were found during this decade of fieldwork, and attempts were made to relocate old sites.

The concentrated efforts to expand survey coverage of DTA East began with CEMML archaeologists in 2002. Over 200 new sites were located in the Texas Range, Donnelly Drop Zone, and Eddy Drop Zone in the first half of the decade. In 2007, one site was found in the northernmost portion of DTA West by Ben Potter and others during survey for the Alaska Railroad Northern Rail Extension Project (Potter et al. 2007). In recent years, CEMML research aimed to evaluate many known archaeological sites in DTA for inclusion in the National Register in conjunction with use of the BAX and its SDZ. Sites have also been discovered during surveys for road and trail maintenance. Potential expansions into DTA West, west of the Delta River, prompted 2011 and 2012 surveys into new areas such as Molybdenum Ridge, where 21 new sites were discovered in 2011. Because of its remote setting, however, the archaeology of DTA West is still poorly understood and represents a gap in USAG FWA's inventory of cultural properties. The Cold Regions Test Center (CRTC) has also contracted with CEMML and others since the last Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan (ICRMP) to survey areas in DTA West, east of the Little Delta River, and many new archaeological sites have been recorded (Espenshade 2010).

To date, 475 archaeological sites have been identified within DTA. Fifty-five sites have been found to be eligible for the National Register, and 63 were found not eligible. An additional 354 sites remain to be evaluated. Historic archaeology sites are poorly represented in this region, with only four currently known to exist. The Donnelly Ridge Archaeological District (XMH-00388) encompasses Denali Complex sites, identified by Frederick West, south and west of Donnelly Dome. Two new prehistoric districts were identified in 2016, east and west of Jarvis Creek: the Jarvis Creek Archaeological District (XMH-01553) and the Heart among the Glaciers Archaeological District (XMH-01552) (Carlson et al. 2016). Future archaeological studies in DTA will concentrate on completing survey of 100% of the land in DTA East, conducting DOEs on archaeological sites in high traffic areas, and exploring parts of DTA West that are opening up for expansion of military training activities.

Despite its incomplete nature, the archaeological record known from DTA represents all of the currently recognized prehistoric cultures of the Alaskan Interior. Of significance is the role played by sites located on DTA in the definition of the Denali Complex of the American Paleoarctic Tradition (Anderson 1970; West 1967, 1981). The oldest dates for human habitation at DTA are roughly 10,100 years at site XBD-00167 (Higgs et al. 1999) and 10,900 radiocarbon years BP at XMH-00297 (Potter et al. 2016); however,

undisturbed stratigraphic deposits that are 12,800-12,930 years old indicate the potential for intact archaeological occupations of this age. Sites yielding Northern Archaic side-notched points are common (Robertson et al. 2004, 2005; Raymond-Yakoubian and Robertson 2005). At DTA, site XMH-00874 yielded an AMS date of 5720 ± 50 BP from hearth charcoal associated with a microblade component (Esdale et al. 2015, Robertson et al. 2008). A late prehistoric Athabascan occupation is recognized at several sites (e.g., Andrews 1975, 1987; Cook 1989; Mishler 1986; Sheppard et al. 1991; Shinkwin 1979; Yarborough 1978). Of particular interest in this regard is a copper projectile point found in a buried context at DTA at site XBD-00272 (Robertson et al. 2009). Euro-American historic archaeological sites are also present (Gamza 1995; Phillips 1984). The Delta River Overlook Site (XMH-00297), in current excavation by UAF and CEMML archaeologists, may prove to be one of the most significant prehistoric sites in the region. The site, overlooking the Delta River from a high bluff, has deeply stratified deposits and contains evidence of at least ten occupations over the time span of 3,000 to 11,000 years before present. People using the site were hunting bison in the river valley and processing the animals on the bluff edge. This site provides important evidence concerning changing subsistence strategies and tool technology over time (Potter et al. 2016).

2. CULTURAL RESOURCES

The majority of the BAX SDZ was surveyed in 2003, with additional surveys during 2007 (Figure 3). During 2006, USAG FWA decided that consideration of effects for sites in the BAX SDZ would not be included in the 2006 BAX construction MOA. This would allow USAG FWA time to conduct Phase II evaluations of sites located within the SDZ and determine possible adverse effects from munitions planned for use in the BAX. Site evaluations and determinations of eligibility (DOEs) for listing in the National Register for sites located in the BAX SDZ were conducted during 2008. Additional surveys in BAX took place to cover the expanded area in the 2012 amended MOA. Surveys took place during the 2012-2014 field seasons and were completed in 2015.



Figure 3. Archaeological surveys in the BAX SDZ by year.

2.1 Archaeological Sites in BAX SDZ

There are 128 eligible or not yet evaluated archaeological sites in the BAX SDZ (Table 2). Twenty-three sites, including two excavated sites (XMH-00284 and XMH-00874), have been determined eligible for the National Register. One new archaeological site was found during the 2017 field season during monitoring of other nearby sites.

Site	NRHP Status	Year of	Size	Site	NRHP Status	Year of	Size
		DOE	(m²)			DOE	(m²)
XMH-00274	Not Evaluated		1	XMH-01109	Eligible	2005	120
XMH-00277/00879	Eligible	2004	50	XMH-01110	Eligible	2005	100
XMH-00278	Not Evaluated		875	XMH-01111	Not Evaluated		100
XMH-00279/00918	Eligible	2005	700	XMH-01114	Not Evaluated		350
XMH-00284/00882	Eligible (excavated)	2004	300	XMH-01115/01117	Eligible	2005	320
XMH-	Eligible	2005	2800	XMH-01116	Eligible	2005	450
00292/00885/00886							
XMH-00322	Not Evaluated		50	XMH-01118	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00323/00893	Not Evaluated		5	XMH-01119	Not Evaluated		375
XMH-00874	Eligible (excavated)	2002	3400	XMH-01120	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00878/00908	Eligible	2005	9000	XMH-01121	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00881	Eligible	2002	1200	XMH-01122	Not Evaluated		150
XMH-00887	Eligible	2002	450	XMH-01123	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00890	Eligible	2002	600	XMH-01124	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00891	Eligible	2002	900	XMH-01125	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00894	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01126	Not Evaluated		480
XMH-00902	Not Evaluated		1500	XMH-01128	Not Evaluated		120
XMH-00903	Not Evaluated		5	XMH-01129	Not Evaluated		120
XMH-00904	Eligible	2005	200	XMH-01130	Not Evaluated		700
XMH-00905	Not Evaluated		375	XMH-01131/01132	Not Evaluated		0
XMH-00906	Not Evaluated		375	XMH-01133	Not Evaluated		120
XMH-00907	Not Evaluated		200	XMH-01134	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00909	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01135	Not Evaluated		0
XMH-00910/00911	Not Evaluated		8450	XMH-01136	Not Evaluated		0
XMH-00913	Not Evaluated		0	XMH-01137	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00914	Not Evaluated		300	XMH-01138	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00915	Not Evaluated		9600	XMH-01139	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00917	Not Evaluated		120	XMH-01140	Not Evaluated		120
XMH-00919	Not Evaluated		200	XMH-01141	Not Evaluated		120
XMH-00920	Eligible	2005	150	XMH-01143	Not Evaluated		5
XMH-00921	Not Evaluated		200	XMH-01145	Eligible	2005	130
XMH-00923/00922	Not Evaluated		3400	XMH-01146	Eligible	2005	750

Table 2. List of archaeological sites located in the BAX SDZ.

XMH-00924	Not Evaluated		552	XMH-01147	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-00925	Not Evaluated		875	XMH-01148	Not Evaluated		100
XMH-00926	Not Evaluated		150	XMH-01149	Not Evaluated		200
XMH-00927	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01150	Not Evaluated		1184
XMH-00928	Not Evaluated		800	XMH-01151	Not Evaluated		900
XMH-00929	Not Evaluated		1200	XMH-01152	Not Evaluated		100
XMH-00945	Eligible	2005	300	XMH-01162	Not Evaluated		150
XMH-00983	Not Eligible	2012	25	XMH-01163	Not Evaluated		140
XMH-01070	Not Evaluated		5	XMH-01175	Not Evaluated		25
XMH-01071	Not Evaluated		1	XMH-01176	Not Evaluated		120
XMH-01074	Not Evaluated		200	XMH-01303	Eligible	2006	1400
XMH-01075	Not Evaluated		400	XMH-01333	Not Evaluated		1
XMH-01076	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01360	Not Evaluated		100
XMH-01077	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01361	Not Evaluated		120
XMH-01085	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01362	Not Evaluated		10
XMH-01086	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01363	Not Evaluated		10
XMH-01087	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01364	Not Evaluated		5
XMH-01088	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01365	Not Evaluated		1
XMH-01089	Not Evaluated		240	XMH-01366	Not Evaluated		1
XMH-01090	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01367	Not Evaluated		40
XMH-01091	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01368	Not Evaluated		100
XMH-01092	Eligible	2005	120	XMH-01377	Not Evaluated		7000
XMH-01093	Eligible	2005	100	XMH-01378	Not Evaluated		100
XMH-01095/01142	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01384	Not Evaluated		150
XMH-01096	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01487	Not Evaluated		1
XMH-01097	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01493	Not Evaluated		1
XMH-01098	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01495	Not Evaluated		1
XMH-01099	Not Evaluated		900	XMH-01496	Not Evaluated		5
XMH-01100	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01511	Not Evaluated		100
XMH-01104	Not Evaluated		25	XMH-01512	Not Evaluated		5
XMH-01105	Not Evaluated		400	XMH-01535	Not Evaluated		50
XMH-01106	Not Evaluated		100	XMH-01548	Not Evaluated		5
XMH-01107	Eligible	2005	800	XMH-01555	Not Evaluated		10
XMH-01108	Not Evaluated		120				

XMH-01555 Latitude: Longitude: UTM: Zone 6 Determination of Eligibility: Not evaluated

XMH-01555 is located 9.7 km southeast of Delta Junction on a long glacial moraine. The site runs northeast-southwest on the eastern edge of the landform before the elevation drops to the surrounding

area (Figure 4). Donnelly Dome and the Granite Mountains are visible to the southwest, with the Granites extending to the southeast. Site vegetation consists of mostly low scrub, moss and lichen with an 85% surface exposure (Figure 5). Additional vegetation from sloped areas of the site include spruce, birch, alder and young birch. The nearest access to water is two small unnamed lakes, one 285 m to the northeast and the other 530 m to the northwest.

During survey, five small lithic scatters were recorded across the surface of the site (Figure 6). Material types range from tan, gray, green and banded cherts, to light gray or purple rhyolite and gray basalt. Artifacts include 19 flakes, a large chopper, microblade fragment, microblade core (Figure 7), microblade core fragment, biface fragment and biface tip (Figure 8). All the tools except the chopper were collected. No subsurface testing was conducted.



Figure 4. Location of XMH-01555 in DTA east.



Figure 5. XMH-01555 site overview and surface exposure.



Figure 6. XMH-01555 site map.



Figure 7. XMH-01555 microblade core.



Figure 8. XMH-01555 biface tip.

Table 3. XMH-01555 accession log.

Accession #	Provenience	Quantity	Artifact Type	Raw Material
UA2017-129-0001	surface	1	Microblade core fragment	Grey chert
UA2017-129-0002	surface	1	Medial microblade fragment	Black chert
UA2017-129-0003	surface	1	Biface tip	Grey banded chert
UA2017-129-0004	surface	1	Microblade core	Dark brown chert
UA2017-129-0005	surface	1	Biface fragment	Grey banded chert

3. MONITORING METHODOLOGY

The USAG FWA developed a site monitoring program in consultation with the Alaska SHPO to detect any possible impacts that the operation of the BAX may have on sites downrange in the SDZ. In order to ensure a continued finding of "no adverse effects," the USAG FWA implemented systematic, comprehensive monitoring of all sites within the SDZ. By definition, monitoring requires observation at regular intervals in order to determine status or condition. In this program, monitoring is conducted specifically to identify changes in the condition of archaeological sites or features through active field inspections. These inspections, occurring at regularly scheduled intervals, are intended to identify the nature and location of impacts, any changes to the site since last visited, and a general determination of site condition. In 2014, 123 sites were monitored. In 2015, three new sites were added to the monitoring program. Finally, in 2016 and 2017, one new site was discovered each year, bringing the total of archaeological sites to 128.

The intensity of monitoring is correlated to the likelihood of potential site impacts resulting from BAX use. A three-tiered monitoring schedule was followed from June 2010 to June 2012. With the changes to the PA in 2012, only two monitoring schedules are now followed: (1) annual and (2) after-training. Sites closest to the target areas (previously in the *aggressive* and *frequent* monitoring schedules) are visited annually and after each BAX training activity to a maximum of six times per year. Forty-eight sites are included in the annual and after-training monitoring schedule (Table 4). Seventy-nine sites are visited only once annually (Table 5).

Site	Site	Site	Site
XMH-00278	XMH-00905	XMH-00924	XMH-01086
XMH-00279/00918	XMH-00906	XMH-00925	XMH-01087
XMH-00292/00885/00886	XMH-00907	XMH-00926	XMH-01088
XMH-00322	XMH-00909	XMH-00927	XMH-01092
XMH-00323/00893	XMH-00910/00911	XMH-00928	XMH-01095/01142
XMH-00878/00908	XMH-00913	XMH-00929	XMH-01122
XMH-00887	XMH-00914	XMH-00945	XMH-01303
XMH-00890	XMH-00915	XMH-01071	XMH-01333
XMH-00891	XMH-00917	XMH-01074	XMH-01548

Table 4. Sites on the annual and after-training monitoring schedule.
XMH-00894	XMH-00919	XMH-01075	XMH-01555
XMH-00902	XMH-00920	XMH-01076	
XMH-00903	XMH-00921	XMH-01077	
XMH-00904	XMH-00923/00922	XMH-01085	

Site	Site	Site	Site
XMH-00274	XMH-01109	XMH-01135	XMH-01360
XMH-00277/00879	XMH-01110	XMH-01136	XMH-01361
XMH-00284/00882	XMH-01111	XMH-01137	XMH-01362
XMH-00874	XMH-01114	XMH-01138	XMH-01363
XMH-00881	XMH-01115/01117	XMH-01139	XMH-01364
XMH-01070	XMH-01116	XMH-01140	XMH-01365
XMH-01089	XMH-01118	XMH-01141	XMH-01366
XMH-01090	XMH-01119	XMH-01143	XMH-01367
XMH-01091	XMH-01120	XMH-01145	XMH-01368
XMH-01093	XMH-01121	XMH-01146	XMH-01377
XMH-01096	XMH-01123	XMH-01147	XMH-01378
XMH-01097	XMH-01124	XMH-01148	XMH-01384
XMH-01098	XMH-01125	XMH-01149	XMH-01487
XMH-01099	XMH-01126	XMH-01150	XMH-01493
XMH-01100	XMH-01128	XMH-01151	XMH-01495
XMH-01104	XMH-01129	XMH-01152	XMH-01496
XMH-01105	XMH-01130	XMH-01162	XMH-01511
XMH-01106	XMH-01131/01132	XMH-01163	XMH-01512
XMH-01107	XMH-01133	XMH-01175	XMH-01535
XMH-01108	XMH-01134	XMH-01176	

Table 5. Sites on the annual monitoring schedule.

Site monitoring is conducted under the supervision of a person or persons meeting the *Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards* (36 CFR §61).

A USAG FWA site monitoring form is completed for each site visit and documents: (1) the present condition of the site; (2) the nature and character of all observable impacts to the integrity of the site; (3) extent, character, and nature of any damage observed at the site; and (4) the presence of new artifacts. High quality photo documentation is also conducted, and the form provides a place for logging digital photos. Photographs and previous site descriptions and maps are used to compare current conditions with those visible during previous monitoring episodes.

During the first round of site visits, several photo points were established. These specific locations serve as fixed points of reference used to consistently document each site over time. The number of photo

points at each site varies by the site's size and complexity. There are two to four photo points at each site; more photo points are used for larger sites. Upon subsequent site visits, digital photographs are taken from each photo point.

If an adverse effect is noticed through site monitoring, it will be recorded on site monitoring forms. Location, extent, and the nature of impact will be recorded on site maps and photographed. If the impact is subsurface in nature, the depth of impact and associated effects to underlying strata will be assessed and recorded.

Any adverse effect to a site will be reported to the SHPO directly. All findings from monitoring are reported in a USAG FWA annual monitoring report per stipulation IIb of the programmatic agreement.

4. MONITORING RESULTS

Monitoring of the 128 prehistoric sites occurred once in 2017 for all but two sites. Live fire activities in the BAX took place twelve times in 2017 for a total of 66 days. Three days of non-fire activities also took place in the BAX (Table 6).

From June 2010 to December 2017, 46 of the 48 sites located closest to the BAX targets were visited up to 17 times each (Table 7). None of the 48 sites monitored closest to the BAX targets showed signs of disturbance from live-fire trainings. Of the 79 more distant sites, 78 of them were each visited once annually, or up to 8 times each, from June 2010 through December 2017 (Table 8). No damage was discovered on any of these sites.

Event Name	Start Date	End Date
LIGHT INFANTRY SMALLL ARMS COLLECTIVE TRAINING (IN)	11/16/16	11/21/16
FTX/STX (SQD/PLT/CO)		
AMMUNITION SUPPLY POINT (ASP)	3/16/17	3/18/17
HMMWV GT V	3/18/17	3/22/17
HMMWV GT VI	3/20/17	3/30/17
HMMWV GT V	3/26/17	3/29/17
SBCT ICV MK 19 PRACTICE (CREW)	4/17/17	5/15/17
		(except 4-19 and 4-23)
OCCUPY	6/21/17	6/21/17
CONVOY PROTECTION PLATFORM (CPP) CLFX	6/22/17	6/22/17
SBCT MOBILE GUN SYSTEM (MGS) TABLE VI	9/5/17	9/10/17
SBCT MOBILE GUN SYSTEM (MGS) TABLE VI	9/16/17	9/20/17
SBCT MOBILE GUN SYSTEM (MGS) TABLE VI	9/25/17	9/29/17

Table 6. BAX usage schedule 2017.

The USAG FWA has determined that two historic properties have been adversely affected by live-fire training activity in the BAX SDZ for the period of June 2010 to December 2017 based on the results of field observations and monitoring activities conducted during this period. Mitigation for these adverse

effects was agreed upon in FW-MOA-1411. This satisfies the stipulations of FWA-PA-1003 as amended in 2012.

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		2010	2010	2011	2011	Н	2011	2011	2012	aining	Training	2013	2014	aining	2015	2016	2017
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Site	Spri	Sur	Sun	Win	Win	Spri	Sur	Sur	Wir	5/19	8/16/12	Sur	Sun	8/2	m	mn	'n
XMH-00278	6/3/10		8/9/10		1/12/11	6/20/11	7/14/11	9/7/11	3/13/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/19/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/20/17
XMH-00279/00918	6/2/10	7/7/10	8/9/10	12/6/10	1/12/11	6/16/11	7/25/11	8/31/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/31/12	8/19/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/10/15	8/30/16	6/21/17
XMH-00292/00885/00886	6/4/10		8/3/10		1/13/11	6/20/11	7/14/11	9/1/11	3/12/12	6/27/12	8/30/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/17/2014 9/5/2016	6/18/15	9/5/16	6/26/17
XMH-00322			not	t relocated													
XMH-00323/00893				itored until 2012						7/3/12	10/4/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/18/15	8/15/16	6/27/17
XMH-00878/00908	6/1/10	7/6/10	8/5/10	12/6/10	1/12/11	6/16/11	7/25/11	8/31/11	3/12/12	6/26/12	8/30/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/17/14	6/10/15	9/29/16	6/21/17
XMH-00887	6/3/10		8/3/10		1/13/11	6/21/11		9/1/11	3/13/12	6/28/12	8/30/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/17/14	6/10/15	N/A	6/26/17
XMH-00890	6/3/10		8/4/10		1/13/11	6/21/11		9/1/11	3/13/12	6/28/12	8/29/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/17/14	6/17/15	9/7/16	6/26/17
XMH-00891	6/8/10		8/4/10		1/13/11	6/21/11		9/1/11	3/12/12	6/26/12	8/30/12	8/27/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/18/15	9/7/16	6/27/17
XMH-00894	6/4/10		8/4/10		1/14/11	6/22/11		9/7/11		6/28/12	10/4/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/17/14	6/18/15	9/7/16	6/26/17
XMH-00902				itored until 2012						7/30/12	10/4/12	8/28/13	7/3/14	9/16/14	6/18/15	9/7/16	6/27/17
XMH-00903				itored until 2012						7/30/12	10/4/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/18/15	9/7/16	6/27/17
XMH-00904	6/7/10	7/6/10	8/12/10	12/6/10	1/12/11	6/16/11	8/2/11	8/31/11		6/28/12	8/31/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/10/15	8/15/16	6/27/17
XMH-00905	6/7/10	7/6/10	8/12/10		1/14/11	6/15/11	8/2/11	8/31/11		6/28/12	8/31/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/18/15	8/15/16	6/27/17
XMH-00906	6/2/10	7/6/10	8/5/10	12/6/10	1/13/11	6/15/11	7/25/11	8/31/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/31/12	8/26/13	7/3/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/21/17
XMH-00907	6/1/10	7/6/10	8/5/10	12/6/10	1/12/11	6/15/11	7/25/11	8/31/11	3/12/12	6/26/12	9/3/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/17/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/21/17
XMH-00909	6/1/10	7/6/10	8/10/10	12/6/10	1/13/11	6/14/11	7/25/11	8/31/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/30/16	N/A
XMH-00910/00911	6/1/10	7/6/10	8/10/10	12/6/10	1/13/11	6/15/11	7/25/11	8/31/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	7/27/17
XMH-00913	6/1/10		8/10/10		1/13/11	6/22/11		9/7/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/30/16	7/27/17
XMH-00914	6/1/10	7/6/10	8/5/10	12/6/10	1/12/11	6/16/11	7/25/11	8/31/11		6/25/12	9/3/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/30/16	6/21/17
XMH-00915	6/3/10		8/9/10		1/13/11	6/22/11		9/7/11	3/13/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/19/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/20/17
XMH-00917	6/2/10		8/9/10		1/13/11	6/22/11		9/7/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/19/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/21/17
XMH-00919	6/3/10		8/9/10		1/13/11	6/21/11		9/7/11		6/25/12	9/29/12	8/19/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/20/17
XMH-00920	6/3/10		8/4/10		1/13/11	5/24/11		9/7/11		7/30/12	9/3/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/17/14	6/10/15	9/8/16	7/27/17
XMH-00921	6/1/10		8/10/10		1/12/2011	5/24/11		9/7/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/21/17
XMH-00923/00922	6/2/10		8/5/10		1/12/11	5/24/11		9/7/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/30/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/26/17
XMH-00924	6/2/10		8/5/10		1/12/11	5/24/11		9/7/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/30/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/26/1
XMH-00925	6/1/10		8/10/10		1/12/11	6/22/11		9/7/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/26/13	7/1/14	9/19/14	6/10/15	8/29/16	6/26/17
XMH-00926	6/1/10		8/10/10		1/13/11	6/22/11		9/7/11	3/12/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/19/14	6/18/15	9/8/16	6/21/17

Table 7. Forty-eight sites monitored after training, spring 2010-December 2017.

XMH-00927	6/2/10		8/5/10		1/13/11	6/20/11		9/7/11		6/25/12	8/29/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/19/14	6/18/15	9/8/16	6/26/17
XMH-00928	6/2/10		8/3/10		1/12/11	6/21/11		9/1/11	3/12/12	6/28/12	10/4/12	8/27/13	7/2/14	9/17/14	6/18/15	9/5/16	6/26/17
XMH-00929			8/4/10			6/26/11		9/1/11	5, 12, 12	6/28/12						9/7/16	6/26/17
	6/3/10				1/12/11						8/30/12	8/26/13	9/17/14	9/17/14	6/18/15		
XMH-00945	6/1/10	7/6/10	8/5/10	12/6/10	1/12/11	5/24/11	7/25/11	8/31/11		6/26/12	8/30/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/17/14	6/10/15	N/A	6/26/17
XMH-01071			not monite	ored until 2012						7/3/12	8/29/12	8/28/13	7/3/14	9/18/14	6/8/15	9/23/16	6/28/17
XMH-01074	6/9/10		8/2/10		1/14/11	6/26/11		9/6/11	3/13/12	7/3/12	8/29/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/18/14	6/8/15	9/23/16	6/28/17
XMH-01075	6/9/10		8/2/10		1/14/11	6/26/11		9/6/11	3/13/12	7/3/12	8/29/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/18/14	6/8/15	9/23/16	6/28/17
XMH-01076	6/9/10		8/2/10		1/14/11	6/27/11		9/6/11	3/13/12	7/3/12	8/29/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/18/14	6/8/15	9/23/16	6/28/17
XMH-01077	6/9/10		8/2/10		1/14/11	6/20/11		9/6/11	3/13/12	7/3/12	8/29/12	8/28/13	7/2/14	9/18/14	6/8/15	9/23/16	6/28/17
XMH-01085	6/4/10		8/3/10		1/12/11	6/20/11		9/6/11		6/28/12	10/4/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/18/14	6/18/15	9/5/16	6/26/17
XMH-01086	6/4/10		8/3/10		1/12/11	6/20/11		9/6/11		6/28/12	10/4/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/18/14	6/18/15	9/5/16	6/26/17
XMH-01087	6/4/10		8/3/10		1/12/11	6/20/11		9/6/11		6/28/12	10/4/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/18/14	6/18/15	9/5/16	6/26/17
XMH-01088	6/4/10		8/3/10		1/12/11	6/21/11		9/6/11		6/28/12	10/4/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/18/14	6/18/15	9/5/16	6/26/17
XMH-01092	6/2/10		8/5/10		1/12/11	6/20/11		9/7/11		6/28/12	8/31/12	8/27/13	7/2/14	9/17/14	6/8/15	9/7/16	6/26/17
XMH-01095/01142	6/2/10		8/2/10		1/13/11	6/20/11		9/6/11		6/28/12	10/4/12	8/27/13	7/1/14	9/17/14	6/18/15	9/5/16	6/26/17
XMH-01122	6/3/10		8/4/10		1/13/11	6/21/11		9/7/11		7/30/12	9/3/12	8/26/13	7/2/14	9/17/14	6/10/15	9/8/16	7/27/17
XMH-01303	6/8/10	7/7/10	8/11/10	12/6/10	1/12/11		7/25/11	8/31/11	3/13/12	6/25/12	8/29/12	6/4/13	7/2/14	9/16/14	6/10/15	8/30/16	6/27/17
XMH-01333				no	t monitored uni	il 2012				7/30/12	10/4/12	8/28/2013	7/3/14	9/16/14	6/18/15	9/22/16	6/27/17
XMH-01548							n	ot monitored ur	ntil 2016							9/7/16	6/26/17
XMH-01555								not moni	tored until 2017								6/26/17

Site	2010 Annual	2011 Annual	2012 Annual	2013 Annual	2014 Annual	2015 Annual	2016 Annual	2017 Annual	
XMH-00274	Annual	Annuar	8/6/12	6/19/13	6/24/14	6/15/15	9/22/16	7/20/17	
XMH-00277/00879	6/9/10	6/29/11	8/9/12	6/17/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	N/A	6/27/17	
XMH-00284/00882	6/4/10	6/29/11	8/6/12	6/19/13	6/25/14	6/17/15	9/21/16	6/29/17	
XMH-00874	0/4/10	0/25/11	6/27/12	8/28/13	6/26/14	6/19/15	N/A	6/27/17	
XMH-00881	6/4/10	6/29/11	8/6/12	6/19/13	6/25/14	6/25/15	9/21/16	6/29/17	
XMH-01070	6/9/10	7/18/11	10/4/12	6/20/13	7/2/14	6/28/15	N/A	7/27/17	
XMH-01089	6/3/10	6/18/11	8/28/12	6/18/13	6/18/14	6/19/15	8/31/16	6/28/17	
XMH-01089 XMH-01090	6/3/10	6/29/11	8/28/12	6/18/13	6/18/14 6/18/14	6/19/15	8/31/16	6/28/17	
XMH-01090	6/3/10	7/18/11	8/28/12	6/18/13	6/18/14	6/19/15	8/31/16	6/28/17	
XMH-01091	6/7/10	7/18/11	10/4/12	6/20/13	7/3/14	6/18/15	N/A	6/29/17	
XMH-01095 XMH-01096	6/4/10	7/19/11	missed	6/20/13	6/25/14	6/17/15	8/21/16	6/28/1	
XMH-01090 XMH-01097	6/7/10	6/29/11	8/9/12	6/18/13	6/25/14	6/17/15	8/21/16		
XMH-01097 XMH-01098	6/8/10	6/29/11	8/9/12	6/17/13	6/23/14 6/24/14	6/17/15	9/21/16	6/29/1	
XMH-01098 XMH-01099	6/7/10	7/19/11	8/9/12	6/17/13	6/24/14 6/24/14	6/17/15	9/21/10	6/29/1	
XMH-01099 XMH-01100	6/7/10	6/29/11	8/9/12	6/17/13	6/24/14 6/24/14	6/17/15	9/21/10 N/A	6/29/1	
XMH-01100 XMH-01104	6/8/10	7/18/11	8/9/12 8/9/12	6/17/13	6/24/14 6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/29/1	
								6/27/1	
XMH-01105	6/9/10	7/18/11	8/31/12	6/17/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/28/1	
XMH-01106	6/8/10	6/30/11	8/31/12	6/17/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/28/1	
XMH-01107	6/9/10	6/30/11	8/9/12	6/17/13	6/25/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/27/1	
KMH-01108	6/8/10	6/30/11	10/4/12	6/17/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/27/1	
KMH-01109	6/8/10	6/30/11	8/31/12	6/17/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/27/1	
KMH-01110	6/7/10	6/30/11	10/4/12	6/20/13	7/3/14	6/19/15	N/A	6/29/1	
XMH-01111	6/8/10	7/18/11	10/4/12	6/8/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/27/1	
KMH-01114	6/10/10	7/18/11	8/9/12	6/10/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/27/1	
KMH-01115/01117	6/10/10	7/11/11	8/9/12	6/10/13	6/25/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/27/1	
XMH-01116	6/10/10	7/11/11	8/9/12	6/10/13	6/25/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/28/1	
KMH-01118	6/17/10	7/11/11	8/7/12	6/10/13	6/30/14	6/19/15	9/22/16	9/13/1	
XMH-01119	6/17/10	7/11/11	8/7/12	6/17/13	6/10/14	6/19/15	8/31/16	9/13/1	
XMH-01120	6/7/10	6/30/11	10/4/12	6/7/13	7/3/14	6/17/15	N/A	6/28/1	
XMH-01121	6/7/10	7/14/11	10/4/12	6/7/13	7/3/14	6/17/15	N/A	6/28/1	
XMH-01123	6/15/10	7/14/11	8/28/12	6/10/13	6/24/14	6/16/15	9/22/16	7/19/1	
XMH-01124	6/15/10	7/19/11	8/28/12	6/17/13	7/1/14	6/16/15	9/22/16	7/19/1	
XMH-01125	6/15/10	7/19/11	8/28/12	6/15/13	7/1/14	6/16/15	9/22/16	7/19/1	
XMH-01126	6/17/10	7/11/11	8/8/12	6/17/13	6/30/14	6/17/15	8/31/16	9/13/1	
XMH-01128	6/16/10	7/11/11	8/28/12	6/16/13	6/23/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
KMH-01129	6/16/10	7/17/11	8/27/12	6/16/13	6/23/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
XMH-01130	6/16/10	7/14/11	8/8/12	6/16/13	6/23/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
KMH-01131/01132	6/15/10	7/11/11	8/28/12	6/15/13	7/1/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
KMH-01133	6/15/10	7/11/11	8/28/12	6/15/13	7/1/14	6/16/15	N/A	7/19/1	
KMH-01134	6/15/10	7/11/11	8/23/12	6/16/13	6/23/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
KMH-01135	6/16/10	7/11/11	8/27/12	6/16/13	6/23/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
KMH-01136	6/16/10	7/11/11	8/27/12	6/16/13	6/23/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
XMH-01137	6/16/10	7/11/11	8/28/12	6/15/13	6/19/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
XMH-01138	6/15/10	7/20/11	8/28/12	6/18/13	7/1/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/1	
XMH-01139	6/15/10	7/11/11	8/28/12	6/18/13	6/19/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	9/13/1	
XMH-01140	6/9/10	7/11/11	8/9/12	6/19/13	6/25/14	6/19/15	9/22/16	6/28/1	
XMH-01141	6/9/10	7/11/11	8/9/12	6/19/03	6/25/14	6/19/15	9/22/16	6/28/1	
XMH-01143		· ·	8/29/12	6/20/13	6/26/14	6/11/15	9/23/16	9/12/1	

Table 8. Seventy-nine sites monitored annually 2010-2017.

XMH-01145	6/10/10	7/14/11	8/29/12	6/20/13	6/26/14	6/11/15	9/23/16	9/12/17
XMH-01146	6/10/10	7/7/11	8/29/12	6/10/13	6/26/14	6/11/15	9/23/16	9/12/17
XMH-01147	6/10/10	7/14/11	8/29/12	6/10/13	6/26/14	6/11/15	9/23/16	9/12/17
XMH-01148	6/17/10	7/18/11	8/21/12	6/17/13	7/1/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/17
XMH-01149	6/17/10	7/18/11	8/21/12	6/18/13	7/1/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	7/19/17
XMH-01150	6/16/10	7/18/11	8/21/12	6/19/13	6/19/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	9/13/17
XMH-01151	6/16/10	7/11/11	8/21/12	6/18/13	6/19/14	6/16/15	9/21/16	9/13/17
XMH-01152	6/15/10	7/11/11	8/9/12	6/19/13	6/25/14	6/17/15	9/23/16	7/20/17
XMH-01162	6/10/10	7/11/11	8/29/12	6/20/13	6/26/14	N/A	9/23/16	9/12/17
XMH-01163	6/17/10	7/11/11	8/27/12	6/18/13	6/19/14	6/17/15	9/21/16	7/19/17
XMH-01175	6/10/10	7/18/11	8/9/12	6/17/13	6/24/14	6/17/15	9/22/16	6/27/17
XMH-01176	6/17/10	7/11/11	8/7/12	6/19/13	6/30/14	6/18/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01360			8/6/12	6/19/13	6/24/14	6/15/15	9/22/16	7/20/17
XMH-01361	6/15/10	5/24/11	8/6/12	6/19/13	6/24/14	6/15/15	9/22/16	7/20/17
XMH-01362	6/17/10	7/11/11	8/7/12	6/19/13	6/10/14	6/18/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01363	6/15/10	7/14/11	8/7/12	6/19/13	6/10/14	6/15/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01364			8/7/12	6/19/13	6/10/14	6/15/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01365			8/7/12	6/19/13	6/10/14	6/15/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01366			8/7/12	6/19/13	6/10/14	6/15/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01367	6/16/10	7/14/11	8/7/12	6/18/13	6/10/14	6/15/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01368	6/16/10	7/14/11	8/7/12	6/18/13	6/10/14	6/17/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01377			8/28/12	6/18/13	6/10/14	6/17/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01378			8/28/12	6/18/03	6/10/14	6/17/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01384	6/16/10	7/14/11	8/7/12	6/18/13	6/10/14	6/15/15	8/31/16	9/13/17
XMH-01487	A	rtifact found in	files in 2012, s	ite not relocate	d			
XMH-01493		Site found	8/21/2012	6/18/13	7/1/14	6/18/15	9/8/16	9/13/17
XMH-01495			Site found	6/12/2013	7/1/14	6/19/15	N/A	7/20/17
XMH-01496			Site found	6/12/2013	7/1/14	6/18/15	N/A	9/13/17
XMH-01511				Site found	8/27/2014	6/15/15	9/8/16	9/13/17
XMH-01512				Site found	8/25/2014	6/15/15	9/8/16	6/28/17
XMH-01535				Site found	8/28/2014	6/15/15	9/8/16	9/13/17

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APPENDIX 1: Forty-eight sites monitored after training

XMH-00278



Figure 9. XMH-00278, Point 1, 6/3/10 (SW)

XMH-00279/00918



Figure 11. XMH-00279, Point 1, 6/2/10 (NE)

XMH-00292/00885/00886



Figure 13. XMH-00292/00885/00886, Point 1, 6/4/10 (SE)



Figure 10. XMH-00278, Point 1, 9/12/17 (SW)



Figure 12. XMH-00279, Point 1, 9/12/17 (E)



Figure 14. XMH-00292/00885/00886, Point 1, 6/26/17 (S)

XMH-00323/00893



Figure 15. XMH-00323/00893, Point 1, 7/3/12 (S)

XMH-00878/00908



Figure 17. XMH-00878/908, Point 1, 6/1/10 (N)



Figure 19. XMH-00878/908, Point 3, 6/1/10 (SW)



Figure 16. XMH-00323/00893, Point 1, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 18. XMH-00878/908, Point 1, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 20. XMH-00878/908, Point 3, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 21. XMH-00887, Point 1, 6/2/10 (N)

XMH-00890



Figure 23. XMH-00890, Point 1, 6/3/10 (N)



Figure 25. XMH-00891, Point 2, 6/8/10 (N)



Figure 22. XMH-00887, Point 1, 9/11/17 (N)



Figure 24. XMH-00890, Point 1, 9/11/17 (N)



Figure 26. XMH-00891, Point 2, 9/11/17 (N) After site capping experiment.



Figure 27. XMH-00894, Point 1, 6/4/10 (W)

XMH-00902



Figure 29. XMH-00902, Point 1, 7/30/12 (N)



Figure 31. XMH-00903, Point 2, 7/30/12 (N)



Figure 28. XMH-00894, Point 1, 9/11/17 (W)



Figure 30. XMH-00902, Point 1, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 32. XMH-00903, Point 1, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 33. XMH-00904, Point 1, 6/7/10 (NW)

XMH-00905



Figure 35. XMH-00905, Point 1, 6/7/10 (NW)



Figure 37. XMH-00906, Point 1, 6/2/10 (N)



Figure 34. XMH-00904, Point 1, 9/12/17 (W)



Figure 36. XMH-00905, Point 1, 9/12/17





Figure 38. XMH-00906, Point 1, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 39. XMH-00907, Point 1, 6/1/10 (N)

XMH-00909



Figure 41. XMH-00909, Point 1, 6/1/10 (NW)

XMH-00910/XMH-00911



Figure 43. XMH-00910/911, Point 1, 6/1/10 (NNE)



Figure 40. XMH-00907, Point 1, 9/12/17 (W)



Figure 42. XMH-00909, Point 2, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 44. XMH-00910/911, Point 1, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 45. XMH-00910/911, Point 2, 6/1/10 (N)



Figure 47. XMH-00910/911, Point 4, 6/1/10 (SW)



Figure 49. XMH-00913, Point 1, 6/1/10 (NNW)



Figure 46. XMH-00910/911, Point 2, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 48. XMH-00910/911, Point 4, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 50. XMH-00913, Point 1, 9/12/17 (NW)



Figure 51. XMH-00914, Point 1, 6/1/10 (S)



Figure 53. XMH-00915, Point 1, 6/3/10 (NE)



Figure 55. XMH-00915, Point 2, 6/3/10 (SW)



Figure 52. XMH-00914, Point 2, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 54. XMH-00915, Point 1, 9/12/17 (SW)



Figure 56. XMH-00915, Point 2, 9/12/17 (NW)



Figure 57. XMH-00915, Point 3, 6/3/10 (SSW)



Figure 59. XMH-00917, Point 1, 6/2/10 (SE)



Figure 61. XMH-00919, Point 1, 6/3/10 (SW)



Figure 58. XMH-00915, Point 3, 9/12/17 (SE)



Figure 60. XMH-00917, Point 1, 9/12/17 (SW)



Figure 62. XMH-00919, Point 1, 9/12/17 (E)



Figure 63. XMH-00920, Point 1, 6/3/10 (S)

XMH-00921



Figure 65. XMH-00921, Point 1, 6/1/10 (NNE)

XMH-00922/XMH-00923



Figure 67. XMH-00922/00923, Point 1, 6/2/10 (SE)



Figure 64. XMH-00920, Point 1, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 66. XMH-00921, Point 1, 9/11/17 (S)



Figure 68. XMH-00922/00923, Point 1, 9/12/17 (W) Notice Stryker tracks through site from Arctic Anvil (2016)



Figure 69. XMH-00922/00923, Point 2, 6/2/10 (SW)



Figure 71. XMH-00922/00923, Point 3, 6/2/10 (SW)



Figure 73. XMH-00922/00923, Point 4, 12/6/10 (NNW)



Figure 70. XMH-00922/00923, Near Point 2, 9/11/17 (NW)



Figure 72. XMH-00922/00923, Point 3, 9/11/17 (W) Notice slight trace of tracks from Arctic Anvil (2016)



Figure 74. XMH-00922/00923, Site Datum, 9/11/17 (NW)



Figure 75. XMH-00924, Point 1, 6/2/10 (ESE)

XMH-00925



Figure 77. XMH-00925, Point 1, 6/1/10 (W)



Figure 79. XMH-00926, Point 1, 6/1/10 (SSE)



Figure 76. XMH-00924, Near Point 1, 9/11/17 (W)



Figure 78. XMH-00925, Point 1, 9/12/17 (E)



Figure 80. XMH-00926, Point 1, 9/12/17 (E)



Figure 81. XMH-00927, Point 1, 6/2/10 (W)

XMH-00928



Figure 83. XMH-00928, Point 1, 6/2/10 (N)



Figure 85. XMH-00929, Point 1, 6/3/10 (N)



Figure 82. XMH-00927, Point 1, 9/11/17 (W)



Figure 84. XMH-00928, Point 1, 9/11/17 (N)



Figure 86. XMH-00929, Point 1, 9/11/17 (N)



Figure 87. XMH-00945, Point 1, 6/1/10 (S)

XMH-01071



Figure 89. XMH-01071, Point 1, 7/3/12 (S)



Figure 91. XMH-01074, Point 1, 6/9/10 (W)



Figure 88. XMH-00945, Point 1, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 90. XMH-01071, Point 1, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 92. XMH-01074, Point 1, 9/12/17 (NW)



Figure 93. XMH-01075, Point 1, 6/9/10 (S)

XMH-01076



Figure 95. XMH-01076, Point 1, 6/9/10 (NE)



Figure 97. XMH-01077, Point 1, 6/9/10 (S)



Figure 94. XMH-01075, Point 1, 9/12/17 (SW)



Figure 96. XMH-01076, Point 1, 9/12/17 (SE)



Figure 98. XMH-01077, Point 2, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 99. XMH-01085, Point 1, 6/4/10 (N)

XMH-01086



Figure 101. XMH-01086, Point 1, 6/4/10 (S)



Figure 103. XMH-001087, Point 1, 6/4/10 (S)



Figure 100. XMH-01085, Point 1, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 102. XMH-01086, Point 1, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 104. XMH-01087, Point 1, 9/12/17



Figure 105. XMH-01088, Point 1, 9/11/17 (NW)

XMH-01092



Figure 107. XMH-01092, Point 1, 6/2/10 (S)

XMH-01095/01142



Figure 109. XMH-01095/01142, Point 1, 6/2/10 (N)



Figure 106. XMH-01088, Point 1, 9/11/17 (N)



Figure 108. XMH-01092, Point 1, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 110. XMH-01095/01142, Point 1, 9/12/17 (N)



Figure 111. XMH-01122, Point 1, 6/3/10 (SW)

XMH-001303



Figure 113. XMH-001303, Point 1, 6/8/10 (W)



Figure 115. XMH-001333, Point 1, 7/30/12 (S)



Figure 112. XMH-01122, Point 1, 9/12/17 (W)



Figure 114. XMH-001303, Point 2, 9/12/17 (W)



Figure 116. XMH-001333, Point 2, 9/12/17 (SSW)



Figure 117. XMH-01548, Point 1, 6/26/17 Site discovered in 2016



Figure 118. XMH-01548, Point 1, 9/11/17 (S)
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XMH-00274



Figure 119. XMH-00274, Point 2, 8/6/12 (S)

XMH-00277/00879



Figure 121. XMH-00277/00879, Point 1, 6/9/10 (SW)



Figure 123. XMH-00277/00879, Point 1, 8/9/12 (SSW)



Figure 120. XMH-00274, Point 2, 7/20/17 (S)



Figure 122. XMH-00277/00879, Point 1, 6/27/17 (W)



Figure 124. XMH-00277/00879, Point 1, 6/27/17 (S)

XMH-00284/00882



Figure 125. XMH-00284/00882, Point 1, 6/4/10 (S)

XMH-00874



Figure 127. XMH-00874, Point 1, 6/27/12 (N)



Figure 129. XMH-00881, Point 1, 6/4/10 (S)



Figure 126. XMH-00284/00882, Point 1, 6/29/17 (SE)



Figure 128. XMH-00874, Point 1, 6/27/17 (S)



Figure 130. XMH-00881, Point 1, 6/29/17 (NE)



Figure 131. XMH-01070, Point 2, 6/9/10 (N)

XMH-01089



Figure 133. XMH-01089, Point 1, 6/3/10 (NW)



Figure 135. XMH-01090, Point 1, 6/3/10 (SW)



Figure 132. XMH-01070, Point 2, 7/27/17 (N)



Figure 134. XMH-01089, Point 1, 6/28/17 (N)



Figure 136. XMH-01090, Point 1, 6/28/2017 (S)



Figure 137. XMH-01091, Point 1, 6/3/10 (S)

XMH-01093



Figure 139. XMH-01093, Point 2, 6/7/10 (NE)



Figure 141. XMH-01096, Point 1, 6/4/10 (SW)



Figure 138. XMH-01091 Point 1, 6/28/17 (S)



Figure 140. XMH-01093, Point 2, 6/29/17 (N)



Figure 142. XMH-01096, Point 1, 6/28/17 (S)



Figure 143. XMH-01097, Point 2, 6/4/10 (NE)

XMH-01098



Figure 145. XMH-01098, Point 2, 6/8/10 (SE)



Figure 147. XMH-01099, Point 1, 6/7/10 (SW)



Figure 144. XMH-01097, Point 2, 6/29/17 (N)



Figure 146. XMH-01098, Point 2, 6/29/17 (E)



Figure 148. XMH-01099, Point 1, 6/29/17 (S)



Figure 149. XMH-01100, Point 1, 6/7/10 (N)

XMH-01104



Figure 151. XMH-01104, Point 1, 6/8/10 (SE)



Figure 153. XMH-01105, Point 2, 6/9/10 (NNE)



Figure 150. XMH-01100, Point 1, 6/29/17 (N)



Figure 152. XMH-01104, Point 2, 6/27/17 (SE)



Figure 154. XMH-01105, Point 1, 6/28/17 (E)



Figure 155. XMH-01106, Point 1, 6/8/10 (NE)

XMH-01107



Figure 157. XMH-01107, Point 3, 6/9/10 (NW)



Figure 159. XMH-01108, Point 2, 6/8/10 (S)



Figure 156. XMH-01106, Point 1, 6/28/17 (N)



Figure 158. XMH-01107, Point 1, 6/27/17 (NE)



Figure 160. XMH-01108, Point 2, 6/27/17 (S)



Figure 161. XMH-01109, Point 1, 6/8/10 (N)

XMH-01110



Figure 163. XMH-01110, Point 1, 6/7/10 (S)



Figure 165. XMH-01111, Point 2, 6/8/10 (NE)



Figure 162. XMH-01109, Point 1, 6/27/17 (W)



Figure 164. XMH-01110, Point 1, 6/29/17 (S)



Figure 166. XMH-01111, Point 2, 6/27/17 (E)



Figure 167. XMH-01114, Point 1, 6/10/10 (SE)

XMH-01115/01117



Figure 169. XMH-01115/01117, Point 1, 6/10/10 (S)



Figure 171. XMH-01116, Point 1, 6/10/10 (NNW)



Figure 168. XMH-01114, Point 1, 6/27/17 (NW)



Figure 170. XMH-01115/01117, Point 2, 6/27/17 (N)



Figure 172. XMH-01116, Point 1, 6/28/17 (NE)



Figure 173. XMH-01118, Point 1, 6/10/10 (S)

XMH-01119



Figure 175. XMH-01119, Point 1, 6/17/10 (W)



Figure 177. XMH-01120, Point 2, 6/7/10 (SE)



Figure 174. XMH-01118, Point 1, 9/13/17 (NW)



Figure 176. XMH-01119, Point 1, 9/13/17 (W)



Figure 178. XMH-01120, Point 2, 6/28/17 (S)



Figure 179. XMH-01121, Point 1, 6/7/10 (S)

XMH-01123



Figure 181. XMH-01123, Point 1, 6/10/10 (SE)



Figure 183. XMH-01124, Point 1, 6/15/10 (W)



Figure 180. XMH-01121, Point 1, 6/28/17 (S)



Figure 182. XMH-01123, Point 1, 7/19/17 (SW)



Figure 184. XMH-01124, Point 1, 7/19/17 (S)



Figure 185. XMH-01125, Point 1, 6/15/10 (S)

XMH-01126



Figure 187. XMH-01126, Point 1, 6/17/10 (SSW)



Figure 189. XMH-01128, Point 1, 6/16/10 (SE)



Figure 186. XMH-01125, Point 1, 7/19/17 (SE)



Figure 188. XMH-01126, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 190. XMH-01128, Point 1, 7/19/17 (SE)



Figure 191. XMH-01129, Point 1, 6/16/10 (S)

XMH-01130



Figure 193. XMH-01130, Point 1, 6/16/10 (NE)

XMH-01131/001132



Figure 195. XMH-01131, Point 2, 6/15/10 (E)



Figure 192. XMH-01129, Point 1, 7/19/17 (S)



Figure 194. XMH-01130, Point 1, 7/19/17 (N)



Figure 196. XMH-01131, Point 2, 7/19/17 (E)



Figure 197. XMH-01133, Point 2, 6/15/10 (NW)

XMH-01134



Figure 199. XMH-001134, Point 1, 6/16/10 (NE)



Figure 201. XMH-01135, Point 1, 6/16/10 (SE)



Figure 198. XMH-01133, Point 2, 7/19/17 (W)



Figure 200. XMH-01134, Point 1, 7/19/17 (N)



Figure 202. XMH-01135, Point 1, 7/19/17 (S)



Figure 203. XMH-01136, Point 1, 6/16/10 (SW)

XMH-01137



Figure 205. XMH-01137, Point 1, 6/15/10 (SW)



Figure 207. XMH-01138, Point 1, 6/15/10 (NE)



Figure 204. XMH-01136, Point 2, 7/19/17 (W)



Figure 206. XMH-01137, Point 1, 7/19/17 (SW)



Figure 208. XMH-01138, Point 1, 7/19/17 (NE)



Figure 209. XMH-01139, Point 2, 6/15/10 (SW)

XMH-01140



Figure 211. XMH-01140, Point 1, 6/9/10 (SW)



Figure 213. XMH-01141, Point 1, 6/9/10 (W)



Figure 210. XMH-01139, Point 1, 9/13/17 (E)



Figure 212. XMH-01140, Point 1, 6/28/17 (W)



Figure 214. XMH-01141, Point 1, 6/28/17 (E)



Figure 215. XMH-01143, Point 1, 8/29/12 (S)

XMH-01145



Figure 217. XMH-01145, Point 1, 6/10/10 (NW)



Figure 219. XMH-01146, Point 1, 6/10/10 (S)



Figure 216. XMH-01143, Point 2, 9/12/17 (SE)



Figure 218. XMH-01145, Point 2, 9/12/17 (NE)



Figure 220. XMH-01146, Point 2, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 221. XMH-01147, Point 1, 6/10/10 (SW)

XMH-01148



Figure 223. XMH-01148, Point 1, 6/17/10 (NE)



Figure 225. XMH-01149, Point 1, 6/17/10 (SE)



Figure 222. XMH-01147, Point 1, 9/12/17 (S)



Figure 224. XMH-01148, Point 2, 7/19/17 (ESE)



Figure 226. XMH-01149, Point 1, 7/19/17 (N)



Figure 227. XMH-01150, Point 2, 6/16/10 (SE)

XMH-01151



Figure 229. XMH-01151, Point 1, 6/16/10 (SW)



Figure 231. XMH-01152, Point 2, 6/15/10 (SE)



Figure 228. XMH-01150, Point 1, 9/13/17 (E)



Figure 230. XMH-01151, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 232. XMH-01152, Point 2, 7/20/17 (E)



Figure 233. XMH-01162, Point 2, 6/10/10 (SW)

XMH-01163



Figure 235. XMH-01163, Point 1, 6/17/10 (SSE)



Figure 237. XMH-01175, Point 1, 6/10/10 (NE)



Figure 234. XMH-01162, Point 1, 9/12/17 (SW)



Figure 236. XMH-01163, Point 1, 7/19/17 (S)



Figure 238. XMH-01175, Point 1, 6/27/17 (NE)



Figure 239. XMH-01176, Point 1, 6/17/10 (SW)

XMH-01360



Figure 241. XMH-01360, Point 2, 8/6/12 (E)



Figure 243. XMH-01361, Point 1, 6/15/10 (NE)



Figure 240. XMH-01176, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 242. XMH-01360, Point 1, 7/20/17 (N)



Figure 244. XMH-01361, Point 1, 7/20/17 (N)



Figure 245. XMH-01362, Point 1, 6/17/10 (N)

XMH-01363



Figure 247. XMH-01363, Point 1, 6/15/10 (SW)



Figure 249. XMH-01364, Point 1, 8/7/12 (N)



Figure 246. XMH-01362, Point 1, 9/13/17 (N)



Figure 248. XMH-01363, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 250. XMH-01364, Point 1, 9/13/17 (N)



Figure 251. XMH-01365, Point 1, 8/7/12 (E)

XMH-01366



Figure 253. XMH-01366, Point 1, 8/7/12 (S)



Figure 255. XMH-01367, Point 1, 6/16/10 (SW)



Figure 252. XMH-01365, Point 1, 9/13/17 (E)



Figure 254. XMH-01366, Point 2, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 256. XMH-01367, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 257. XMH-01368, Point 1, 6/16/10 (SW)

XMH-01377



Figure 259. XMH-01377, Point 2, 8/7/12 (W)



Figure 261. XMH-01378, Point 2, 8/7/12 (E)



Figure 258. XMH-01368, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 260. XMH-01377, Point 2, 9/13/17 (W)



Figure 262. XMH-01378, Point 1, 9/13/17 (E)



Figure 263. XMH-01384, Point 1, 6/16/10 (SE)

XMH-01493



Figure 265. XMH-01493, Point 1, 6/18/13 (N)



Figure 267. XMH-01495, Point 1, 6/12/14



Figure 264. XMH-01384, Point 1, 9/13/17 (E)



Figure 266. XMH-01493, Point 1, 9/13/17 (N)



Figure 268. XMH-01495, Point 1, 7/20/17 (N)



Figure 269. XMH-01496, Point 1, 6/12/14

XMH-01511



Figure 271. XMH-01511, Point 1, 8/31/16



Figure 273. XMH-01512, Point 1, 8/24/14



Figure 270. XMH-01496, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 272. XMH-01511, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)



Figure 274. XMH-01512, Point 1, 6/28/17 (E)



Figure 275. XMH-01535, Point 1, 9/31/16



Figure 276. XMH-01535, Point 1, 9/13/17 (S)