



California Salinas Army Airfield

Facility and Location

The Salinas Army Airfield site is located within Salinas in Monterey County. The airfield was used between 1938 and 1946 as a pilot training facility, a base of operations for B-24 combat crew overseas replacements, and by the Air Force as a dispatching point for aircraft going overseas. Skeet range No. 1 consists of 30 acres and is located in the northwestern portion of the former airfield and was used for training and live fire exercises. The 2004 Archives Search Report (ASR) supplement indicates that only general small arms were used at the site. The 2002 ASR also lists parachute flares as potential munitions used at the Salinas AAF. However, there is no evidence that these parachute flares were used at Skeet Range No. 1. No munitions debris or munitions and explosives of concern were found during the 2002 ASR field visit or the 2009 Site Investigation. This Munitions Response Site has been recommended for further investigation under a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study for munitions constituents based primarily on lead and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons in surface soil at levels that may pose unacceptable risks to human receptors.

Media Sampled and Findings

Surface Water — In 2009, three of three samples detected perchlorate from 0.69 to 0.92 ppb.

Appropriate Actions

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