

PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED

on Closures of Open Burn Sites at Camp Navajo

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: The National Guard Bureau (NGB) invites the public to comment on two draft decision documents that provide a determination of no action and response complete under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), The National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) and the Installation Restoration Program (IRP) for the Navajo Army Depot (NAAD) 08A and NAAD 09A sites on the Camp Navajo Installation. These documents provide information about the completed investigations and risk assessment results that form the basis for the decision. The draft decision documents were prepared by the NGB in coordination with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ).

Both sites are located within the central portion of the Open Burn/Open Detonation Area at Camp Navajo, in Bellemont, Arizona. The NAAD 08A site is also referred to as the Former Open Burn Area (Ponds), areas requiring environmental evaluation (AREE)-8, and Navajo Depot Activity (NADA)-6. This site was initially used for infiltration and evaporation of TNT wastewater and periodic burning of explosives and filter materials from 1953 through 1967. The NAAD 09A site (also known historically as Closed Open Burn Area, AREE-9, and NADA-18), was used for the burning of ammunition boxes from the 1940s through 1987.

Completed investigations conducted at these sites have shown that concentrations of site-related chemical constituents in soil are protective of human health and the environment for current and future potential use. The NGB has determined that no action is needed for site-related chemical constituents under CERCLA and the NCP, and the site is considered response complete under the IRP. The ADEQ has been involved with the investigation process and is currently reviewing the draft decision documents for final regulatory concurrence.

A 30-day public comment period begins **October 30, 2006 and ends November 28, 2006**. The draft decision documents are available for public review at the Northern Arizona University Cline Library Special Collections, Knoles Drive, Building 28, or available for electronic viewing on the following public website:

<http://www.CampNavajoEnvironmental.org>

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