



PUBLIC NOTICE

A SECOND FIVE YEAR RECURRING REVIEW IS BEING CONDUCTED AT THE FORMER FOREST PARK RECREATION CAMP SITE, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District (USACE) is conducting the second five year Recurring Review for the former Forest Park Recreation Camp Military Munitions Response Program Site. The former Forest Park Recreation Camp, also referred to as the Forest Park Area of Concern (AOC) was established in 1942 as a recreation camp for soldiers. However, as early as 1917, military demonstrations were held at Forest Park, which included an Army tank demonstration, a military parade and Army troops from Jefferson Barracks performing daily mock World War I (WWI) battles. These activities resulted in the burial of unexploded ordnance (UXO) consisting of WWI-era mortar shells and projectiles in a portion of Forest Park. The Forest Park AOC includes the lower nine holes of the Norman K. Probst Municipal Golf Course, the Grand Basin and the Art Hill area. The selected response action for the Site, which was implemented in 2004, includes the distribution of education awareness materials, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the City of St. Louis and the USACE and the passage of city ordinance 68329. The ordinance binds the City of St. Louis to the provisions of the MOA. The response action is intended to promote military munitions awareness and assist in the identification of munitions for construction personnel working in the Forest Park AOC.

What is the purpose of a five-year review?

The purpose of a Recurring Review is to determine if the response action is protecting human health and the environment. The Recurring Review Report documents the methods, findings, conclusions and any recommendations based on a records review, site inspection, and interviews with stakeholders.

Why is a five-year review being done for this Site?

Conducting this Recurring Review is required because military munitions may remain buried on site thereby preventing unlimited use and unrestricted exposure. USACE will continue to conduct reviews and issue a report every five years or as needed.

The Administrative Record, which contains all the relevant cleanup documents for this site, is available at the following location:

St. Louis Central Public Library

1301 Olive Street

St. Louis, Missouri 63103

314-241-2288

(Copies of documents may be transferred to other St. Louis Public Library branches throughout the city upon request.)

Relevant cleanup documents pertaining to this site may also be viewed at:

<http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/EnvironmentalProjects/FormerForestParkRecreationCamp.aspx>

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