# FORMER BEALE AFB TITAN 1-A MISSILE FACILITY FUDS PROJECT #J09CA1108-01

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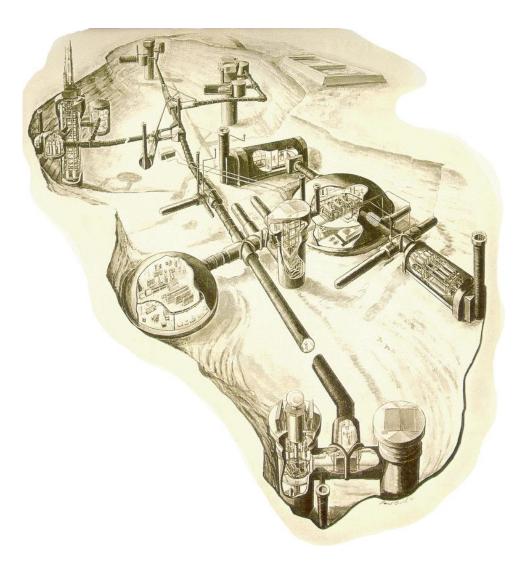
Completed in **1962**; Dismantled in **1968** 

Consisted of three 160-foot-deep missile silos, with adjacent underground and above-ground features including storage tanks, distribution lines, electrical wiring, water supply, communication lines, and wastewater collection facilities.

**1968:** Placer County acquired a parcel of the complex Adjacent parcels acquired by private owners since 1968

**1991:** Presence of trichloroethene (TCE) discovered southwest of the site as a result of groundwater sampling

**1994:** USACE authorized to begin remedial investigations of soil, soil vapor, and groundwater through the Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) Program





## **USACE ROLE IN FUDS PROJECTS**



The Department of Defense is responsible for the environmental restoration of properties that were formerly owned by, leased to, or otherwise possessed by the United States; under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Defense; and transferred from the Secretary's control prior to October 1986. Such properties are known as Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS). USACE executes the FUDS Program on behalf of DoD.

### For projects to be eligible under FUDS:

- The property must be eligible for the FUDS program (described above)
- Known or potential contamination must be attributable to DoD activities prior to 1986 and associated with the eligible property

\*Only contamination attributable to DoD activities can be remedied through FUDS program.



USACE is in the process of completing its Remedial Investigation to clean up trichloroethene (TCE) at the Former Beale AFB Titan 1-A Missile Site.

TCE is a common chemical compound that is widely used as an industrial solvent to degrease metal parts



## **A BRIEF HISTORY**



**1994:** USACE authorized to begin remedial investigations of soil, soil vapor, and groundwater through the Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) Program

**2001-2004:** USACE began small-scale pilot groundwater extraction and treatment system. Approximately 10 pounds of TCE were removed by extracting impacted groundwater

**2002:** Soil Vapor Extraction test performed at 4 wells to test soil permeability/vacuum radius of influence

**2005:** Performed two bench-scale studies testing chemical oxidation and enhanced bioremediation effectiveness on site contamination

2007-2008: Feasibility Study Report complete; Addendum adds remedial alternative for consideration

**2009:** USACE field activities related to the Titan 1-A FUDS project stopped to investigate other potential sources of TCE contamination.

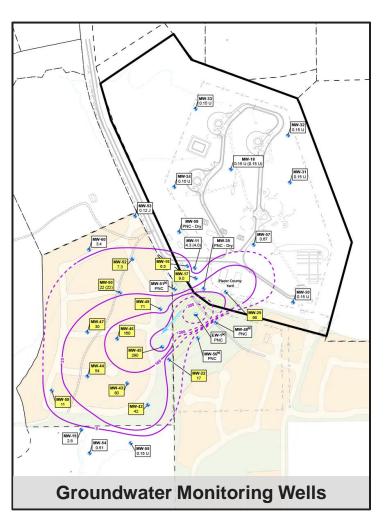
**2018:** USACE re-initiates Titan 1-A FUDS project, remedial investigation activities

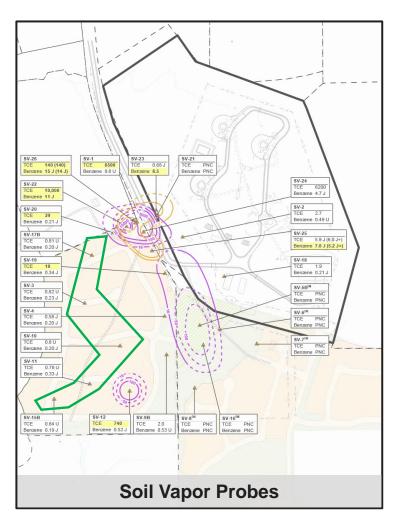
**2019:** USACE installs 19 new groundwater monitoring wells in addition to 14 pre-existing wells and 24 new Soil Vapor Probes; Begins collecting data quarterly to assess status across varying conditions.



### LATEST SAMPLING DATA (AS OF 2022 Q3)







Data tells us that nearby residences are not being exposed to TCE vapors, and there is no evidence TCE is reaching nearby neighborhoods. There is no imminent danger to surrounding communities.



# **REMEDIAL ACTION STATUS / SCHEDULE**



FUDS projects must proceed in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) Manual, and ER 200-3-1 FUDS Program Policy.

# **KEY MILESTONES IN CERCLA PROCESS**



USACE is currently focused on completing the requisite studies to make a determination regarding the type and timing of mitigation strategies. It is too early to know when mitigation will be complete.



## **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**



### **Restoration Advisory Board:**

USACE sent letters to 450 property owners within 1/3 of a mile of project location in FEB 2023 to gauge community interest in forming a RAB.

USACE is currently reviewing community responses to make a determination.

This action occurs biennially. USACE received minimal response to 2021 & 2019 surveys.

### **Informational Public Meeting:**

Finalizing details to hold an upcoming meeting that would provide an overview of our Titan 1-A FUDS project, USACE FUDS program, our current schedule, future opportunities for public involvement, etc.

#### **Project Web Site:**

USACE is developing a new web page with the latest status of our project. Here we will answer frequently asked questions and link to the latest reports/documents.

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