

Military veterans honored at depot



UMCDF's military veterans were honored Wednesday during a brief ceremony in observance of Veteran's Day. Veterans who have served on active duty while employed at UMCDF were given special recognition by Project General Manager Bob Dikeman (left). From left to right: Matt Stayrook, Jay Gibson, Ryan McKeever, Robert Theriault and Ron Wyscaver. Jose Garcia was not present but also received a plaque. Two employees, William Barker and Jeff McKinniss, are currently serving in the Middle East. The Army's Site Project Manager Mike Strong also recognized three CMA Field Office veterans: Hawk Conrad, Dan Moore, and Don Jespersen, who is currently deployed to Kuwait. In a separate ceremony on Tuesday, Depot Commander Lt. Col. Kris Perkins also recognized depot veterans and employees who deployed.



Depot Commander Lt. Col. Kris Perkins fields questions from a class of first-graders at West Park Elementary School in Hermiston Tuesday. The commander visited the school as part of Veterans Day activities.

UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 1,223 days, or more than 5.6 million work hours, since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCDF (July 7, 2006).

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (Nov. 5 - 11, 2009)

Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period	0
Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	159
Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	6.0
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period	0
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date	54
Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period	0
Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date	278,744
Pounds of total agent destroyed to date <i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>	3,044,926
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004) <i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i>	218,136
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	1,517.23
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	40.81

**Recipient ton containers are byproducts of mustard disposal and were not a part of the original stockpile.*

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- **June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- **June 4, 2009:** First HD ton containers transported from depot storage to disposal plant.
- **Nov. 5, 2008:** Completed VX munitions campaign.
- **Oct. 26, 2007:** Began VX munitions campaign.
- **July 8, 2007:** Completed GB munitions campaign.
- **Sept. 7, 2004:** Began GB munitions campaign.

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