



Vieques Cleanup News!

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Photo Exhibit for Vieques residents *Cleanup progress and safety emphasized*



On November 18, 2009, NAVAC Atlantic held a photo exhibit, illustrating the progress that has been made in removing munitions and investigating environmental sites on Vieques.

The event took place at the Multiple Use Center in Isabel II, from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Large graphic displays presented the history of the investigations, the regulatory process that must be followed, and how NAVAC has worked to inform and involve the community during the cleanup.

More than 140 people visited the exhibit. Staff from NAVAC, Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency welcomed them, answered their questions, and participated in children's activities.



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Removing munitions continues to reduce the explosives risk

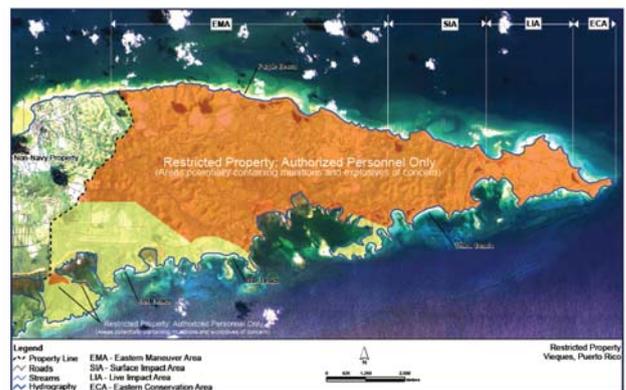
To date, 20,239 live munitions items have been destroyed.

Munitions have been removed from the surface of 1,408 acres of the Live Impact Area, Eastern Conservation Area and Surface Impact Area of the former Navy range.

NAVAC has also excavated and investigated 5,285 anomalies that were detected below the surface of the ground in Bahía Icacos beach and selected roads.



**Play safe during
this holiday
season**
Obey the warning signs



Warning buoys have been installed to alert the public of the dangers of munitions that may be present in the water.

Please obey the warning signs – they are for YOUR protection!