

PUBLIC NOTICE

Radford Army Ammunition Plant Seeking Interest in Establishing a Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

The Department of Defense (DoD) recognizes the importance of stakeholder participation in the decision-making process of the Installation Restoration Program (IRP). In accordance with 10 USC 2705 and DoD/Army policy, Radford Army Ammunition Plant is inviting community involvement with the environmental restoration program. This program is dedicated to the planned and focused cleanup of Radford Army Ammunition Plant parcels associated with past DoD activity. Its mission is to ensure sustainment of military operations while mitigating or eliminating threats to public health and the environment.

A Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) is a formal volunteer stakeholder group that regularly meets to discuss environmental restoration activities at specific DoD-owned properties on Radford Army Ammunition Plant. The DoD, in coordination with state regulators, oversees and manages the restoration process. Participation in a RAB involves a time commitment from volunteers but provides a valuable platform for individuals interested in the DoD cleanup efforts to exchange information with state regulators, Army management, installation personnel, and other community members.

Additional information regarding the RAB process, membership, and responsibilities can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/fedfac/restoration-advisory-board-rab-implementation-guidelines#recruiting> and <https://aec.army.mil/index.php?cid=326>.

The IRP efforts at Radford Army Ammunition Plant includes a range of activities, including investigation and remediation of former military munitions sites; landfills; former military training areas; as well as historical issues related to polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB), chlorinated solvents, per- and poly-fluoroalkyl (PFAS) substances, and petroleum releases to the environment. Additionally, it involves conducting assessments for both human health and ecological risks. Radford Army Ammunition Plant is committed to public involvement in its environmental programs and is currently evaluating whether there is enough community interest to support a RAB for the installation. Community members interested in volunteering and serving on a Radford Army Ammunition Plant RAB should send an email before November 29, 2023 to: USARMY.RIA.JMC.MBX.AMSJM-PA@ARMY.MIL