

### CSEPP drill goes well



Umatilla Chemical Depot employees made history Tuesday when they participated in the Annual Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) Exercise. Because of progress on the disposal of HD mustard ton containers at UMCD, this is likely to be the last annual exercise held at the depot.

This is after 20 years of planning and participating in the annual exercise. These exercises were held annually to prepare the depot and surrounding communities in case of a chemical incident.

"Once again Team Umatilla demonstrated their ability to safely and aggressively respond to a chemical event," said Lt. Col. Kris Perkins, depot commander. "This is a testament to their training and their dedication to ensuring the work force, the community and the environment are protected. I am very proud of what they accomplished today and we will continue to focus on safety until our mission at UMCD is complete."

Under the Army's exercise scenario, the event started shortly after 9 a.m. with an accident involving a truck transporting three ton containers filled with HD mustard chemical agent to re-warehouse the munitions. The simulated event triggered an immediate response from depot workers to the accident scene, assembly of workers at the depot Operations Center and notification of the incident to off-post jurisdictions, including surrounding counties. Simulated were shelter in place and evacuations of residents and businesses affected by the depot plume models.

A Mobile Joint Information Center was set up in Benton County, Wash., to handle mock media calls and provided video interviews. Real world media covered the event as the final CSEPP exercise in the community before the end of agent at the Umatilla site.

Federal evaluators from the Army, FEMA and local and state CSEPP jurisdictions are reviewing lessons learned from the exercise and will compile a report 45 days after the exercise.

### UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 1,741 days, or more than 8.2 million work hours, since a lost work day accident occurred at the UMCDF (July 7, 2006).

#### Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (April 7 - 13, 2011)

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| Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period   | 32        |
| Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date   | 1,532     |
| Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date   | 58.1      |
| Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period   | 22        |
| Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date   | 587       |
| Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period   | 53,808    |
| Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date   | 2,710,320 |
| Pounds of total agent destroyed to date<br><i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>   | 6,090,976 |
| Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004)<br><i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i> | 219,488   |
| Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date   | 2,733.02  |
| Percentage of total agent tons destroyed   | 73.52     |

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

#### UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- June 27, 2010:** Completed mustard Agent Trial Burn for Metal Parts Furnace (MPF) and Liquid Incinerators (LICs).
- June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the 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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