

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CHEMICAL AND MILITARY POLICE CENTERS & FORT McCLELLAN
FORT McCLELLAN, ALABAMA 36205-5000

6 April 1998

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

Directorate of Environment

SUBJECT: Federal Facility Notification and Coordination with Natural Resource Trustees

Ms. Denise Klimas
Coastal Resource Coordinator
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
c/o USEPA Region 4, 4WD-OHA
345 Courtland Street, NE
Atlanta, GA 30365

Dear Ms. Denise Klimas:

In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) Section 104(b)(2), Fort McClellan is seeking to coordinate assessments, investigations, and planning activities with the appropriate Federal and State natural resource trustees. The intent of this letter is to provide notification of potential damages to natural resources from releases under investigation and to request trustee participation throughout the Superfund remedial process.

During the summer of 1995, the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission recommended the closure of Fort McClellan, Alabama, disposal of the property, and the formation of a Reserve Component enclave for the conduct of their training. The Commission's recommendations became law under signature of the President on September 28, 1995. Approximately 18,500 acres on Main Post have been declared surplus property available for disposal by the Army and for reuse by others. The Army will retain all of Pelham Range (22,245 acres) and portions of the Main Post cantonment area (427 acres) for use by the Army Reserve/National Guard.

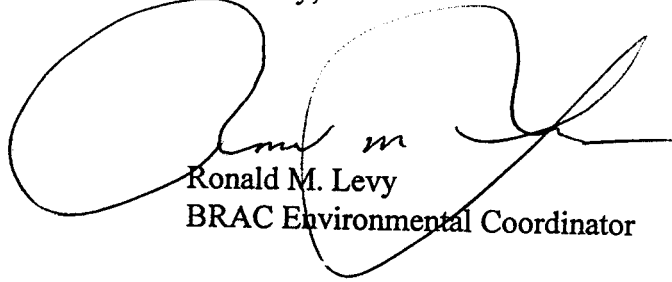
To help you determine whether trust resources are present and potentially affected, I have enclosed a copy of the Final Environmental Baseline Survey, Fort McClellan, Alabama, Volumes I and II, dated January 1998, for your review. Additionally, environmental investigations, remedial actions, and engineering evaluations for unexploded ordnance removal are currently in the planning stages and are scheduled to begin this summer. Work Plans for these actions will be provided upon your request.

It should be noted that this office is consulting informally with Ms. Sharon Delchamps of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Daphne, Alabama, on issues relating to BRAC environmental program activities and their potential impacts on our natural resources.

Please provide a response on your intent to participate as a resource trustee within 30 days of your receipt of this correspondence. Fort McClellan looks forward to hearing from your office to assure the Army fulfills their natural resource trustee obligations under CERCLA.

If you should have any questions or require additional information, please contact the undersigned at (205) 848-3539.

Sincerely,



Ronald M. Levy
BRAC Environmental Coordinator

Enclosure

Copies Furnished:

Alabama Department of Environmental Management, Mr. Chris Johnson
Environmental Protection Agency, Mr. Bart Reedy
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Sharon Delchamps



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April 22, 1998

Ronald M. Levy
BRAC Environmental Coordinator
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Fort McClellan, Alabama 36205

Administrative Copy

Dear Mr. Levy:

Thank you for your April 6, 1998 trustee notification letter regarding environmental investigations at Ft. McClellan, Alabama. Ordinarily, trustee notification is conducted through the U.S. EPA per their §104 CERCLA/SARA statutory responsibilities.

I am pleased to note you're coordinating with Ms. Sharon Delchamps of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. NOAA considers the Service the lead trustee at this site and will provide technical support to them as appropriate. Please coordinate future trustee interactions directly with the Service.

Sincerely,

Tom M. Dillon, Ph.D.
Coastal Resources Coordinator

cc:

Ms. Sharon Delchamps U.S. F&WS
Mr. Lynn Wellman U.S. EPA

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