



**U.S. Army Corps
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Little Rock District

Fact Sheet

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Public invited to Restoration Advisory Board meeting

A Restoration Advisory Board that gives input and advice about the investigation of ordnance on property that was once part of Camp Robinson will meet at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 20 at the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Clubhouse. The clubhouse is located at the Camp Robinson Wildlife Demonstration Area northeast of Mayflower on Clinton Road. The meeting is open to the public.

At the meeting, Corps officials and representatives from Parsons Engineering Science, the Corps'

contractor, will discuss the on-going field investigations for the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis Study and the next phase of work. They also will be available to answer resident's questions.

The RAB is made up of community volunteers, state and federal representatives. RAB members serve as a liaison between the Corps of Engineers and the community and review reports prepared by the Corps' contractor to ensure that recommended cleanup actions address as many

community concerns as possible.

The land being studied under the EE/CA was once part of Camp Pike, later known as Camp Joseph T. Robinson. During World War II, the camp was used for the basic training of troops. A variety of weapons training occurred including rifles, pistols, machine guns, live grenades, mortars and various field artillery.

After the war, Camp Robinson was declared surplus and broken up. Most of it was transferred to the
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Major Steps in the Camp Robinson Field Investigations

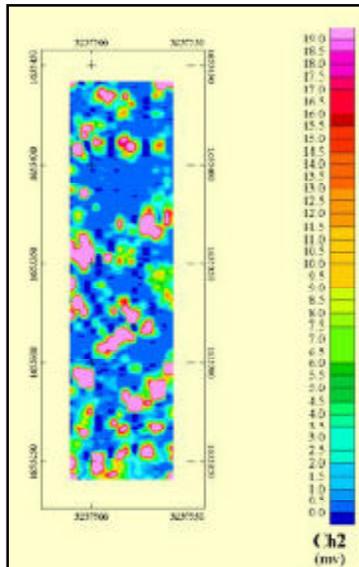
It will take several steps to determine how much ordnance and what type of ordnance is present on the property that was once part of Camp Robinson. Here's a picture timeline to give you a better of idea of what's been done and what's planned.

June-July



Visit the site and make Geophysical investigations to locate magnetic anomalies.

August-September



Analyze geophysical data and select anomalies to dig up.

September-November



Return to the field to dig up anomalies and determine nature and extent of ordnance present.

The next step

Investigating and cleaning up property that was once used by the military happens in several phases. Teams completed geophysical surveys of selected areas in July.

In August and September, technical experts will analyze the geophysical data and create anomaly maps that will be used for further investigations.

From mid-September through November, a team of ordnance experts will head back to the field and begin to dig up anomalies. This will help determine the type and amount of ordnance and help experts evaluate the risk it might pose.

Work will begin in the western area on Arkansas Game and Fish Commission property and progress to the residential properties in the eastern area.

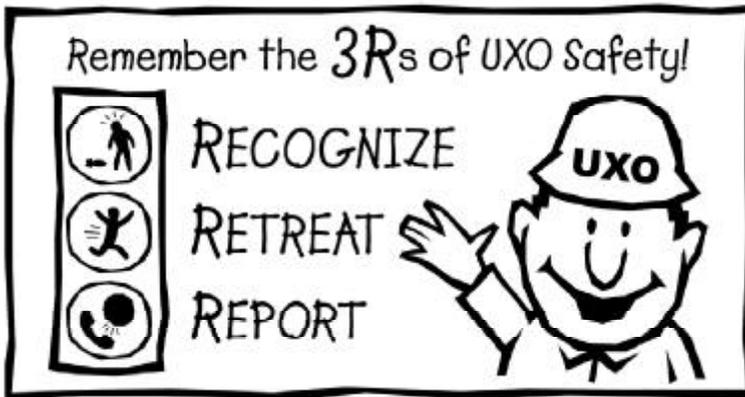
The crews will work during normal daylight hours, four days a week. When ordnance is being unearthed, no one except certified ordnance and explosives experts can be within the minimum separation distance, which ranges from 200 to 2,577 feet, depending on the area.

People who work away from their homes should not be affected by the sampling. But, some residents who are home during the day will be temporarily relocated if crews are working close to their home. The

Corps will arrange for a temporary place for them to stay, such as a local motel, that is within government cost limitations.

It is necessary to dig a hole to remove ordnance. Small quantities of ordnance will be dug up by hand. The holes will be repaired using suitable replacement soil from a borrow area.

After the sampling is complete, an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis report will be prepared and coordinated with the public in late March 2002. The report will be available for public viewing and comments before it is finalized in mid-summer 2002.



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Arkansas National Guard. Some went to the city of North Little Rock and Central Baptist College. A small portion was retained by the federal government for use as an Army Reserve Center, now designated as Camp Pike. The remainder was sold to private owners.

The portions that are no longer owned by the military or the National Guard are eligible for environmental investigation and cleanup assistance under the Formerly Used Defense Sites program. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is the agency responsible for conducting environmental restoration work under the FUDS program.