

BGCA Over-pack and Movement Operation Update

The H projectile X-ray assessment, continued this week with 28 additional projectile samples being containerized. Four crates of 32 containerized projectiles were also safely transported this week to the designated storage igloo for the upcoming X-ray assessment.

Blue Grass Chemical Activity has completed the containerization of 60 H projectile samples to date. The remainders of the projectile inserts are scheduled to arrive at the Chemical Activity on 14 March 2011. We plan to complete over-pack operations by the end of March 2011.

The purpose of this operation is to select and over-pack a sample of projectiles that represents the entire stockpile. The projectiles are currently stored in three separate igloos, and selected munitions will be safely transported to one designated storage igloo for future X-ray operations, which are planned to begin in May. The initial process is expected to last several weeks and marks BGCA's first steps in preparation for overall stockpile demilitarization.

All munitions movements, over-pack operations and storage operations are performed under the direct oversight of qualified US Army ammunition surveillance personnel and in accordance with US Army SOP's.

BGCA Highlights:

- ❖ BGCA Headquarters Building renovation to be complete in April 2011.
- ❖ Growing workforce in anticipation of demilitarization.
- ❖ Tour groups scheduled for March and April.
- ❖ LTC Basso is available for Speakers Bureau events in surrounding counties.

BGCA Key Messages:

- ❖ The Blue Grass Chemical Munitions Stockpile is safely stored and maintained by the employees of the Blue Grass Chemical Activity (BGCA) under the command of Lt. Col. Steven Basso.
- ❖ The U.S. Army is *committed* to the safety of the community, the workforce and the environment.
- ❖ CSEPP is *committed* to saving lives and protecting property in the unlikely event of a chemical accident or incident at BGCA.

Do you have an Emergency Preparedness Plan?

An Emergency Preparedness Plan will help you determine what is needed to survive in any emergency. Local, state and federal agencies are ready to respond; however your best defense is preparedness - before, during and after an emergency.

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"Upcoming Events"

- March 24, 2011
Madison County elected officials tour.
- March 25, 2011
Lt. Col. Basso guest speaker at ECU.

