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CWM Removal to Begin at Dunn Field

After several years of investigation and planning, the chemical warfare materiel will be removed from the ground at Dunn Field starting in April. Preparations are underway for the removal action that should be completed in July.

By the end of March, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and their contractors should have completed training specialized personnel and preparing the site to include setting up the state-of-the-art Vapor Containment Structure (VCS) and the monitoring equipment to ensure a safe, effective removal. The VCS is an airtight, tent-like structure that has been used successfully at removal sites across the U.S. and is designed to provide the highest possible level of protection for workers and the community. The VCS is equipped with an air filtration system, as well as video cameras and monitoring equipment to maintain safety throughout the project.

More information on safety procedures for the CWM removal action can be found in the Site Safety Submission at the Depot's four Information Repositories.

Prior to the start of the removal action, the Depot will host a Community Information Session on March 18, 2000 at Corry Middle School, 2230 Corry Road, to share information with the community. The CWM team will also provide regular updates on the CWM project at monthly Restoration Advisory Board meetings and weekly briefings. These briefings are scheduled to begin in early April and continue through to the end of the project. The times and locations of these meetings will be announced as soon as possible.

Upcoming CWM Information Meetings

RAB Meeting	March 16, 2000	6 pm	The Depot
Community Information Session	March 18, 2000	10 am to 4 pm	Corry Middle School
RAB Meeting	April 20, 2000	6 pm	The Depot

For more information about the CWM removal activities, please call the Memphis Depot's Community Relations Office at (901) 544-0613. □

COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION

The Memphis Depot will host a Community Information Session on Saturday, March 18, 2000, at Corry Middle School from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The purpose of the session is to update the community about the chemical warfare materiel (CWM) removal project scheduled to begin in April at Dunn Field.



Representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Memphis Emergency Management Agency, and the Product Manager for Non-Stockpile Chemical Materiel will be available to answer your questions about their role in this phase of our environmental cleanup.

Plan to attend on March 18. For more information, contact the Memphis Depot Community Relations Office at (901) 544-0613. □



The Memphis Depot Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) attended a partnering session on December 16, 1999. Inetta Rogers of Time Warner Communications (pictured here) presented information about procedures for running effective public meetings. Janis Fullilove, WDIA talk show host and University of Memphis communications instructor, spoke about effectively communicating to achieve respect.