



California Former George AFB

Facility and Location

Former George Air Force Base (AFB) is located in the southwestern portion of San Bernardino County, approximately 90 miles northeast of Los Angeles and adjacent to the cities of Adelanto and Victorville. It was selected for closure under the Base Realignment and Closure Program (BRAC) in 1988 and officially closed in December 1992. At closure, the base consisted of 5,062 acres.

Established in 1941 as the Air Corps Advanced Flying School, the primary mission of the base during World War II was flight training. In October 1945, all flying activities were discontinued and the base was placed on standby and temporary inactive status. With the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, the base was reactivated in June 1950 as George AFB. Former George AFB was assigned to the Air Defense Command and later to the Tactical Air Command in 1950. The primary mission of the base changed to defense interception, although flight training continued. During the Vietnam conflict, Former George AFB was one of the major Air Force training bases for combat ready fighter crews.

Media Sampled and Findings

Groundwater — In 2008, three samples reported no detection. Prior to 2007, three samples reported no detection.

Soil — Prior to 2007, 1 of 15 soil samples taken detected perchlorate at 0.14 ppb.

Appropriate Actions

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.