



# Military Munitions Response Program Fact Sheet

## Campion AS / Galena AS, Alaska

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### Introduction

The United States Air Force is evaluating two sites at Campion Air Station (AS) and Galena AS under the Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP). We are looking for any information the public may have about the history of these sites in an effort to learn more about possible past uses. We are particularly interested in information about munitions at these two sites or any other sites in the area. A field investigation is scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup> through June 11<sup>th</sup>. In order for us to use information provided by the public during this investigation, we would like to receive all information by **May 17, 2006**.

### What is MMRP?

The MMRP is a comprehensive program that addresses the potential hazards present at former munitions response sites that were used before September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2002. Munitions response sites are areas the Department of Defense (DoD) used for munitions-related activities and are now closed or inactive. These sites contain or are suspected to contain unexploded ordnance (UXO), discarded military munitions (DMM), or munitions constituents (MC). The program focuses on how munitions remaining on a site could affect people or the environment.

### The MMRP Goals

The overall goals of the MMRP are to 1) identify where, what kind, and to what extent munitions are present; 2) determine the hazards to human health and the environment; 3) establish goals and metrics to track progress; 4) prioritize which sites require response actions before others; 5) conduct necessary response actions; and 6) transfer land consistent with the munitions response completed.

### Comprehensive Site Evaluation

The first step in the MMRP is the Comprehensive Site Evaluation, which is conducted in two phases. Phase 1 consists of historical record reviews, visual surveys, limited geophysical surveys, and personal interviews. Phase 2 involves a thorough site investigation with soil and water sampling. We are currently initiating Phase 1 of the Comprehensive Site Evaluation in order to prioritize sites in Alaska for future work.

### Where is the Site?

Campion AS and Galena AS are two of several military installations in Alaska included in the MMRP. There is one suspected munitions site at each Air Station:

- Campion Open Burn/Open Detonation Range is located approximately six miles southeast of Galena near the former Campion AS (see Figure 1). This site is estimated to be 15 acres in size.
- Galena Explosive Ordnance Disposal Site is located north of the Galena Airport (see Figure 2) and is estimated to be 20 acres in size.



Figure 1. Location of Campion AS



Figure 2. Location of Galena AS

### How You Can Participate

If you or someone you know would like to provide us with information about these sites or any areas with possible munitions at Campion AS or Galena AS please call, write, or e-mail Russ Beck or Holly Brooks at Weston Solutions. If you are interested, we would be happy to conduct an interview with you at your convenience or provide you with more information about the MMRP.

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### Please Join Us

The MMRP team will be at Campion AS and Galena AS from June 8<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006, to complete the visual survey component of the program. We will be having an informal question and answer/information gathering session at 7 pm on Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at the Community Hall. Please join us to share information about military munitions in your area.