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Corps releases report on Former Camp Claiborne Ordnance and Explosives investigation for public review

FORT WORTH, Texas – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, has released its Draft Final Engineering Evaluation / Cost Analysis (EE/CA) report on the recent investigation of possible unexploded ordnance at the former Camp Claiborne, located 17 miles southwest of Alexandria, Louisiana, in Rapides Parish.

The public may review the report by visiting the Rapides Parish Public Library (411 Washington Street, Alexandria) or the Kisatchie National Forest Calcasieu Ranger Station (2500 Shreveport Hwy, Pineville). The report is also available on the internet at www.formercampclaiborne.com. The Fort Worth District is seeking public comment on the report through Oct. 14, 2005. E-mail comments may be submitted to Dwayne.Ford@swf02.usace.army.mil and written comments by mail to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, ATTN: Dwayne Ford, CESWF-PM-J, P.O. Box 17300, Fort Worth, TX 76102-0300.

A public meeting to present the results of the investigation will be held on Sept. 13, 2005 at the Louisiana Convention Center, located at 2211 North MacArthur Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana. A sign-in period will be held from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m., during which time light refreshments will be served, followed by a presentation and question and answer session. Public comments will also be accepted at this meeting. All comments will become part of the permanent record of the project.

The former Camp Claiborne, established in 1940 as a U.S. Army Infantry Training Center, encompasses approximately 30,176 acres. With the end of World War II, the former camp was deactivated and the majority of the land was transferred to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, becoming part of the Kisatchie National Forest.

Further information may be obtained through the Fort Worth District Public Affairs Office at 817.886.1310 or by visiting either the Fort Worth District website at: www.swf.usace.army.mil or the Camp Claiborne project website at: www.formercampclaiborne.com.

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