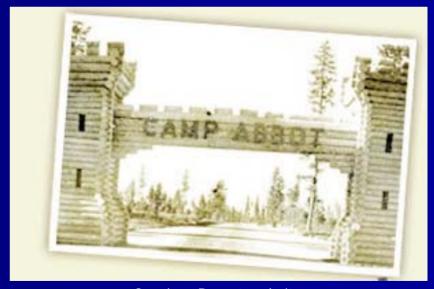
## Camp Abbot

Military Munitions Response Program Site Inspections







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## Background

- For decades, Department of Defense (DoD) has used military munitions in training and testing to achieve force readiness
- When ranges are put to another use, it is necessary to protect human health and the environment from potential hazards

#### What Could Be There?

- Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC)
  - Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)
  - Discarded Military Munitions
  - Explosive Munitions Constituents
- Munitions Constituents (MC)

## Why Now?

- In 2002 (National Defense Authorization Act), Congress required DoD to:
  - Create an inventory of defense sites known or suspected of containing munitions or munitions constituents
  - Prioritize sites needing action
  - Give Congress a response plan

#### DoD's Response

- Military Munitions Response Program
- DoD has identified over 3,300 sites
- Active installations (1,333)
- Base Realignment & Closure (318)
- Formerly Used Defense Sites—FUDS (1,658)
- Site Inspections to be completed by 2010

#### **FUDS Site Inspections**

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- Shaw Environmental, Inc.
- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Stakeholders--Land owners, residents, public

### Site Inspection (SI) Goal

Are munitions or munitions constituents present?



#### Possible Outcomes of SI

- Eliminate a site from further action
- Determine need to investigate further
  - Remedial Investigation (RI)
  - Feasibility Study (FS)
- Determine need for a time-critical removal action

#### **Yardsticks**

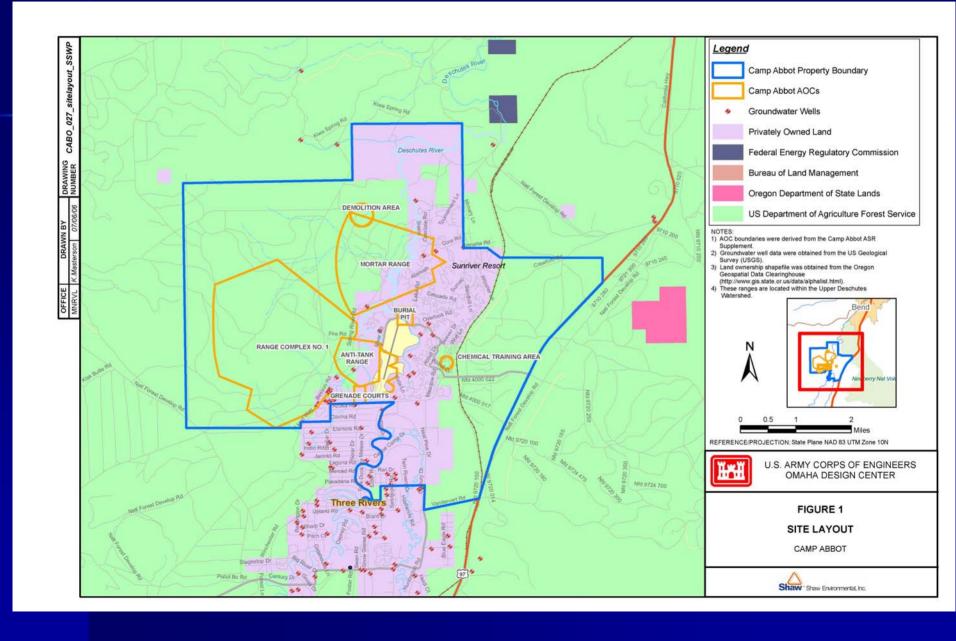
- SI provides information needed for
  - EPA's Hazard Ranking System for National Priorities List (Superfund) sites
  - DoD's new Munitions Response Site Prioritization Protocol

#### SI Process

- Review data
- Technical Project Planning (TPP)
- Work Plan
- Field work
- SI Report

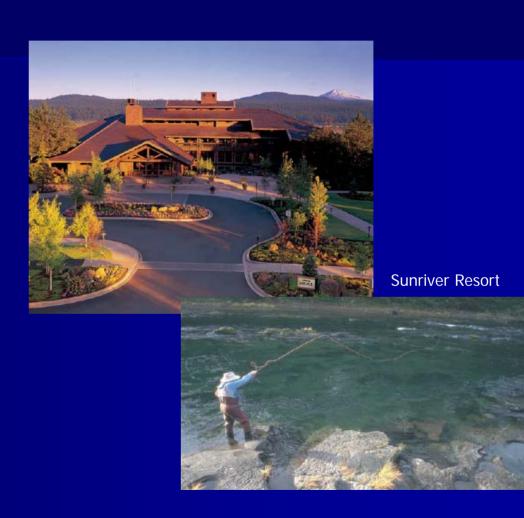
#### **Supply Problems**

- Shortages of ammunition and weapons still affected ERTC programs
- Each center given a .50 caliber machine gun, but a low ammo allowance limited its use
- Flame throwers for demolition specialists and general assault demolitions were scarce
- Anti-tank rocket allowance was 1 per 50 men



#### **Current & Future Use**

- Recreation
  - Rafting, fishing
  - Hiking, biking
  - Golf, skiing...
- Residential
- Commercial
- National Forest

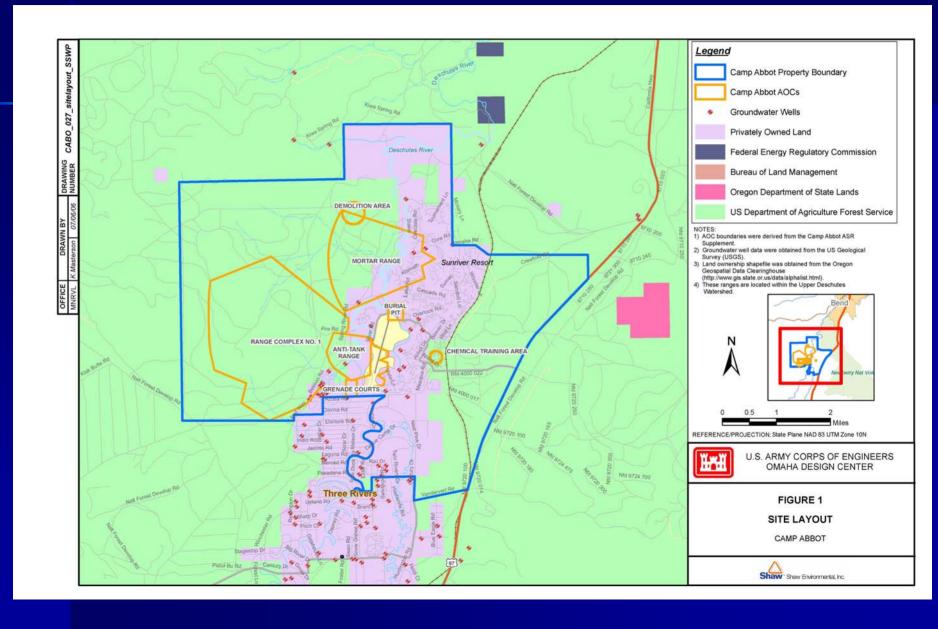


## **Project History**

- 1993-94 Inventory Project Report
- 1995 Archive Search Report (ASR)
- 2005 Preliminary Assessment/Site Inspection (Weston for USEPA)
  - 28 samples
  - Explosives--not detected
  - Metals—some "significant" or "elevated"
- 2004 ASR Supplement

# 7 Areas of Concern (AOCs)

- Range Complex No. 1 (small arms ranges)
- Explosive Munitions Ranges
  - Anti-Tank Range
  - Demolition Area
  - Mortar Range
- Grenade Courts
- Burial Pit
- Chemical Training Area



#### **Encounters with Munitions**

- Grenade spoons, 2004 & 1995
- 2.36" rocket
  - **1988**
  - USFS employee kicked out of ground
  - Forest Rd 40 1-1/2 mi west of Sunriver
- Artillery round
  - West of Sunriver
  - Reported to Sheriff
- 60 & 81mm mortar rounds
  - Cliff near Cardinal Landing Bridge
- Rockets, bullets, grenades
  - Reportedly found by youths

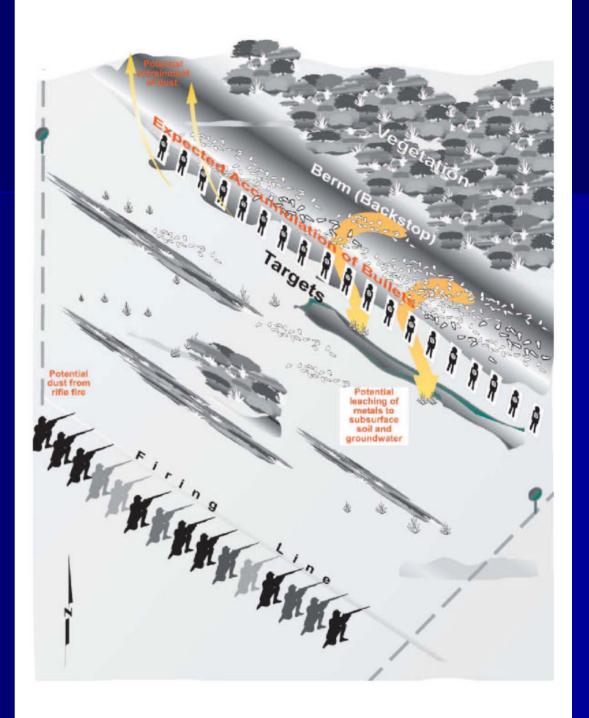


# Potentially Affected Media

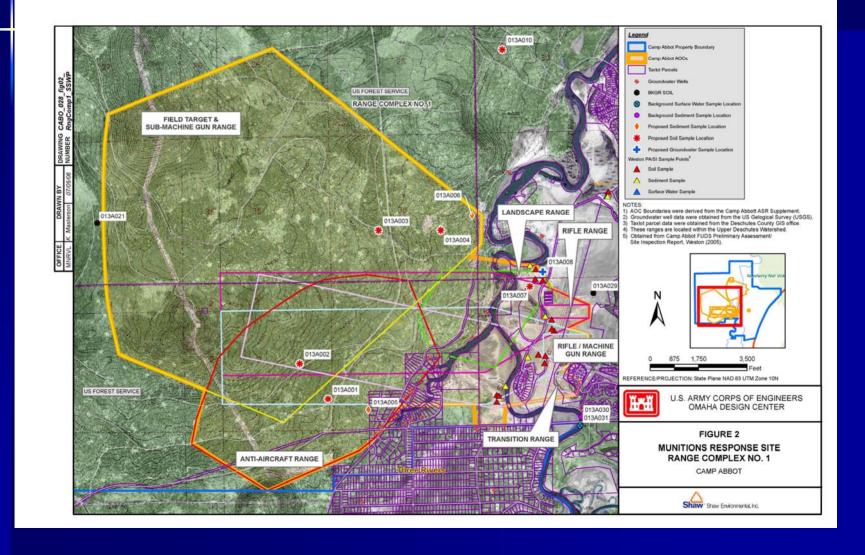
- Soil
- Surface water & sediment
- Groundwater

# Conceptual Site ModelSmall Arms Ranges

- Non-explosive projectiles (lead)
- Black powder propellant



# Range Complex No. 1

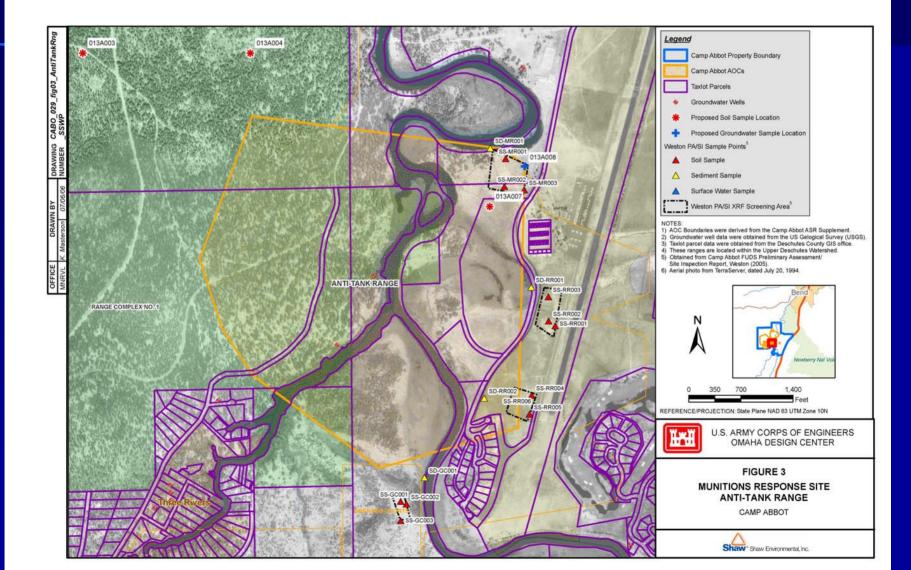


# Conceptual Site ModelExplosive Munitions Ranges

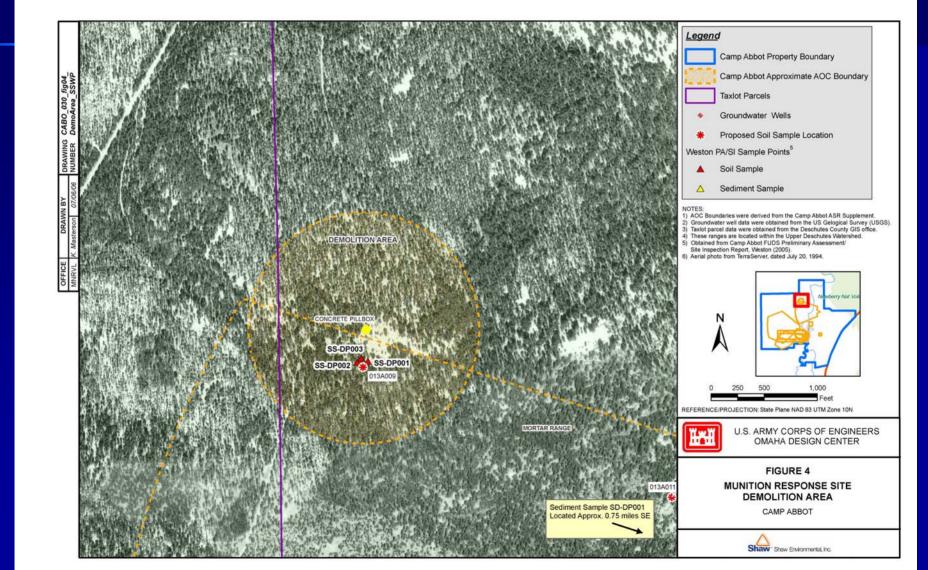
- Explosive projectiles and propellant
- Metals



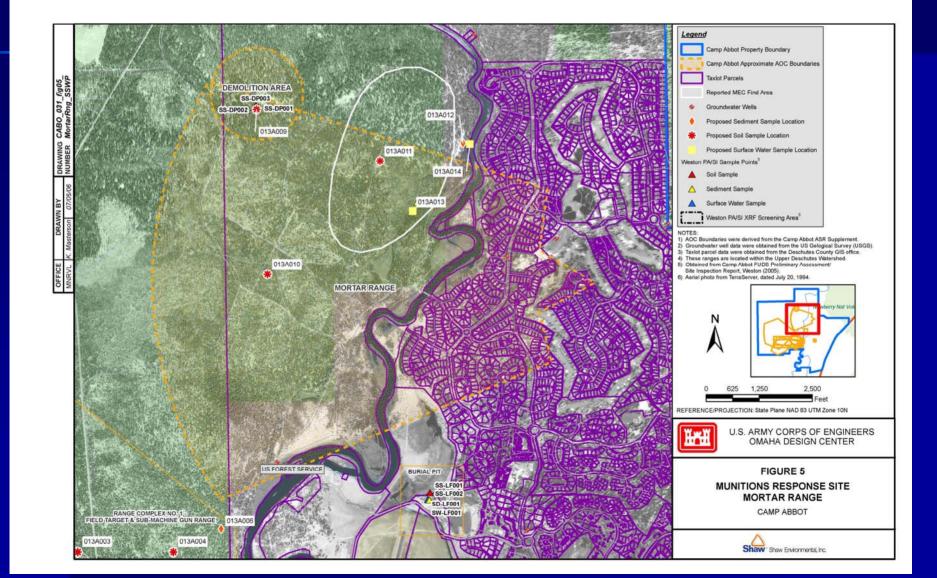
#### **Anti-Tank Range**



#### **Demolition Area**



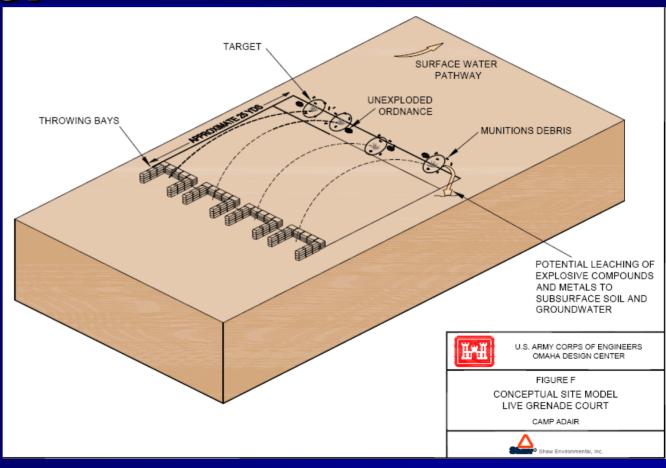
## **Mortar Range**



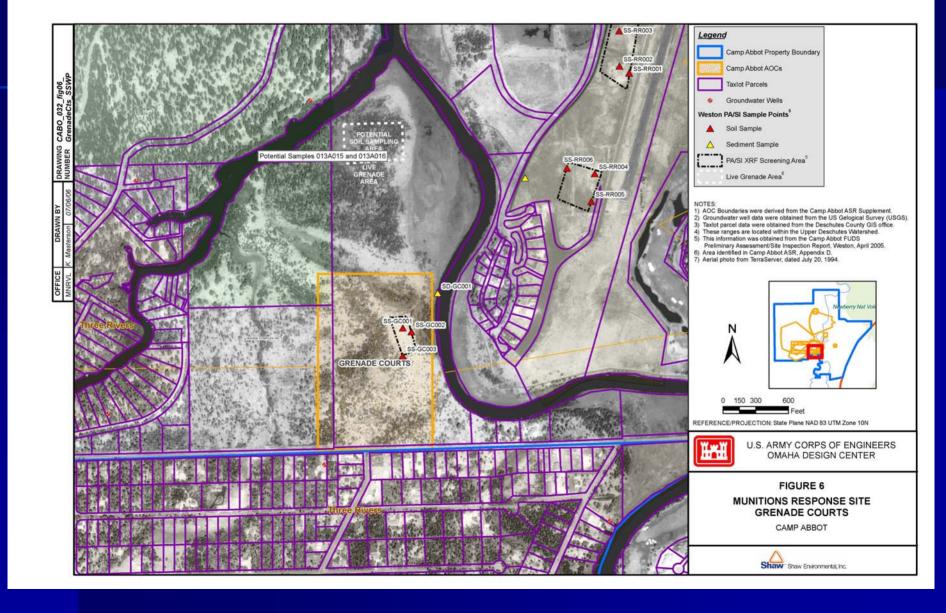
# Conceptual Site Model-

# **Grenade Courts**

- Explosives
- Metals



#### **Grenade Courts**



#### **Grenade Courts**

- Throwing bays or trench
  - Sandbags
  - Concrete
- Targets at 25 yards
  - Circle outline
  - Crater
  - Foxhole
- 5-foot high ready line barrier, 15 yards behind throwing area
- Grenade spoons found

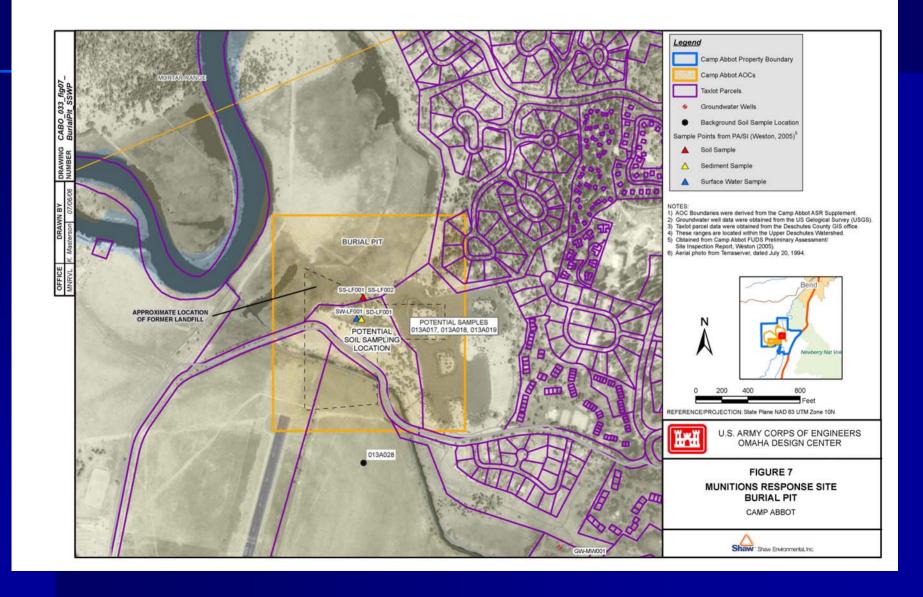


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## Conceptual Site Model-Burial Pit

- Within landfill area
- Horseshoe shaped area, bermed and ringed with stone
- "Local inhabitants indicate both OE and CWM contamination may be buried in the old landfill"
- Use of chemical agents at Camp Abbot was very limited
- Need to confirm location of suspected pit
- Potential munitions, explosives, metals

#### **Burial Pit**



# Conceptual Site Model-Chemical Training Area

- Gas chamber (gas mask training)
- Indoor sniff sets for odor identification
- Adjacent to cantonment
- Close to camp hospital
- Outdoor use would not be done here
- Limited quantities



## Field Investigation

- Reconnaissance
  - Methods
    - Visual
    - Magnetometer
  - Objectives
    - Avoid UXO
    - Select samples
    - Munitions eval

- Sampling
  - Shallow Soils
  - Surface water/sediment
  - Groundwater (existing wells)

# **UXO Clearance and Sample Supplies**









#### **Questions and Comments**



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