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Public Invited To Attend Camp Navajo Stakeholder Advisory Group Meeting

CAMP NAVAJO, ARIZ.... The public is invited to attend a meeting of the Camp Navajo Open Burn/Open Detonation (OB/OD) Area Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG) at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2008, at the Coconino National Forest conference room, Flagstaff, 1824 S. Thompson St., between W. Route 66 and University, west of Woodlands Village Blvd.

The SAG meeting will focus on recent progress and upcoming work in the ongoing environmental clean-up efforts at Camp Navajo. National Guard Bureau and Arizona Army National Guard representatives will present information on the program for investigating and cleaning up sites that were historically used for demilitarization of obsolete and unserviceable munitions. Representatives from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be available to answer questions. Additionally, Arizona Game and Fish Department will offer a presentation regarding elk studies along I-17 and I-40, south and west of Flagstaff.

Camp Navajo was established as a storage depot for explosives and other strategic war supplies more than 60 years ago. It was also a place where obsolete or unserviceable munitions were demilitarized in an area known as the OB/OD Area, which was used until the demilitarization mission ended in 1994. The National Guard Bureau, in coordination with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and the Arizona Army National Guard, has been working on an investigation and cleanup of the Camp Navajo OB/OD Area for more than 10 years.

The SAG is comprised of representatives from various federal, state and local agencies and from the community. The SAG meets tri-annually to discuss the status of the cleanup activities, and all meetings are open to the public. Between meetings, they review and comment on work plans, procedures and reports.

For more information, visit <http://www.CampNavajoEnvironmental.org>.

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