



Massachusetts Sheep Pond

Facility and Location

Sheep Pond Bombing Area, also known as the Madaket Range, was located in the southwestern quarter of Nantucket Island between Long Pond in the west, and Hummock Pond in the east, with the beach as its southern border. It encompassed 852 acres. The U.S. acquired the land on October 9, 1944. Between 1944 and 1946, the area was used as a rocket projectile range by airplanes and crews from the Quonset Point Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island. The land was returned to its original owners in 1946. Today, the western half of the old range is dotted with private dwellings. The eastern half, undeveloped, is now the property of the Nantucket Conservation Foundation.

Media Sampled and Findings

Groundwater — In 2008, four samples reported no detection.

Appropriate Actions

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