



# Tonight's Agenda

- Poster session with subject matter experts 5:00pm
- Facilitator Comments 6:00pm
- Program Manager's Briefing 6:05pm
- Public Comments 6:20pm
- Facilitator Summation and Conclusion ?



PUBLIC MEETING

## Proposed Plan

### Iowa Army Ammunition Plant (IAAAP)

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**FUSRAP Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program**

May 17, 2011



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# What is FUSRAP?



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## **The Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program or FUSRAP is a national program.**

- FUSRAP identifies and addresses contamination resulting from the nation's early atomic weapons program
- Originally managed by Dept of Energy
- In October 1997 Congress transferred FUSRAP execution from the Dept of Energy to the Army Corps of Engineers
- Follows the CERCLA process
- Requires investigations to protect public health, welfare, and the environment.



The Question is:



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Why is FUSRAP  
interested in  
the Iowa Army Ammunition Plant



# Iowa Army Ammunition Plant (IAAAP): Background



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- Active, secure, government-owned, contractor-operated facility that occupies approximately 19,000 acres.
- Added to the National Priority List (NPL) in August 1990.
- Ongoing Army cleanup program under Dept of Defense Installation Restoration Program by Army
- Current and expected future land use is industrial/military.
- Operational ranges exist on the plant.

# Iowa Army Ammunition Plant (IAAAP): FUSRAP



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- Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) operated on approximately 1600 acres of the IAAAP from 1947 until 1975. (Burlington Atomic Energy Commission Plant – BAECP)
- Former AEC activities included: administrative functions, photography, storage of materials, assembly of self contained components and munitions testing.
- In March 2000, after performing historical research, Dept of Energy determined that some former AEC portions of IAAAP may contain contamination
- In 2001 the site was included in FUSRAP.



- FUSRAP is authorized to address contamination resulting from AEC activities and consequently its focus is on former AEC areas.
- FUSRAP Areas addressed in the Proposed Plan:
  - Line 1 (structures only)
  - Firing Sites Areas (consisting of 5 subareas) soils and structures
  - Yard C soil and structures
  - Yard G soil and structures
  - Yard L soil (areas surrounding Warehouses L-37-1, L-37-2, and L-37-3)
  - Warehouse 3-01 structure (building interiors)

# Where we are now



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- 2001 IAAAP added to FUSRAP
- 2000 to 2007 Soil, sediment, buildings studied
- October 2008 Remedial Investigation Report
- April 2011 Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan
- April 22, 2011 Public Comment period begins
- May 17, 2011 Public Meeting
- May 22, 2011 30-day public comment period ends May 22, 2011
- Later this year Record of Decision





## So what about the Alternatives?

- They address Depleted Uranium (DU) in soil and on structures.
- In the soil, it exists as fragments (“chunks”) and occasionally as fine particles.
- Four alternatives for soil were identified
- On structures, it was found in filters and on a metal sump grate in two buildings at Line 1.
- Three alternatives for structures were identified



- **Remedial Alternatives for Soil**

- **Alternative 1: No Action for Soil – Estimated Cost: \$0**
- **Alternative 2: Land Use Controls for Soil - Estimated Cost \$2.3 million**
- **Alternative 3: Excavation of DU-Contaminated Soil with Off-Site Disposal – Estimated Cost \$50.4 million**
- **Alternative 4: Excavation of DU-Contaminated Soil with Physical Treatment and Off-Site Disposal – Estimated Cost \$45.2 million**

*(A fact sheet is available tonight & the report is available online.)*



- **Remedial Alternatives for Structures**
  - **Alternative S1: No Action for Structures - Estimated Cost: \$0**
  - **Alternative S2: Land Use Controls for Structures - Estimated Cost \$286,000**
  - **Alternative S3: Decontamination/ Replacement of Structures – Estimated Cost \$103,000**

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- **USACE considered CERCLA evaluation criteria**
- **USACE recommends:**
  - Industrial cleanup levels for DU for soil and structures.  
(Soil – 150 pCi/g and Structure - 23,000 dpm/100 cm<sup>2</sup>)
  - Alternative 4: Excavation of DU-Contaminated Soil with Physical Treatment and Off-Site Disposal
  - Alternative S3: Decontamination/Replacement of Structures

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# What this means to you



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**The USACE encourages public input.**

## **What you can do:**

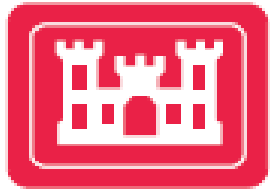
### **1. Learn more**

- [www.mvs.usace.army.mil/eng-con/expertise/fusrap.html](http://www.mvs.usace.army.mil/eng-con/expertise/fusrap.html)
- [www.iaaap.adminrecord.com](http://www.iaaap.adminrecord.com)
- [www.iowaaap-irp.com](http://www.iowaaap-irp.com)

### **2. Send us your thoughts:**

- Written comments may be submitted to the USACE at any time during the 30-day period (including tonight.) Oral comments will be recorded tonight.

# We'd like to hear from you...



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Written comments may be mailed during the  
30-day comment period to

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District**  
FUSRAP Project Office  
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**Written comments may also be faxed to:  
314-260-3941**

**Oral Comments – May be submitted now.**