

Meeting Minutes

August 31, 2023

Project: Camp Butner Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

Date: August 24, 2023, 6:00 PM – 7:50 PM

Place: Butner Town Hall
415 Central Avenue
Butner, North Carolina 27509

Attendees:

The table below presents a list of the attendees to the August 24, 2023 RAB meeting and **Attachment 1** provides the attendance sign-in sheet.

Name	Organization
Carl Dokter	US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Savannah District
Steve Fox	USACE Savannah District
Ray Livermore	USACE Wilmington District
Jeff Groblewski	USACE Wilmington District
Qu Qi	North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
George Adams	North Carolina DEQ
Jordan McMillen	Town of Butner
Mary Susan Williams	Landowner
Linda & John Mangum	Landowners
Gerry Koinis	Community member

Prepared By: Ray Livermore

Introduction

Mr. Livermore called the meeting to order and requested an introduction of all meeting attendees. Mr. Livermore provided a brief status of the former Camp Butner FUDS since the last RAB meeting and reviewed the topics to be discussed this evening.

Project Update

Mr. Livermore provided a brief historical summary of the Camp Butner FUDS, past investigative activities, and the requirement for the FUDS Program to follow the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) which governs the EPA Superfund Program. Mr. Livermore presented a summary of the Camp Butner FUDS status (see **Attachment 2 – RAB Meeting slide presentation**) with a focus on the munitions response sites (MRS)/projects created upon completion of the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS), approved decision documents (DD) for the Camp Butner FUDS projects and tentative schedule for contract awards to implement the remedial action (RA) for various projects.

Significant discussion occurred with feedback from landowners and community members regarding the lack of notification from USACE regarding the inclusion of parcels within the MRS and the recommended RA for those MRS. Ms. Williams specifically referenced the abrupt cancellation of a solar farm project on her property due to notification by DEQ of potential munitions on the project after significant time and financial resources were spent on the project. Ms. Williams expressed frustration with the response from her congressional representative and the length of time tentatively scheduled for RA completion on her property due to the funding constraints identified by USACE personnel. The placement or absence of deed restrictions on property by the Department of Defense (DOD) was discussed. Mr. Mangum indicated he was proud his property was part of Camp Butner at one time but was not aware of the potential presence for munitions and explosives (MEC) on his property and his deed didn't mention MEC. Mr. Mangum suggested future projects should include periodic notices/updates to landowners during the delay between when the DD are signed and the RA is implemented. Mr. Dokter addressed several questions from landowners and community members regarding FUDS programmatic limitations concerning funding and indicated a remedial design (RD) will most likely be required for the Camp Butner FUDS projects prior to RA execution due to additional data requirements regarding anomaly density. Mr. Dokter and Livermore also discussed technical aspects limitation of advanced geophysical classification (AGC) platforms, quality assurance measures USACE implements for AGC implementation to provide confidence for all stakeholders to satisfy unrestricted use/unlimited exposure (UU/UE) conditions for land once AGC is executed.

Next RAB Meeting

USACE members inquired if the community members and landowners present at the RAB desired to continue with the RAB and whether there was desire to serve on the RAB. Community members and landowners responded affirmatively with the desire to continue holding RAB meetings and indicated they would like to serve on the RAB. The group discussed the frequency of the RAB meetings and agreed the meetings should be held when sufficient information is available to present to the RAB. The group also agreed the Butner Town Hall is the preferred location for future RAB meetings. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 PM.

ACTION ITEMS

None

Attachment 1, Attendance Sign-In Sheet

Attachment 2 – RAB Meeting Slide Presentation



Camp Butner RAB Meeting Agenda

August 24, 2023



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Restoration Advisory Board Meeting
August 24, 2023
6:00 PM**

Butner Town Hall (415 Central Avenue, Butner, NC 27509)

Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome/Introduction
2. Camp Butner FUDS Update
3. RAB
4. Public Questions
5. Closing/Action Items Review

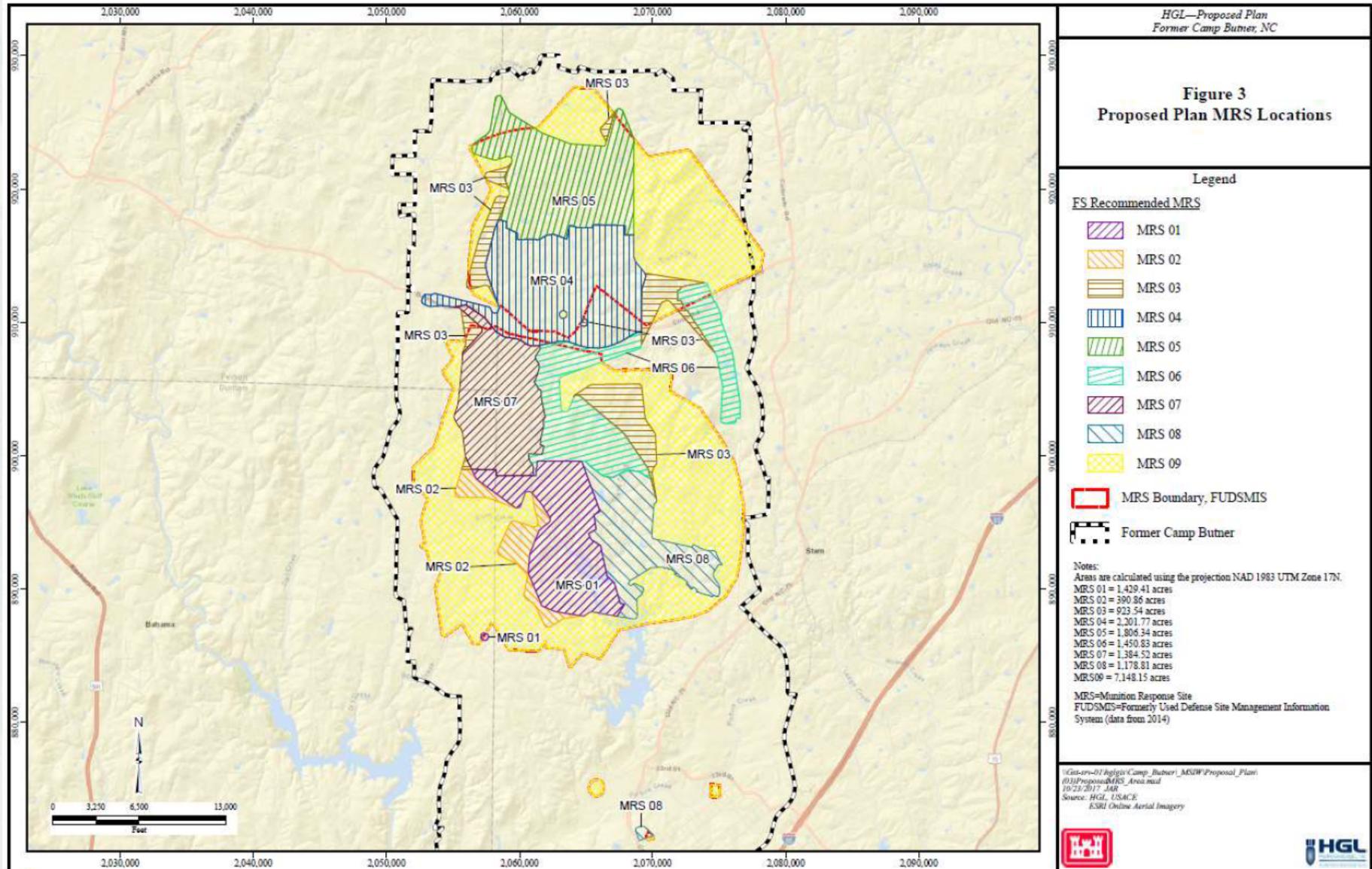
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Camp Butner MMRP Projects



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Project Number	Project Name	USACE Priority *	MRSP	RA Estimated Costs	Acreage	Remedy/Status
04 (MRS 02)	Military Training Buffer Area	#	4	\$87K	391	LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY24
05 (MRS 03)	Buffer Area	#	4	\$24K	924	LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY24
06 (MRS 04)	Central MEC Contaminated	3	3	\$70.2M	2,202	AGC & LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY37.
07 (MRS 05)	Northern MEC Contaminated	5	4	\$58.4M	1,807	AGC & LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY42.
08 (MRS 06)	Eastern MEC Contaminated	4	4	\$47.6M	1,451	AGC & & LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY47.
09 (MRS 07)	Western MEC Contaminated	2	2	\$45.7M	1,385	AGC & & LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY31.
10 (MRS 08)	South MEC Contaminated	1	2	\$39.8M	1,179	AGC & & LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY25.
11 (MRS 01)	Military Training MEC Contaminated	#	2	\$148K	1,429	LUCs. Tentative schedule for RA implementation is FY24

* USACE priority is a compilation of DEQ priorities, USACE recommended sequence, and MRSP scores

USACE plans to award a contract in FY24 to implement the RA

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Camp Butner FUDS Update/Schedule



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- Decision Documents for all MMRP projects have been approved:
 - ▶ Project 04 - September 2020
 - ▶ Project 05 – February 2022
 - ▶ Projects 06, 07, 08, 09, and 10 – December 2022
 - ▶ Project 11 – September 2022
- Pre-award contract site visit conducted in June 2023 for RA implementation at Projects 04, 05, and 11. Several contractors participated on site visit. Tentative schedule is for contract award in fourth quarter FY23.
- Potential contract award (dependent on funding availability) for RA implementation at Project 10 in FY24.



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Camp Butner FUDS Remedial Action



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KNOWING ORDNANCE

RECOGNIZING THE UNFAMILIAR:



Ordnance at the former Camp Butner may be on the surface or buried in a few inches of soil. The above photos are examples of ordnance discovered by workers at the site.

WHO TO CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION

Remember, if you should find ordnance, DO NOT TOUCH OR REMOVE IT! Remember the Three R's

1. RECOGNIZE
2. RETREAT
3. REPORT

If you should discover ordnance, call and report its location to: 911, local police department, or
•Granville County 919-693-3213,
•Durham County 919-560-0892,
•Person County 336-597-8500.

If you would like further information on this project, please contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers office listed below.

USACE, Wilmington District
Public Affairs Officer,
ATTN: Penny Schmitt
P.O. Box 1090
Wilmington, NC 28402-1890
(910) 233-4626
penny.schmitt@sa02.usace.army.mil

For more information, visit our website
<http://www.usace.army.mil/campbutner/index.htm>

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Camp BUTNER
Durham,
Granville,
&
Person
Counties,
North Carolina

**EXPLOSIVES
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WARNING



**Possible Unexploded
Military Ammunition**

If you see a suspect item,

DO NOT TOUCH IT!

Call 911



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Camp Butner FUDS Restoration Advisory Board



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- Does RAB/community desire to continue the RAB?
- Do current RAB members desire to continue serving on the RAB?
- Future RAB meeting frequency? (Semi-annual, annual)
- RAB meeting location

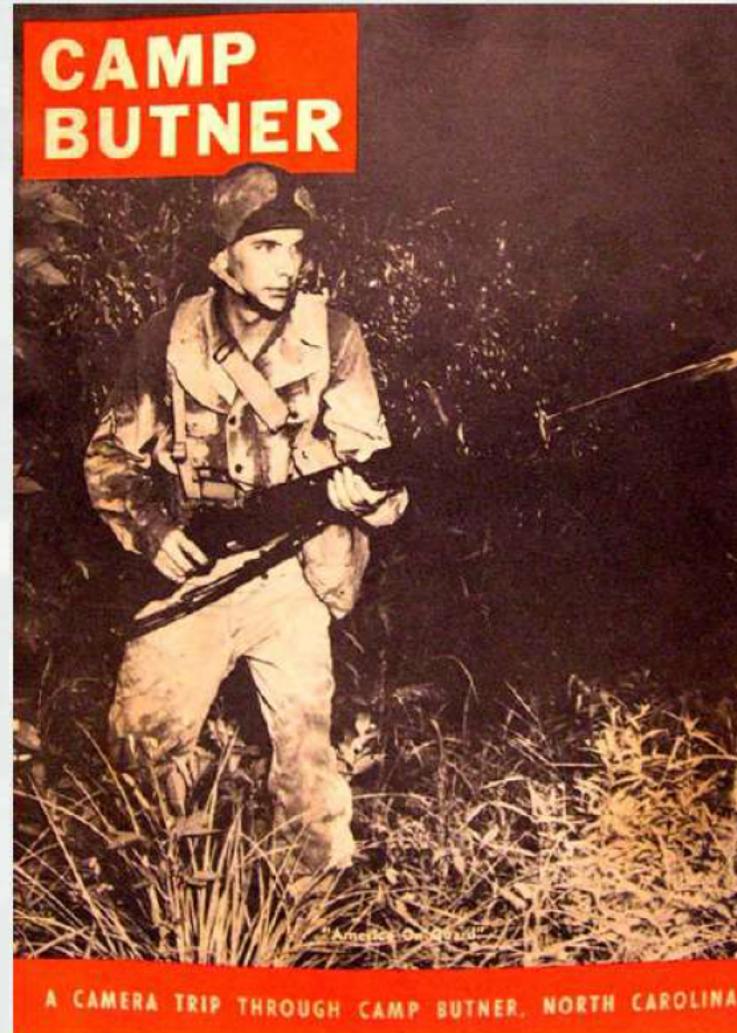


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Questions?



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