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Response to Comments
Draft Work Plan for Munitions Response Program Former Cat Island Bomb Target BT-2
Expanded Site Inspection
MCAS Cherry Point, North Carolina
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Introduction

The purpose of this document is to address comments associated with the Draft Work Plan for Munitions Response Program Former Cat Island Bomb Target BT-2 Expanded Site Inspection, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, Havelock, North Carolina. George Lane (North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources) and Gena Townsend (United States Environmental Protection Agency) provided comments. Responses to comments are provided in bold type.

George Lane
North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Comments dated July 26, 2010

1. The two ATF&E Type II Magazines are located near the entrance to Bogue Field. The last time I was at Bogue Field, security consisted of one guard at the gate. I'm not sure how much explosive will be stored in these magazines but they might make an attractive target for terrorists or other less than friendly groups. I hope security will be increased while the explosives are on Bogue Field.

Although the magazines will be located within approximately 1,000 feet of the entrance to Bogue Field, they will not be visible from either Highway 24 or the main gate. Bogue Field security personnel have confirmed that they plan to provide security checks and patrols of the processing and storage areas, including the explosives and MPPEH storage areas, once the material is staged on site. Additionally, the magazines will be locked and located within locked, chain-link security fencing.

2. Section 8-1, Page 8-1. Until and unless the yucca plants can be confirmed as not being Yucca Gloriosa, every attempt must be made to preserve all the Yucca plants. I know that further on it states that removal of the Yucca Gloriosa will be avoided (page 8-6) but it must be made clear on 8-1 that any Yucca plant found must be presumed to be Yucca Gloriosa.

The text has been modified to reflect that all Yucca plants will be assumed to be Yucca Gloriosa until positively identified as otherwise.

Gena Townsend
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Comments dated July 14, 2010

1. Appendix D, Table D-4. "Federal Action Specific ARARs" includes agency specific guidance documents in the list of requirements. Guidance documents are not ARARs and should not be included in this table. They can be listed in another table as reference guides that will be used during this investigation, but, should not be included in the ARAR tables. Once the tables have been corrected, this document can be finalized.

The reference to these guidance documents has been removed from Table D-4 in Appendix D.