

Military Munitions Response Program

RAB Member Orientation



Camp Williams
Restoration Advisory
Board

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Overview

- CERCLA Process
- Evolution of RAB
- Roles
- Specific duties
- Alternates
- Getting involved
- Discussion



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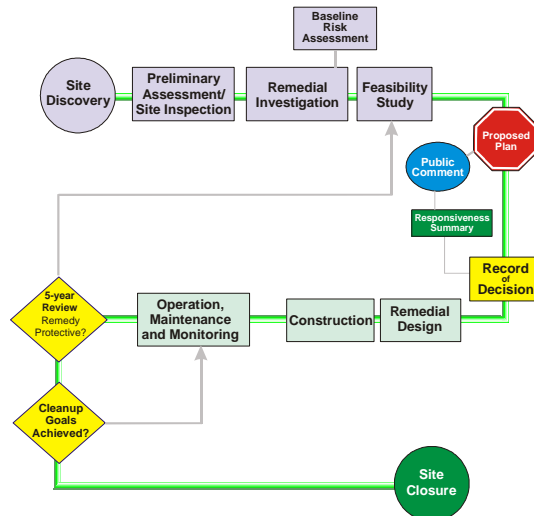
What is CERCLA?

- **C**omprehensive **E**nvironmental **R**esponse, **C**ompensation and **L**iability **A**ct
- Also called “Superfund.”
- Passed in 1980. Amended in 1986.
- Purpose: To find and clean up old waste disposal sites
- Outlines the process investigations and cleanups will follow.



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CERCLA Process



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Where the money comes from

- Money comes from Defense budget.
- Allocated down from Pentagon through the National Guard Bureau (NGB)
- NGB allocates money based on...
 - Requirements
 - Priority within the NGB based on prioritization protocol



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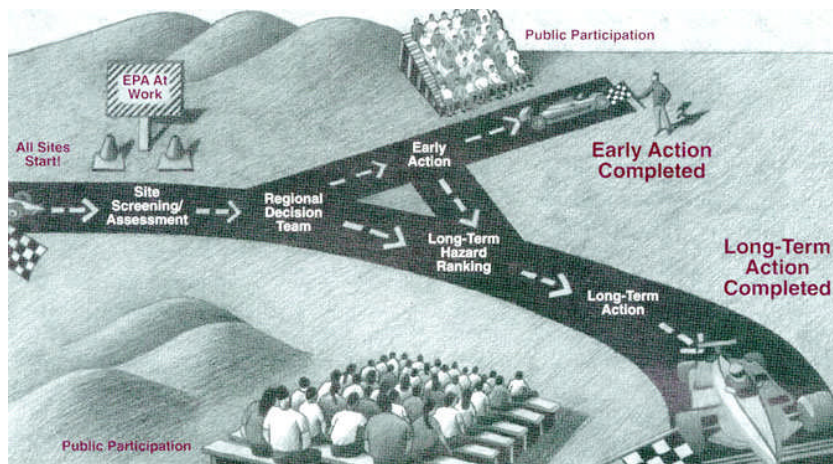
Public Involvement

- CERCLA requires public to be informed.
- CERCLA allows for public to be involved in decisions.
 - Public comment periods
 - Administrative Record/Information Repository
 - Technical Review Committee

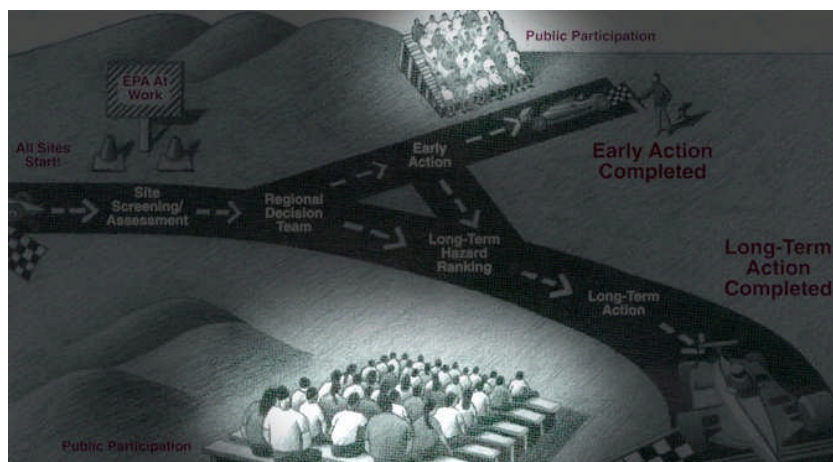


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Requirements not enough

- Keystone Group formed in early 1990s.
- Wanted more meaningful involvement from federal agencies
- Suggested formation of citizen advisory boards
- In 1994, DOD adopted the concept of RABs.



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Purpose of RAB

- Provide advice to the UTNG in regards to the investigation and cleanup of sites at Camp Williams.
- Provide input on UTNG investigations and cleanup actions.
- Relay community concerns to the UTNG.
- Act as an advocate for the community.



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Role of RAB members

- Act as bridge between UTNG and public.
 - Bring public's concerns to the UTNG's attention.
 - Help explain information to public
- Ensure community has appropriate input into the process.
- Represent your constituents.



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RAB Member Job Description

- Attend quarterly RAB meetings.
- Attend training sessions and tours.
- Attend InfoFairs in your community.
- Read the materials provided to you.
- Use the RAB website.
- Report back to constituents and/or sponsoring organizations.



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Other ways to be involved

- Participate on RAB Work Groups.
- Regularly speak to your city council about your perspective of the cleanup.
- Speak up. Tell us what you think. Your perspective is important to us.
- Inform your neighbors of the MMRP and how they can assist.



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What the RAB can't do

- Cannot make cleanup decisions.
- Cannot set policy or enter into binding agreements.
- Has no budget of its own.
 - UTNG pays to administer RAB
- Cannot compensate members for time or travel.



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How the UTNG views the RAB

- You do not work for the UTNG.
- The RAB is the UTNG's partner.
- An informed RAB gives better advice.
- Your opinion is valued—even if it differs from the UTNG's.
- You have a perspective the UTNG does not have.
- The UTNG needs you to speak up.



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Where to go for help

- www.campwilliamsrab.org
- Information Repository
 - Located at Riverton Library
 - Contains all documents related to cleanup
 - Documents also on web site
- Talk to our team
- Newsletters and fact sheets



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Choosing an alternate

- All RAB members should have an alternate.
- Alternates are welcome to participate in all RAB activities.
- Alternates receive all the materials you do.
- Find someone you think will represent your constituents as well as you.
- Keep in touch with your alternate.



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Who's who on the RAB

Community Co-chair	TBD
Installation Co-chair	Robert Price
UDEQ Representatives	Rik Ombach, John Waldrip
RAB Coordinator	Melissa Porter
Facilitator	Michele Straube



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RAB Web site

- www.campwilliamsrab.org
- Our tool for managing RAB activities
- Information source for RAB members and the public
- Certain parts of the website are for RAB members only (requires login)
- A campwilliamsrab.org email address provided



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