Keeping our Community Safe

Working with the EPA

Coordinating with EPA • Strict permitting • Minimizing community impacts

EPA Permitting

Army is coordinating with EPA for the operation

Minimize Impacts

Planned actions will be taken to minimize impacts to the community

Worker Safety

Onsite monitoring and sampling to protect worker safety

Public Safety

Army will coordinate with EPA to monitor areas surrounding the plant

Continuous Air Monitoring

Air will be monitored around the plant

Sampling & Analysis

Air, soil, surface area, and surface water will be sampled and analyzed

Community impacts will be assessed and may result in cleanup actions

Protecting the Environment

Mitigating Actions to Reduce Environmental Impact



Water Sprays

Minimize Dust Release

Like spraying water on a dusty road keeps dust from flying in the air, specialized water misters will knock down dust released during operations.



Soil Wetting

Reduce Particle Re-suspension

Soils in the immediate project area will be wetted before and after the event to minimize re-suspension of dust particles.



Quick Cleanup

Immediate Response

Immediate cleanup actions will be taken to remove impacted soils and debris to eliminate future exposures to the community.

Keeping our Community Safe

Monitoring and Sampling

Continuous Air Monitoring

Army will coordinate with EPA to monitor areas surrounding the plant to protect public safety. Air will be continuously monitored.

Public Areas

Air, soil, surface area, and surface water will be tested

⚠ Right of Entry Needed

Residential Areas

Volunteer opportunity to have soil, surface area, and surface water tested

⚠ Right of Entry Needed

Community impacts will be assessed and may result in cleanup actions where needed

Natural Resources

Agricultural Land Stewardship & Post-Event Assessment

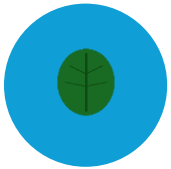
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Onsite Agricultural Outleasing

- Coordinate harvest times with site operations
- Work with lessees to minimize disruption

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Post-Event Land Assessment

- Assess agricultural lands after the event
- Determine impacts and options for future use

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Cleanup Evaluation

- Evaluate need for cleanup actions
- May result in cleanup or temporary suspension of agricultural use

Right of Entry

Understanding Permission to Access Private Property

What is a Right of Entry?

A right of entry is a short-term real estate agreement that grants permission for federal government agencies to perform a specified action or series of actions on property that is not owned or controlled by them.

Why is it Needed?

The primary purpose is to authorize an action which, without the right of entry, would constitute a trespass.

It documents the permission granted and sets out the obligations, responsibilities, and liabilities assumed by the government.

It does not authorize any uses of the property other than those specified in the document.

Right of Entry

Process & Scope of Work

1

Negotiation

Successful negotiation of terms with the property owner

2

Owner Signature

Property owner signs the right of entry document

3

Government Execution

Authorized Real Estate Contracting Officer executes the document

4

Copy Provided

A fully executed copy is provided to the owner



What Type of Work Will Occur on My Property?

- ✓ Completed by a federal contractor at no cost to the property owner
- ✓ Standard practices regarding protection of the environment will be followed at all times
- ✓ No fences, buildings, or other improvements will be disturbed

Right of Entry

Access Timing & Coordination



How Long Will Workers Need Access?

- Time needed depends on the specific work to be conducted
- All proposed activities will be coordinated with the property owner prior to the start of physical work



Timeline After Signing

- All proposed activities will be coordinated with the property owner in advance
- Activities will be documented in the right of entry prior to the start of work



Do I Have to Be Home?

- Activities are coordinated in advance to gain access to controlled areas
- Examples: unlocking/locking gates, securing pets or livestock, accessing water supply

Right of Entry

Your Choices & Rights

If You Don't Sign

If a right of entry is not executed, work will not be performed on the property.

The realty staff will coordinate directly with the property owner on the terms.

If the parties are unable to agree to terms, the owner simply notifies the realty staff (in writing or verbally) that they do not wish to allow access.

If You Change Your Mind

The right of entry may be revoked in writing by the property owner, provided notice is given consistent with the termination clause.

Early termination without the required notice period may entitle the government to recover damages, including contractor costs and other expenses incurred because of the unanticipated early termination.

Immediate Safety Actions

Measures to Mitigate the Impact

The Army has built protective barriers around the earth-covered magazines storing lead azide. These are part of the installation's overall safety design. They are intended to help manage the effects of an unlikely incident within the immediate magazine area.



Map of Potential Impact Area and Recommended Safety Precautions

In an overabundance of caution, the Army recommends vacating of homes in the Middletown City Park neighborhood for the duration of the operation – approximately 4 hours. Older glass windows are more fragile and therefore may be vulnerable to the blast effect. Residents in that neighborhood should avoid being near windows or outside during the operation.

