

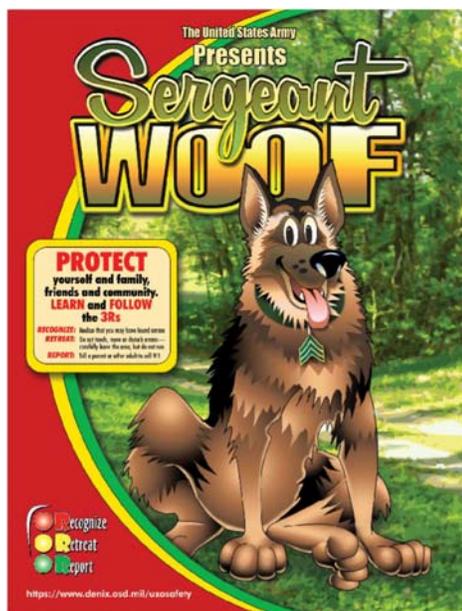
CLOSED CASTNER RANGE UPDATE

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Fort Bliss is providing this update on the work being conducted under the Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) at the Closed Castner Range, to keep stakeholders and the general public informed of the progress of the Remedial Investigation (RI). The newsletter will be produced periodically and sent via U.S. Mail to stakeholders and interested members of the public. If you prefer email or if do not wish to be mailed, please send your responses to the Closed Castner Range email address: usarmy.bliss.closed.castner.range@mail.mil.¹

On May 13, 2015 the Public Meeting for the Closed Castner Range took place. The meeting was held at Chapin High School. In attendance were members of the general public, U.S. Army Environmental Command, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, also in attendance were Mr. Carl L. Robinson, District 4 representative and Ms. Megan Obregon from Congressman Beto O'Rourke's office. The topics focused on the field work that is planned for the Remedial Investigation (RI), including a review of the MMRP process, RI objectives, safety considerations, and project schedule. Another public meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 2015. The minutes of the public meeting and other Castner Range information can be found at <https://www.bliss.army.mil/DPW/Environmental/EISDocuments2.html> (#36).



The commencement of the field work discussed in the public meeting is pending the Explosive Site Plan (ESP). The ESP is now expected to be finalized by the end August 2015. Field mobilization is expected to take place in October after the ESP is approved.



The Department of Defense (DoD) recognizes its responsibility to protect the public from the potential hazards associated with current and past military operations. The MMRP was established to address munitions-related issues and the potential hazards munitions pose on property that the DoD once used. You can use this link <https://www.denix.osd.mil/uxo/> to obtain information and resources about this program. This website also includes information on the Army's UXO Safety program that is designed to educate military personnel and civilians alike about the potential hazards associated with Unexploded Ordnance (UXO). It is intended to provide educational, training, and outreach resources to provide a consistent message (Recognize, Retreat, Report!).

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