Land Use Controls

Bureau of Land Management Overview and Comments

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Overall Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
A quick look at BLM

- Nation’s largest land manager
  - 245 million surface acres
  - Large portion of the West
  - Not including subsurface managed, the area is roughly the size of CA, NV, and AZ combined
  - Lands are not contiguous
  - Includes former DoD lands and properties adjoining active installations

- Mission –
  - Per Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA)
  - Sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations
  - Maximize opportunities for commercial, recreational, and conservation activities
Typical Desired Components of Land Use Controls (LUCs):

- Early communication with the BLM; ideally in the early planning stages for the overall remedy
- Features compatible with planned land use
- Compliments and integrates with BLM controls
- Durable or easily repaired or replaced
- Training provided to BLM personnel on topics such as anomaly avoidance and general munitions safety practices
- Multi-lingual hazard notification (e.g., signage around the perimeter and along roadways re potential hazards and information on how to report any MEC sightings)
- Recommendations for avoiding intrusive activities
- DoD construction support for BLM related intrusive activities (e.g., fence installation/repairs, construction, etc.)
- DoD maintenance and continued communication

Warning Sign on an Access Road to Delta Range, Delta, CO. Note the dual use as a target.
Example LUCs in development for portions of the Barry M. Goldwater Range that are now part of the Sonoran Desert National Monument:

Existing components of Alt 2 in the draft FS:
DoD’s explosive safety education “3Rs Program” (i.e., Recognize, Retreat, and Report) to the required safety, rules, and regulations video that must be watched by all visitors accessing Area A when obtaining an access permit while checking in through the iSportsman website (note: currently routes to a MCAS website)
- Provide training to BLM site workers on topics such as anomaly avoidance and general munitions safety practices
- Provide construction support for BLM related intrusive activities (e.g., fence installation/repairs, construction, etc.)
- Install multi-lingual hazard notification signage around the perimeter of Area A and along roadways to inform of potential hazards and information on how to report any MEC sightings.

Add:
Access gates and physical barrier specifications, and periodic inspections and five-year reviews by DoD to ensure that LUCs remain effective.
Hurricane Mesa Test Site, Washington County, UT

Questions?

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Working with BLM

- First Contacts are Typically with Realty and a Field Office
- A Challenge is Who to Talk with Re Technical Issues

1. Start with the State Hazardous Material Management Program Leads (info to the left will be included in the slides)

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