



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

**On the Draft Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP)
Seven Sites Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan
and
Notice of Exemption
Sierra Army Depot**



Public Comment Period: September 21 to October 20, 2010

The United States Army (Army) is providing this public notice to announce the public comment period on the Draft MMRP Seven Sites Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan and Notice of Exemption (NOE) for seven munitions response sites within the Main Depot and Upper Burning Ground areas at the Sierra Army Depot (SIAD) in Herlong, California. SIAD is located in the western portion of the Honey Lake Valley in Lassen County, California, approximately 4 miles west of the California-Nevada state border.

The Draft Work Plan and NOE provide information about the Army's planned remedial investigation actions at the Seven Sites. The general tasks to be completed include surveys to locate Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC), a groundwater quality evaluation, and soil and soil-gas sampling. During this investigation, the Army may encounter MEC items. Items that are determined to be safe to move will be consolidated to a collection area and treated by detonation on site. Items that are determined unsafe to move and constitute an immediate safety hazard will be blown-in-place. Prior to any treatment of MEC, the Army will notify the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), Lassen County Air Pollution Control District, the Lassen County Department of Environmental Health and community members requesting notification. As such, the Army seeks public input prior to making final decisions regarding the preferred treatment options for the MMRP Seven Sites investigation-derived waste (IDW), particularly the MEC.

Written comments on the Draft Work Plan and NOE will be accepted during the 30-day public comment period, which begins on **September 21 and ends on October 20, 2010**. In addition, a public meeting has been scheduled for this project. The public meeting will take place at **6:30 p.m. on September 30, 2010 at the Community Theater (Building 2071) across the Herlong Library on California Street in Herlong, California**. Following the Army's presentation about their proposed actions, both oral and written comments will be accepted at the public meeting.

The documents are available for review at the following information repositories:

Herlong Library
Bldg. 2067, California Street
Herlong, California 96113
(530) 827-2073

Lassen County Public Library
1618 Main Street
Susanville, California 96130
(530) 251-8127

Washoe County Main Library
301 South Center Street
Reno, Nevada 89505
(775) 327-8300

DTSC, File Room
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, California 95826
(916) 255-3758

The full Administrative Record for this project is available for review at the DTSC File Room at the address above. Comments and questions concerning the project may be submitted in writing to: Ms. Francesca D'Onofrio, DTSC Project Manager, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, California, 95826, by phone at (916) 255-3603, or by email at FDonofri@dtsc.ca.gov. All comments should be postmarked or received by 5 PM on October 20, 2010. For public participation activities, please contact Mr. Marcus Simpson, DTSC Public Participation Specialist at (916) 255-6683 (toll free at 1-866-495-5651), or by email at MSimpson@dtsc.ca.gov. Please direct all media inquiries to Charlotte Fadipe, Public Information Officer, at (916) 956-2838 or by email at CFadipe@dtsc.ca.gov.