

PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET
for
DERP-FUDS MMRP PROJECT NO. G03WV001308
FEDERAL FACILITY ID NO. WV9799F3460
FORE KNOBS-BEAR ROCKS FIRING RANGES

WV Maneuver Area/Dolly Sods
Tucker, Grant, Preston, Pendleton, and Randolph Counties, West Virginia
23 December 2009

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Department of the Army (DA) utilized the former WV Maneuver Area/Dolly Sods (WVMA/DS) from 1943-1944 for low altitude mountain training, regimental troop maneuvers, and target practice during World War II. The former Fore Knobs-Bear Rocks Firing Ranges were part of an impact area which consisted of 48,428.59 acres between the communities of Davis and Petersburg, West Virginia.

During the operational period of the WVMA/DS, the Headquarters in Elkins, West Virginia, published articles to warn the public as to where Army firing would be conducted in the coming week(s). The following areas within the Fore Knobs-Bear Rocks Firing Ranges were noted in the articles: Fore Knobs, Rohrbaugh School, Stoney River, Bear/Stack Rocks (specifically noted as 105-mm impact location), Jordan Run, State Route 28, and the Allegheny Front. This MMRP project is proposed to address the possible munitions-related contamination that may have occurred as a result of the Fore Knobs-Bear Rocks Firing Ranges being located on the property.

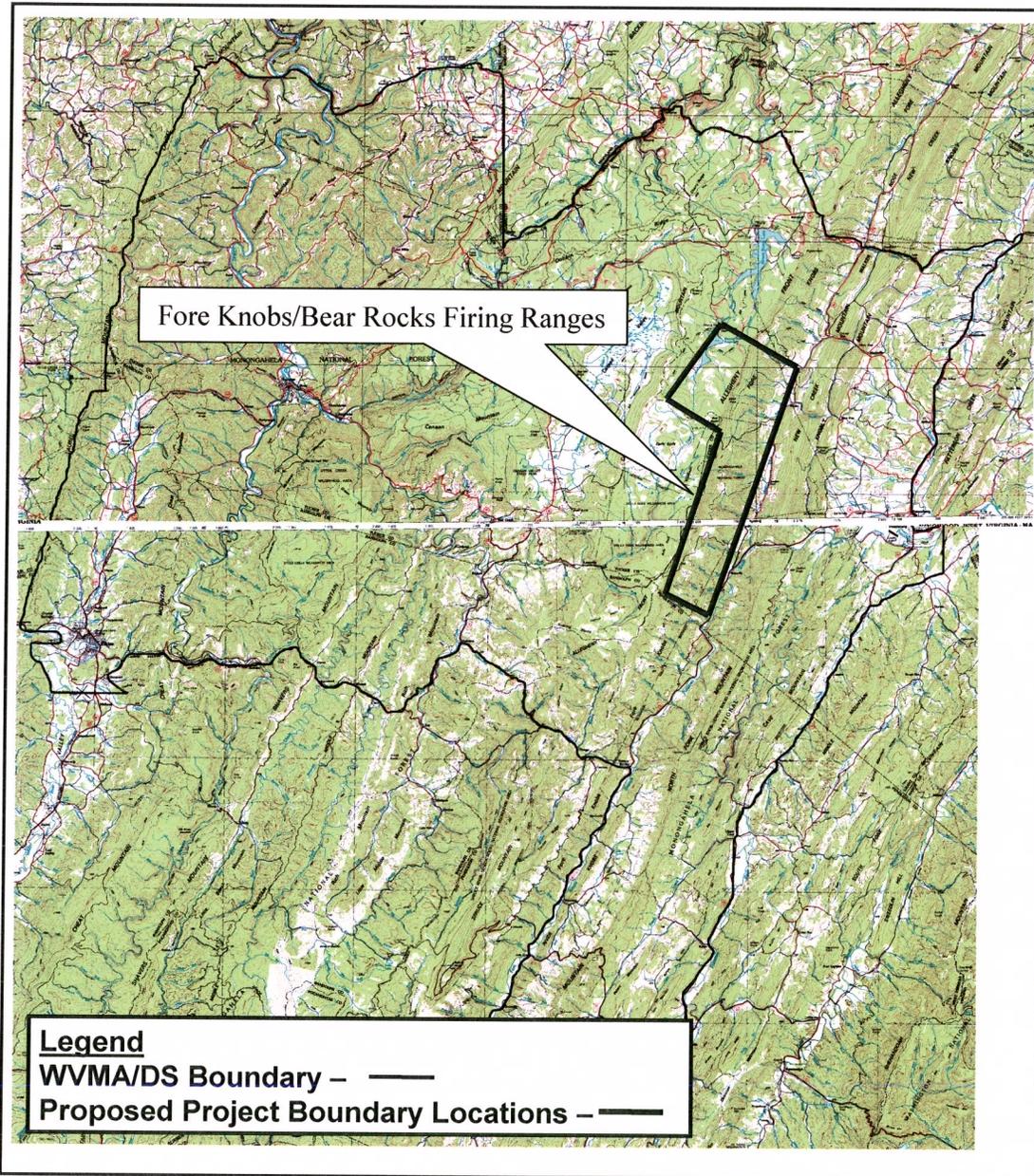
PROJECT ELIGIBILITY: The Army utilized the Fore Knobs-Bear Rocks Firing Ranges as 105-mm and 155-mm howitzer practice firing ranges during World War II. Real Estate documentation indicates that 48,428.59 acres of property owned by various individuals were leased by the Department of Defense for use as an impact area. Historical maps show firing locations along the Fore Knobs area of the Allegheny Front and impact areas at Bear and Stack Rocks. In 1999, a 105-mm howitzer round was discovered by a contractor of The Nature Conservancy, property owner of the Bear Rocks Area. There is a potential for munitions-related contamination based on the nature of the past Army operations at the site. The presence of Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC), Munitions Debris (MD) or Munitions Constituents (MC) could be the result of the Army's former use of the site.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS: There is no policy that prohibits this project.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES: This MMRP project will include all necessary CERCLA response actions required to obtain project close-out.

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Source: *USACE*



FIGURE 8
FORE KNOBS-BEAR ROCKS FIRING RANGES LOCATION MAP
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WV MANEUVER AREA/DOLLY SODS
DAVIS, WEST VIRGINIA
39° 07' 08" NORTH, 79° 27' 09" WEST

Table 29
MRS Priority

DIRECTIONS: In the chart below, circle the letter rating for each module recorded in Table 10 (EHE), Table 20 (CHE), and Table 28 (HHE). Circle the corresponding numerical priority for each module. If information to determine the module rating is not available, choose the appropriate alternative module rating. The MRS priority is the single highest priority; record this number in the MRS or Alternative Priority box at the bottom of the table.

Note: An MRS assigned Priority 1 has the highest relative priority; an MRS assigned Priority 8 has the lowest relative priority. Only an MRS with CWM known or suspected to be present can be assigned Priority 1; an MRS that has CWM known or suspected to be present cannot be assigned Priority 8.

EHE Rating		Priority	CHE Rating		Priority	HHE Rating		Priority
			A		1			
A		2	B		2	A		2
B		3	C		3	B		3
C		4	D		4	C		4
D		5	E		5	D		5
E		6	F		6	E		6
F		7	G		7	F		7
G		8				G		8
Evaluation Pending			Evaluation Pending			Evaluation Pending		
No Longer Required			No Longer Required			No Longer Required		
No Known or Suspected Explosive Hazard			No Known or Suspected CWM Hazard			No Known or Suspected MC Hazard		
MRS or ALTERNATIVE PRIORITY						3		

MRSPP RESULTS
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