

Fact Sheet

Former Lead Furnace Area (FLFA)

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Introduction

This fact sheet describes the recommended action for lead-containing soil at the FLFA at Radford Army Ammunition Plant.

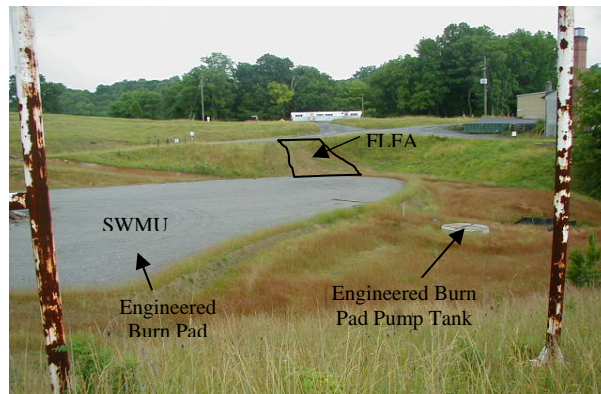
Background

The FLFA encompasses a 0.78 acre area located in the Main Manufacturing Area at the bottom of a steeply sloping hillside in the southeast portion of Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 17A (Contaminated Scrap Burn Area). The FLFA was built into the sloping side of a sinkhole.

The primary function of the lead furnace was to melt and cast recovered lead into ingots for salvage.

Several investigations were conducted in the 1990s; and in 1998, the building foundations, debris, and lead containing soil were removed. The 1998 removal addressed the main source of lead contamination at the site. Additional investigations in 2002 and 2007 indicated that some lead-containing soil in outlying portions of the site remained after the removal.

Groundwater/Surface Water - Surface water and sediment were evaluated by collecting samples at SPG 3, which was shown to be hydraulically connected to the FLFA/SWMU 17A based on results of a dye trace study. Sample results indicated that significant migration from the FLFA via groundwater to the spring is not occurring.



Corrective Measures Study

Four corrective measures alternatives were evaluated based on effectiveness, implementability, and cost. These alternatives consist of the following:

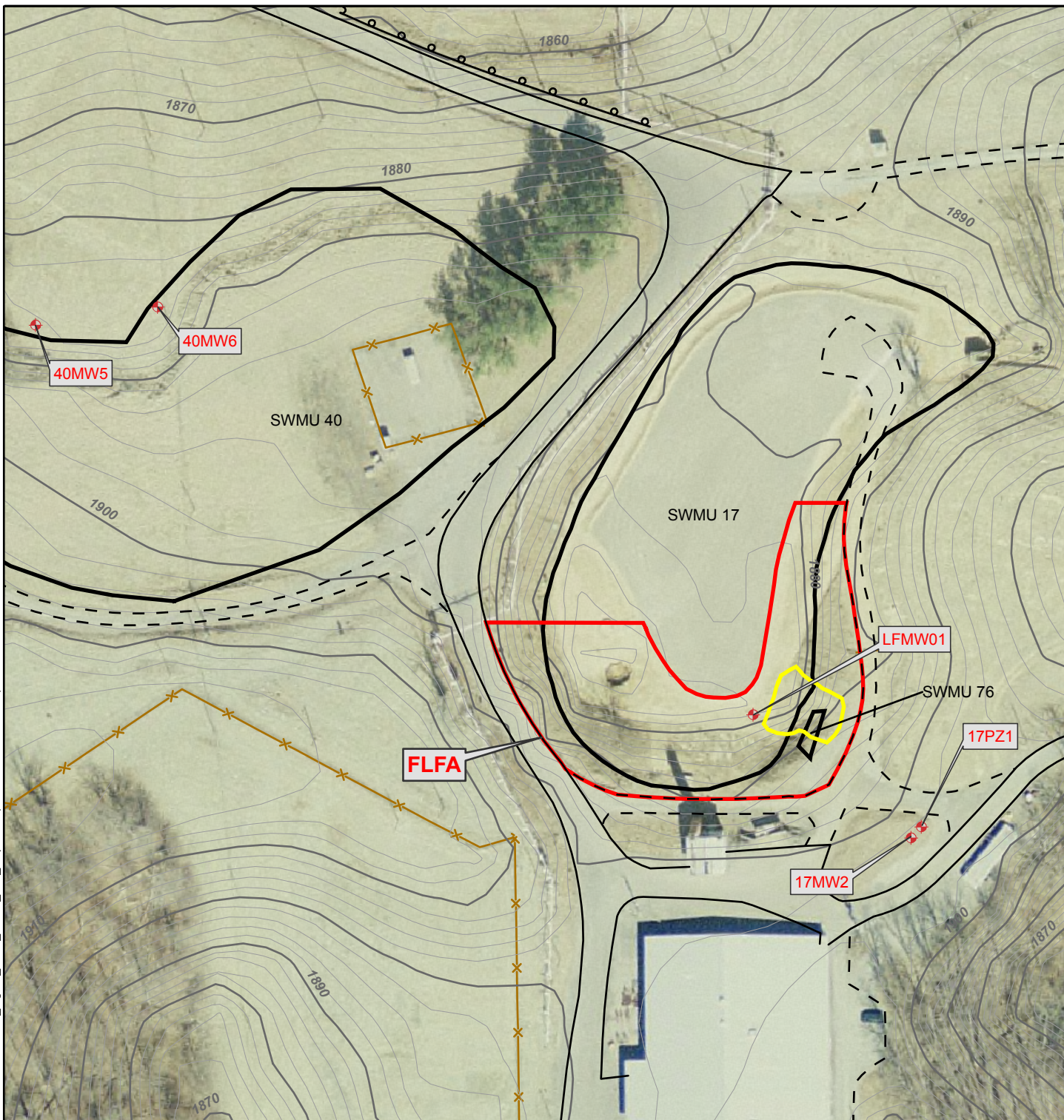
- Alternative One: No Further Action
- Alternative Two: Institutional Controls (Industrial/Commercial Use Scenario Land Use Controls, Groundwater Monitoring)
- Alternative Three: Excavation of Soil with Waste in Place, Off-site Disposal, and Institutional Controls (Industrial/Commercial Use Scenario Land Use Controls, Groundwater Monitoring)
- Alternative Four: Excavation of Soil for Clean Closure (Residential Use) and Off-site Disposal

Alternative Four was recommended as the final alternative for the FLFA because it is implementable and provides a greater level of protection to human health and the environment not provided by the other Alternatives. Alternative Four is the sole alternative that facilitates clean closure.









Alternative four includes the following activities:

- Delineation of soil containing contaminants of interest above the Residential Remedial Goal (RG)
- Excavation of the delineated area such that the remaining soil is below the Residential RG
- Transportation and off-site disposal of soil
- Site restoration activities

The data, findings, assessments, and recommendations are contained in the FLFA RFI/CMS Report dated November 2008. This report was approved by the Radford AAP (RFAAP), U.S. Army Environmental Center



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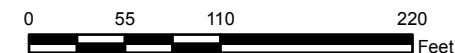
-  Monitoring Well
-  Fence Line
-  Dirt Road
-  Paved Road
-  10 Ft Elevation Contour
-  1998 RFI Excavation Boundary
-  Other SWMU Boundary
-  Former Lead Furnace Area Boundary

Notes:

- 1) Aerial photo, dated 2005, was obtained from Montgomery County, VA Planning & GIS Services.



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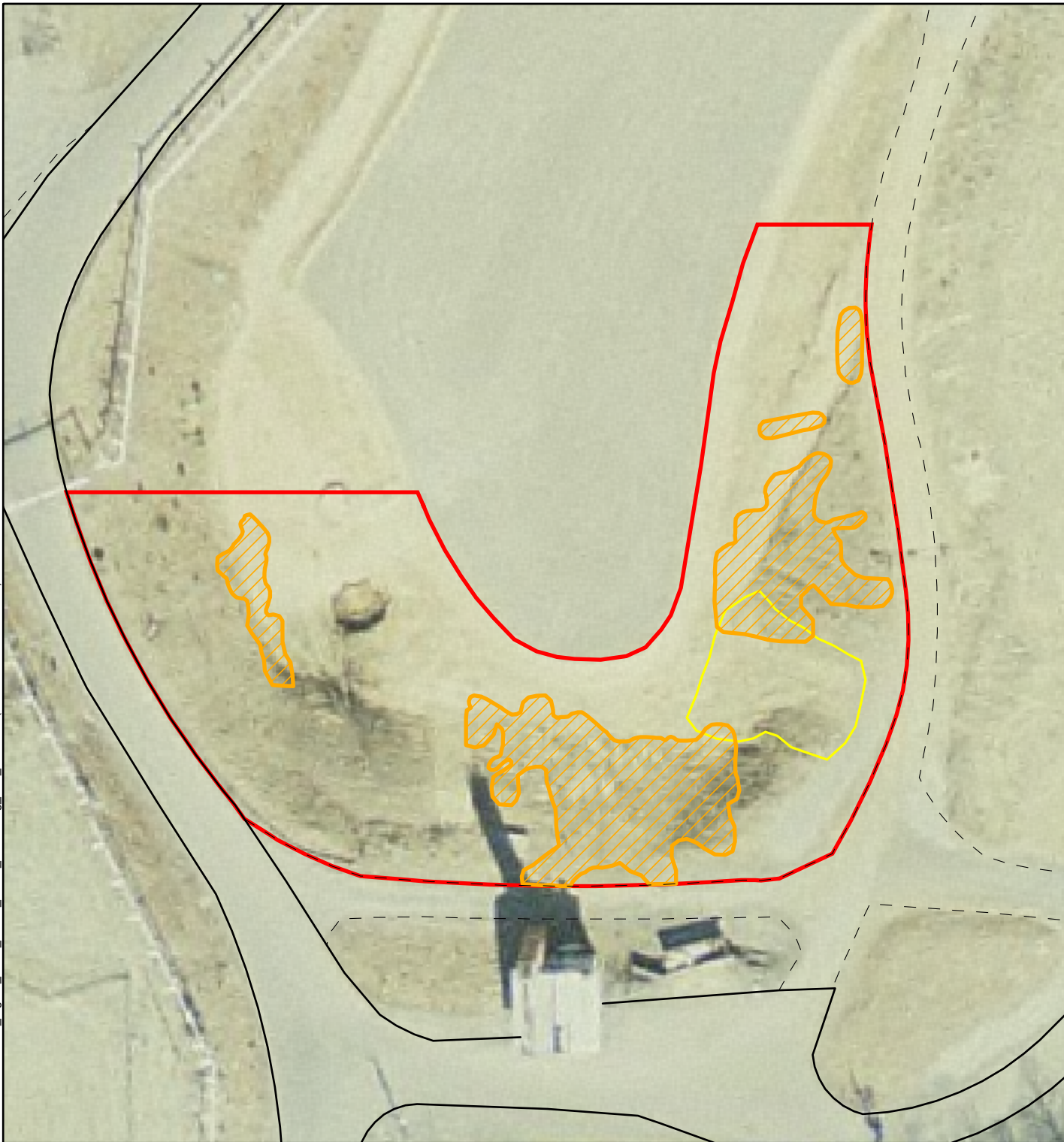
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FIGURE 1-2 Former Lead Furnace Area Site Map

Radford Army Ammunition Plant,
Radford, VA



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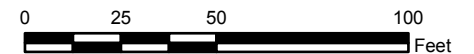
- -- Dirt Road
- Paved Road
-  Area Exceeding Residential Remedial Goals
-  1998 RFI Soil Excavation Area
-  Former Lead Furnace Area Boundary

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- 1) Aerial photo, dated 25 May 2000, was obtained from the Army Topographic Engineering Center.



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FIGURE 2-2

Former Lead Furnace Area
Areas of Contamination Above
Residential Remedial Goals
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Photo 1. Photograph overlooking SWMU 17A burn cap with the FLFA in background.



Photo 2. View of FLFA above SWMU 17A.

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