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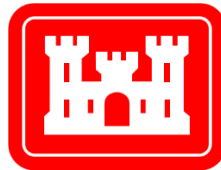
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ARNG = Army National Guard

OHARNG = Ohio Army National Guard

NEDO-DERR = Division of Environmental Response and Revitalization, Northeast District Office

USACE = United States Army Corps of Engineers

IRP = Installation Restoration Program

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## **ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

AOC	Area of Concern
ARNG	Army National Guard
CC	Compliance-related Cleanup Program
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act
CJAG	Camp James A. Garfield
COPC	Contaminant of Potential Concern
CRP	Community Relations Plan
DoD	Department of Defense
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
HRR	Historical Records Review
IAP	Installation Action Plan
IRA	Interim Remedial Action
IRP	Installation Restoration Program
LTC	Lieutenant Colonel
LUC	Land Use Control
MAJ	Major
MMRP	Military Munitions Response Program
MRS	Munitions Response Site
NFA	No Further Action
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
OB/OD	Open Burning/Open Detonation
OHARNG	Ohio Army National Guard
PAH	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
PBA	Performance Based Acquisition
PMP	Property Management Plan
RAB	Restoration Advisory Board
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RVAAP	Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant
SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
TAPP	Technical Assistance for Public Participation
U.S.	United States
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USP&FO	United States Property and Fiscal Officer

## **SECTION 1.0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS PLAN OVERVIEW**

This Community Relations Plan (CRP) was developed to promote public awareness and participation concerning the cleanup activities for the Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant (RVAAP) restoration program, and to document the procedures and resources used to accomplish these goals. This CRP is prepared and published on behalf of the Army National Guard (ARNG) under the federal guidelines established by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), (USEPA, 2005 and USACE 2011). It is the intention of the ARNG and Ohio Army National Guard (OHARNG) to develop and maintain a climate of trust through proactive interaction with the public by assuring stakeholders that personal safety and environmental integrity is their highest priority. To ensure community members are informed of actions associated with cleanup activities, ARNG has established informational venues through the media, designated local document repositories, and provided the Administrative Record at the facility and on the public website, [www.rvaap.org](http://www.rvaap.org). In order to provide opportunities for public participation in the restoration process, a Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) has been established which enables the public to comment and voice their concerns. Public meetings are also scheduled to present and discuss Proposed Plans (documents that present remedial and/or site investigation plans). Periodic public tours of the facility are also utilized to allow the public an opportunity to see Areas of Concern (AOCs) or Munitions Response Sites (MRSs) in the restoration process.

This CRP contains five sections along with ten supporting appendices.

- Section 1.0 presents a brief explanation of the CRP's purpose, the Army's plan for community information and involvement related to the environmental program, and how the CRP is laid out.
- Section 2.0 presents information about the site, its description and location, its history, and past and current cleanup activities.
- Section 3.0 presents information on the community profile, the chronology of public involvement, and key public concerns.
- Section 4.0 contains information about the communication techniques and actions to be implemented regarding public awareness and participation.
- Section 5.0 contains the references.

Appendix A lists Federal, State of Ohio and local government officials. Appendix B list appropriate Army and Regulatory Agency contact information. Appendix C lists the current RAB members. Appendix D presents local newspaper, TV station and radio station contact information.

Appendix E gives the meeting locations for RAB or public meetings. Appendix F gives the repository locations and Administrative Record file location. Appendix G provides a questionnaire template for conducting a telephone interview with public stakeholders regarding their awareness of the restoration cleanup activities. Appendix H provides the interest survey utilized by the RAB in selecting new or replacement board members. Appendix I contains examples of Public Notices. Appendix J presents a blank Public Comment Form.

The CRP is updated annually as appropriate.



## **SECTION 2.0 FACILITY LOCATION AND HISTORY**

### **2.1 Facility Location**

The former RVAAP, now known as the Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center (CJAG), located in northeastern Ohio within Portage and Trumbull counties, is approximately three (3) miles east/northeast of the City of Ravenna and one (1) mile north/northwest of the City of Newton Falls. The facility is approximately 11 miles long and 3.5 miles wide. The facility is bounded by State Route 5, the Michael J. Kirwan Reservoir, and the CSX System Railroad to the south; Garrett, McCormick, and Berry roads to the west; the Norfolk Southern Railroad to the north; and State Route 534 to the east. In addition, the facility is surrounded by the communities of Windham, Garrettsville, Charlestown, and Wayland.

Administrative accountability for the 21,683-acre facility has been transferred to the United States Property and Fiscal Officer (USP&FO) for Ohio and subsequently licensed to the OHARNG for use as a military training site, Camp James A. Garfield. The RVAAP restoration program involves cleanup of former production/operational areas throughout the facility related to former activities conducted under the RVAAP. The restoration program is currently managed by the ARNG with support from the OHARNG.

### **2.2 Facility History**

Production at the former RVAAP began in December 1941 with the primary missions of depot storage and ammunition loading. The installation was divided into two units: the Portage Ordnance Depot and the Ravenna Ordnance Plant. The Portage Ordnance Depot was used primarily to store munitions and components, while the Ravenna Ordnance Plant was used to load and pack major caliber artillery ammunition and assemble munitions-initiating components that included fuzes, boosters, and percussion elements in 12 load lines. The installation was renamed the Ravenna Ordnance Center in August 1943 and then Ravenna Arsenal in November 1945. In 1950, the plant was placed in standby status, and operations were reduced to renovation, demilitarization, and normal maintenance of equipment, along with the storage of ammunition and components. The plant was reactivated during the Korean Conflict to load and pack major caliber shells and components. All production ended in August 1957. In October 1957, the installation was again placed in a standby status. In October 1960, the ammonium nitrate line was renovated for demilitarization operations. From January to July 1961, the renovated line was used for melting explosives out of bomb casings for subsequent recycling, after which the plant was again deactivated. In November 1961, the installation was renamed RVAAP and divided into the Ravenna Ordnance Plant and an industrial section. These facilities were deactivated in August 1972. The demilitarization of the M71A1 90mm projectile occurred from June 1973 until March 1974. Demilitarization of various munitions was conducted from October 1982 through 1992. Until 1993, the former RVAAP maintained the capability to load, assemble, and pack military ammunition. As part of the RVAAP mission, the inactive facilities were maintained in a standby status by keeping equipment in a condition to permit resumption of production within prescribed limitations. In September 1993, the former RVAAP was placed in inactive caretaker status and subsequently changed to modified caretaker status. The Army determined that the load lines and associated real estate were excess. Throughout its history, portions of the facility were also used for open burning/detonation, landfill operations, and for research and development.

OHARNG has been training at the facility since the 1960s. Administrative accountability for the facility was first transferred from the Base Realignment and Closure office (BRAC) to the USP&FO

for Ohio in May 1999, with the final transfer occurring in September 2013. The facility is licensed to the OHARNG for use as a military training site.

The facility was renamed from Camp Ravenna to Camp James A. Garfield in October 2018.

### **2.3 General Description of the RVAAP Restoration Program**

The Army utilizes the Installation Restoration Program (IRP) and Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) to investigate potential contamination from former operations and implement the cleanup work at CJAG/former RVAAP. These programs follow requirements under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or Superfund). The Army's multiyear restoration program at Camp James A. Garfield/former RVAAP is detailed in the Installation Action Plan (IAP), (Army National Guard, 2019). The IAP is further described in Section 4.1. The IAP defines the proposed approach and the costs to conduct future investigations and cleanup actions at each potentially contaminated area at the installation. The IAP is updated annually. Today, there are a total of 84 cleanup sites which are in various stages of the cleanup process.

#### **2.3.1 Installation Restoration Program (IRP)**

AOCs under the IRP are being investigated and remediated (as required) due to a potential for chemical contamination related to former operations. The IRP was initiated at the former RVAAP in 1989. In December 2008, the IRP was expanded to include cleanup sites (identified as Compliance-related cleanup [CC] sites) where Department of Defense (DoD) activities occurred after October 17, 1986. Surveys of the former RVAAP identified 53 AOCs and 14 compliance restoration AOCs.

Previous and ongoing investigations for the IRP sites are summarized in the IAP.

#### **2.3.2 Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP)**

MRSs under the MMRP are being investigated and remediated (as required) due to a potential for munitions contamination related to former operations. A total of 17 MMRP sites are at the former RVAAP.

#### **2.3.3 Other Investigations**

Some areas of potential contamination at the facility do not fall under the programs described above. They have been investigated and closed under other programs and/or regulations such as the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), solid waste regulations, or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Examples of these sites include wastewater treatment plants, landfills, and former hazardous waste storage areas.

### **2.4 Current and Ongoing Activities**

There are 84 AOCs/MRSs in various stages of the remedial process at the former RVAAP. Soil, groundwater, sediment, and surface water are being investigated and remediated as needed. Groundwater is actively being monitored and investigated on a facility-wide basis.

Land Use Controls (LUCs) were implemented for sites that did not achieve unrestricted/residential use status. The LUCS may include use restrictions, fencing, signage, and/or Seibert Stakes around the site. Sites with LUCs are managed under the Property Management Plan (PMP) and undergo five-year reviews.

## **SECTION 3.0 PUBLIC BACKGROUND**

### **3.1 Portage and Trumbull Counties History and Demographics**

In 1802, all of what is now Portage County was organized under the name of Franklin Township with other townships being formed later. On February 10, 1807 the Ohio state legislature passed the act to create Portage County from Trumbull County which took effect on June 7, 1807. Portage County is comprised of 487.38 square miles. The county has five cities (Aurora, Kent, Ravenna, Streetsboro and Tallmadge) and seven villages (Brady Lake, Garrettsville, Hiram, Mantua, Mogadore, Sugar Bush Knolls and Windham. Only one city (Ravenna) and two villages (Windham and Garrettsville) lie within 4 miles of the facility's border.

According to the United States (U.S.) Census (US Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, 2019), the following Portage County statistics are:

- (2018) population: 162,466
- (2018) number of persons per square mile: 333.3
- (2015-2019) median value of owner-occupied housing units: \$159,200
- (2015-2019) homeownership rate: 69.5%
- (2015-2019) persons age 25+ high school graduates or higher: 92.4%
- (2015-2019) persons age 25+ with bachelor's degree or higher: 29.0%
- (2019) persons under 18 years of age: 18.5%
- (2019) persons 65 years of age and over: 17.0%

Trumbull County was established on July 10, 1800, serving as the seventh county in the Northwest Territory. Trumbull County is comprised of 618.30 square miles. The county has seven cities (Cortland, Girard, Hubbard, Newton Falls, Niles, Warren, and Youngstown [portion]) and five villages (Lordstown, McDonald, Orangeville, West Farmington, and Yankee Lake). Newton Falls is the only city located within 3 miles of the facility's border.

According to the U.S. Census, the following Trumbull County statistics are:

- (2019) population: 197,974
- (2019) the number of persons per square mile: 320.2
- (2015-2019) the median value of owner-occupied housing units: \$102,600
- (2015-2019) homeownership rate: 70.6%
- (2015-2019) persons age 25+ high school graduates or higher: 89.4%
- (2015-2019) persons age 25+ with bachelor's degree or higher: 18.7%
- (2019) persons under 18 years of age: 20.3%
- (2019) persons 65 years of age and over: 22.1%

### **3.2 History of Public Involvement**

In 1996, a survey was mailed, and articles appeared in the local newspapers to solicit interest in forming a RAB. A selection committee reviewed the applications and chose the new RAB members. The RAB was established with 25 members consisting of public members and appointed representatives. The RAB has a representative from each of the surrounding six townships (Braceville, Newton, Paris, Charleston, Freedom and Windham), two county representatives (Trumbull and Portage), a representative of the Ohio EPA, a Community Co-chair, and the Army Co-chair. The RAB held its first meeting on November 13, 1996. RAB meetings are held approximately two times a year. Additional information about the RAB is provided in Section 4.2.

Public meetings for specific sites or topics have been held as necessary.

## **SECTION 4.0 COMMUNICATIONS TECHNIQUES AND ACTIONS**

This section presents the communications techniques and actions used to inform the public of environmental restoration information. These tools ensure the public is well informed and has opportunities to provide input into the decision-making process for the RVAAP restoration program. A publicly available Installation Action Plan is updated annually that outlines and tracks the progress of RVAAP restoration program sites. The Restoration Advisory Board meets publicly several times per year and reviews information briefings on future, ongoing and recently completed environmental restoration projects, plus provides an opportunity for the public to ask and submit questions and comments on environmental restoration projects. Copies of environmental restoration reports are publicly available at information repositories, on the publicly accessible website and at the CJAG Environmental Office. In addition, information packets, fact sheets, and public notices may be distributed.

Details on these items are presented in the following sub-sections.

### **4.1 Installation Action Plan**

The purpose of the IAP is to outline the total multiyear cleanup program and to track requirements, schedules, and tentative budgets for all major Army installation cleanup programs. The RVAAP Restoration Program IAP identifies environmental cleanup requirements at each AOC or MRS and proposes a comprehensive, installation-wide approach, along with the costs and schedules associated with conducting investigations and taking the necessary remedial actions.

In an effort to coordinate planning information between the Army National Guard, the OHARNG, the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) – Louisville District, the Ohio EPA, the executing agencies, and the public, an IAP is typically updated and completed each fiscal year. The IAP is available for public review in the Information Repositories located at Reed Memorial Library and Newton Falls Public Library (see Section 4.3) and on the public website, [www.rvaap.org](http://www.rvaap.org) (see Section 4.5).

### **4.2 Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)**

The purpose of the RAB is to promote public involvement in the DoD environmental cleanup activities and allow the public to review and discuss the progress with decision makers. In 1996, a survey was mailed, and articles appeared in the local newspapers to solicit interest in forming a RAB. A selection committee reviewed the applications and chose the new RAB members. The former RVAAP RAB was established with 25 members consisting of public members and appointed representatives. The RAB has a representative from each of the surrounding six townships (Braceville, Newton Falls, Paris, Charleston, Freedom and Windham), two county representatives (Trumbull and Portage), and a representative from the Ohio EPA, the Community Co-chair and the Army Co-chair. The RAB held its first meeting on November 13, 1996.

The RAB rotates its meetings between the township halls and are held approximately two (2) times per year, typically on the third Wednesday of the selected meeting month. A public notice is sent to local media announcing the RAB meeting date, location, topics to be covered, or rescheduling details. RAB meetings are open to the public and structured to include restoration related presentations and followed by a questions and answers session. Meeting minutes are taken and approved by the RAB. Once approved, meeting minutes are available for review in the Information Repositories located at Reed

Memorial Library and Newton Falls Public Library (see Section 4.3) and on the public website, [www.rvaap.org](http://www.rvaap.org) (see Section 4.5).

Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) in Defense Environmental Restoration Activities was established to assist the RAB in reviewing technical documents regarding the nature and extent of contamination or the proposed remedial actions. This assistance enhanced the RAB's understanding of the environmental process and provided an outside independent source of information on the DoD restoration activities occurring at the facility. TAPP services have been provided to the RAB in the past with the last being April 2014.

To keep the RAB aware of the environmental activities, tours of specific areas of concern have been held. Currently, the need and timeframe for a public tour is based on project schedules, field activities, and feedback from the RAB. The first RAB tour was held in October 1996. Subsequent tours have been held on the following years and at the following locations:

- 1999 - Erie Burning Grounds,
- 2000 - Winklepeck Burning Grounds, Demolition Area #2, and Load Line 12,
- 2001 - Upper and Lower Cobbs Pond, the Central Burn Pits, and Load Line #11,
- 2002 - Load Line #6 and Load Line #2,
- 2004 - Fuze and Booster Quarry Ponds, Fuze and Booster Load Lines, Winklepeck Burning Grounds, and Load Lines 2, 3 and 4,
- 2005 - Load Lines 2, 3 and 4 and the Winklepeck Burning Grounds,
- 2007 - Load Lines 1, 2, 3 and 4 and Winklepeck Burning Grounds,
- 2008 - Load Line 4, Central Burn Pits, Winklepeck Burning Grounds, and the Sand Creek Barriers,
- 2009 – the Rocket Ridge Area, Ramsdell Quarry and Load Line 12,
- 2010 – the Rocket Ridge Area, Load Line 12, and Ramsdell Quarry Landfill,
- 2012 – the Rocket Ridge Area and the Atlas Scrap Yard, and
- 2013 - the OHARNG Demolition Range, the Urban Terrain training grounds, and various facility-wide groundwater monitoring well locations.
- 2017 – Open Demolition Area #2 and various facility-wide groundwater monitoring well locations.

### **4.3 Information Repository and Administrative Record File**

Current information and final documents are placed in the Information Repositories and maintained under the RVAAP restoration program by the ARNG/OHARNG. Information Repositories have been established at the following locations:

Reed Memorial Public Library  
167 East Main St  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
(330) 296-2827

Newton Falls Public Library  
204 South Canal Street  
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444  
(330) 872-1282

Due to COVID19 pandemic restrictions, library hours for public viewing may be restricted.

The Administrative Record File is established and maintained at the following location:

Camp James A. Garfield  
Attn: Environmental Office  
1438 State Route 534  
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444-9297  
(614) 336-6136

The Administrative Record File is located at Camp James A. Garfield which is a controlled access facility. Access to the Administrative Record File can be obtained with prior notification and arrangement.

#### **4.4 Community Relations Plan (CRP)**

This plan will be revised as necessary, to update facts and verify information, assess the public involvement program to determine whether the same or different approaches will continue to be taken, and to develop strategies to prepare the public for possible remediation activities at the facility.

#### **4.5 Website**

ARNG/OHARNG maintains a website ([www.rvaap.org](http://www.rvaap.org)) for the restoration program. The website contains information about the following:

- The history of the facility including newsletters, maps, photographs,
- A description of the environmental investigations taking place and areas of concern,
- RAB meeting locations and dates including approved RAB meeting minutes,
- A news page highlighting upcoming public activities,
- Final technical documents of the former RVAAP restoration activities,
- Links to other relevant sites, and
- A point of contact informational page.

#### **4.6 Information Packets and Fact Sheets**

Information packets will be prepared to distribute at RAB meetings, public meetings, and facility tours. The packets will include Public Notices, fact sheets and points of contact.

Comprehensive fact sheets will be developed as needed to easily convey information regarding the RVAAP restoration program. These are prepared on a specific topic and include facts supporting the topic. It is written in brief (usually no more than two pages) and provides concise information in simple terms. These can be distributed at RAB meetings, used in media kits, and posted on the website.

#### **4.7 Public Notices**

Currently, public notices are sent to local media outlets to announce RAB/public meetings, facility tours and other important environmental activities at the facility. An example of a public notice is presented in Appendix I.

##### **4.7.1 Media Kit**

A media kit will be prepared to distribute information to the media at a press conference, tour or prior to an event. This tool helps to provide accurate and current information about the specific activity being publicized. The media kit is a folder that should contain the following components:

- Public Notices or Media Advisory - The public notice outlines the major event, background information on the RVAAP restoration program and lists a contact person. The media advisory addresses very briefly the who, what, when, where, why of the event and a contact person to reach for more information.
- Fact Sheets – As described in Section 4.6 above.
- Maps and Photographs - Maps and photographs may be included in the media kit. If digital photographs are used, they would be of high quality or resolution and burned onto media disk(s) (CD or DVD). A map would be useful in identifying specific areas of concern or where the event will be held.
- Brochures - Brochures may be produced to address specific issues or to provide general information about the RVAAP restoration program.
- Business Cards - Business cards containing the facility, restoration program and OHARNG Public Affairs Office contact information for the media.
- Media Spokesperson and Point of Contact for ARNG/OHARNG:
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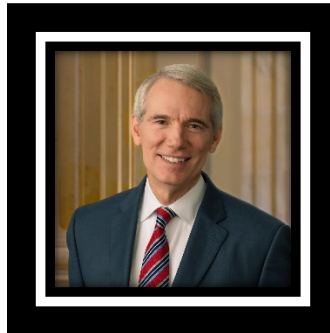
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## APPENDIX – A Government Officials

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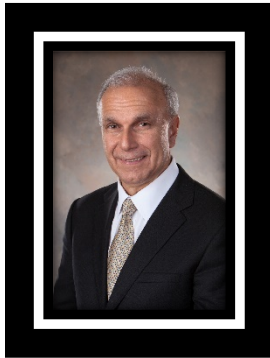


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(614) 644-4357

<https://governor.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/governor/contact>

## Ohio State Senators



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## Ohio State Legislators



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77 S. High St.  
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**Rep. Gail Pavliga**  
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77 S. High St.  
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Columbus, Ohio 43215  
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## Ohio State Legislators, cont.



**Rep. Diane Grendel**

District 76 (R)  
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13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215  
(614) 644-5088

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Portage County Administration Bldg.  
449 South Meridian Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266-2914  
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(330) 297-3610 (fax)

## Portage County Commissioners

Vicki A. Kline – Board Member  
(330) 297-3600  
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Sabrina Christian-Bennett – President  
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Anthony Badalamenti – Vice President  
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## Ravenna City Officials

City Council  
210 Park Way  
P.O. Box 1215  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
P: (330) 297-2155  
F: (330) 297.2164

[chelsea.gregor@ravennaoh.gov](mailto:chelsea.gregor@ravennaoh.gov)

Mayor Frank Seman  
210 Park Way  
P.O. Box 1215  
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P: (330) 296-3864  
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### City Council Members

Council President: Andrew Kluge  
Ward 1 Representative: Paul Moskun  
Ward 2 Representative: Rob Kairis  
Ward 3 Representative: Matt Harper  
Ward 4 Representative: Tim Calfe  
At Large Representative: Amy Michael  
At Large Representative: Christina West  
At Large Representative: Cheryl Wood  
Council Clerk: Chelsea Gregor

### Phone Number

(330) 842-7234  
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(330) 607-1391  
(330) 472-0189  
(330) 298-1339  
(330) 931-1434  
(330) 540-5959  
(330) 322-4408  
(330) 297-2155

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[chelsea.gregor@ravennaoh.gov](mailto:chelsea.gregor@ravennaoh.gov)

## Trumbull County Officials

Trumbull County Administration Building  
160 High Street NW, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Warren, Ohio 44481  
Phone: (330) 675-2451  
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## Trumbull County Commissioners

Niki Frenchko  
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## City of Newton Falls Officials

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Newton Falls City Hall  
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Newton Falls, Ohio 44444  
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[kkline@newtonfallsoh.gov](mailto:kkline@newtonfallsoh.gov)

### City Council Members

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Ward 2 Representative: John Baryak	(330) 872-1370	<a href="mailto:nfcounciljbaryak@gmail.com">nfcounciljbaryak@gmail.com</a>
Ward 3 Representative: Tesa Spletzer		<a href="mailto:tspletzer@newtonfallsoh.gov">tspletzer@newtonfallsoh.gov</a>
Ward 4 Representative: Sandra Breymaier	(330) 406-6844	<a href="mailto:sbreymaier@newtonfallsoh.gov">sbreymaier@newtonfallsoh.gov</a>
At-Large Representative: Tarry Alberini	(330) 872-0263	<a href="mailto:nfcounciltalberini@gmail.com">nfcounciltalberini@gmail.com</a>

## APPENDIX – B

### Army and Regulatory Agencies

#### ARNG/OHARNG Contacts

**Ohio Army National Guard  
Camp James A. Garfield Garrison Commander  
and Army Co-chairman:**

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Camp James A. Garfield  
Post Headquarters, Building 1000  
8451 State Route 5  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
(614) 336-4978  
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**RVAAP Restoration Program Manager:**

**Kevin Sedlak**  
Army National Guard Directorate  
ARNG-IED  
1438 State Route 534, SW  
Newton Falls, OH 44444  
614-336-6000 ext. 2053  
Email: [kevin.m.sedlak.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:kevin.m.sedlak.ctr@mail.mil)

**OHARNG Restoration Program Manager:**

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Ohio Army National Guard  
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614-336-6000 ext. 6136  
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#### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Contacts

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
Louisville District:**

**Steve Kvaal, PMP**  
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600 Dr. Martin Luther King Place  
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Louisville, Kentucky 40202  
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**Ohio Environmental Protection Agency - NE District:**

**Kevin Palombo, RAB Representative**  
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## APPENDIX – C

### Restoration Advisory Board Members

#### Restoration Advisory Board

##### Administrative Officer:

**Ms. Rebecca Shreffler**  
**Camp James A. Garfield/Former RVAAP**  
1438 State Route 534 SW  
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444  
(330) 872-4411  
(330) 872-4412 (fax)  
Email: [rebecca.shreffler@chenega.com](mailto:rebecca.shreffler@chenega.com)

The following individuals comprise the RAB Member List:

Dr. Jay Abercrombie  
Mr. Vito Abruzzino  
Mr. Joseph Beutler  
Ms. Rebecca Carter  
Ms. Irene Glavies-Lutz  
Mr. William Irons  
Mr. Don Jones  
Ms. Sarah Lock, Community Co-chair  
Mr. Roy Martin  
Mr. James Mayer  
Mr. Brian Miller  
Ms. Eileen Mohr  
Mr. Kevin Palombo  
MAJ Shuan Robinson, Army Co-chair  
Ms. Rebecca Rood  
Mr. Ed Samec  
Mr. Ryan Shackelford  
M/M Dan & Dorene Spicer  
Mr. Bill Steiner  
Mr. Thomas Tadsen  
Ms. Nancy Taylor  
Mr. Delbert Woloski

## APPENDIX – D Media List

### Newspapers

**Akron Beacon Journal**

388 S. Main Street, Suite 700  
Akron, Ohio 44311  
(330) 996-3000  
<https://www.beaconjournal.com/contact>

**Cleveland Plain Dealer**

4800 Tiedeman Road  
Brooklyn, Ohio 44144  
(216) 999-5000  
<https://www.cleveland.com>

**Tribune Chronicle**

240 Franklin St, SE  
Warren, Ohio 44483  
(330) 841-1600  
(330) 841-1738 (Newsroom)  
<https://www.tribtoday.com>

**Akron Legal News Inc.**

60 S. Summit Street  
Akron, Ohio 44308  
(330) 376-0917  
(330) 376-7001 Fax  
[www.akronlegalnews.com](http://www.akronlegalnews.com)

**Record-Courier**

1050 W. Main St.  
Kent, Ohio 44240  
(330) 296-8414  
<https://www.record-courier.com>

**The Business Journal**

25 E. Boardman St., Suite 306  
Youngstown, Ohio 44501  
(330) 744-5023  
(330) 744-5838 (fax)  
<http://businessjournaldaily.com/>

## TV Stations

### **WBNX-WB**

2690 State Road  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223  
(330) 922-5500  
(330) 929-2410 (fax)

### **WEAO/WNEO**

**(Western Reserve Public Media)**  
1750 W. Campus Center Drive  
Kent, Ohio 44240-3820  
(330) 677-4549  
(330) 678-0688 (fax)

### **WEWS TV ABC News Channel 5**

3001 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115  
(216) 431-5555

### **WFMJ**

101 W. Boardman Street  
Youngstown, Ohio 44503  
(330) 744-8821

### **WKYC-NBC**

1333 Lakeside Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114  
(216) 344-3333

### **WOIO-CBS**

1717 E. 12<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114  
(216) 367-1943

### **WVIZ PBS**

1375 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115-1835  
(216) 916-6100, ext. 7144

### **WYTV/WKBN**

3930 Sunset Boulevard  
Youngstown, Ohio 44512  
(330) 782-1144  
(330) 782-3504 (fax)

## Radio

### **WAKR – 1590 AM**

1795 W. Market Street  
Akron, OH 44313  
(330) 869-9800

### **WTAM-Newsradio 1100**

6200 Oak Tree Boulevard, Suite 400  
Independence, Ohio 44131  
(216) 520-2600

### **WNIR-100 FM**

2449 State Route 5  
Kent, Ohio 44240  
(330) 673-2323  
(330) 673-0301 (fax)

### **WHK – News Talk 1420**

4 Summit Park Drive, Suite 150  
Independence, OH 44131  
(216) 525-1797

## **APPENDIX – E**

### **Meeting Locations**

The Restoration Advisory Board meetings are held approximately two (2) times per year, typically on the third Wednesday of the selected meeting month from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The meeting place is generally rotated between the four area Township Halls and the Village of Newton Falls Community Center. Meetings can also be held virtually by video teleconferencing.

#### **Paris Township**

Shearer Community Center  
9355 Newton Falls Road  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
(330) 358-2600  
Dorene Spicer (330) 358-2308

#### **Freedom Township Hall**

Town Hall – Triangle of Routes 700, 303 & 88  
Windham, Ohio 44288  
(330) 527-4094  
John Zizka, Trustee

#### **Windham Town Hall**

9011 North Main Street  
Windham, Ohio 44288  
(330) 326-2622, ext. 222  
(330) 326-2645 (fax)  
Elizabeth Derthick

#### **Charlestown Town Hall**

6735 Rock Spring Road  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
(330) 307-8527  
Linda DeHaven

#### **Newton Falls Community Center**

52 East Quarry Street  
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444  
(330) 872-5261

## **APPENDIX – F Repositories and Administrative Records**

### **Repositories Locations**

**Reed Memorial Public Library**

167 East Main Street  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
(330) 296-2827

**Newton Falls Public Library**

204 S. Canal Street  
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444  
(330) 872-1282

### **Administrative Records File Location**

The Administrative Record File is located at Camp James A. Garfield which is a controlled access facility. Access to the Administrative Record File can be obtained with prior notification and arrangement.

**Camp James A. Garfield**

Environmental Office  
1438 State Route 534, SW  
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444  
(614) 336-6136

## APPENDIX – G

### Telephone Interview Questionnaire

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Interviewee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Affiliation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Interviewer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Script:** Hello. I am calling on behalf of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Would you have a few minutes to talk with me?

The Corps wants to understand what concerns or questions as you, a public stakeholder, would want to know about the environmental remediation efforts at the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant, and how as the public would you like to get this information?

May I ask you a few questions, so your opinions and any questions you may have can be included as they plan for this effort? I expect this to take us about 15 minutes.

(If this is not convenient, is there a time that you would like for me to call you back? Or we can meet personally if you would prefer that.)

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1. How long have you lived in the area?
    - 1a. What names do local people often use to refer to the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant?
    - 1b. Are you familiar with the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant?
    - 1c. How did you first learn about the site?
  2. Have you ever spoken with the Corps of Engineers, any state, or environmental officials about the restoration activities at the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant? If yes, did they contact you or did you contact them? What was the nature of the contact and were you satisfied with their information?
  3. Are you aware that the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant site is involved in environmental restoration activities? If yes, what do you know about those activities?

4. Do you have any interests or concerns about the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant site remediation activities?

5. Are you aware of any interests or concerns that any of your neighbors or friends may have about the site? If so, what are they?

6. Do you know where information about environmental restoration activities at the former Ravenna Army Ammunition site can be obtained? If yes, where?

7. Have you received any information about the environmental restoration activities at the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant site? If yes, how did you receive it? Are you satisfied with the information?

8. Would you like to be added to the mailing list to receive newsletters and other general information about the proposed plans? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

9. How do you as the public receive information about local events and news (i.e. radio, television, newspaper, other and what particular stations or papers)?

10. What method and frequency of information would you prefer?

<b>Method</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Mail _____	_____
Telephone _____	_____
Newspaper _____	_____
Radio _____	_____
Television _____	_____
Email _____	_____
Website _____	_____
Local Information Repository _____	Suggested Location: _____
Public Hotline _____	
Other _____	



11. Would you be interested in attending a meeting about the environmental restoration activities at the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant site? If yes, what days and times are convenient for you? Are there certain Public locations (buildings or meeting rooms) that you would recommend public meetings be held?

12. Do you have a particular meeting style you prefer? (Probes: discussions, formal presentations followed by Q&A's, informal, open house, workshops, small groups, and coffees)

13. Is there anyone else you think we should interview concerning the site? May we use your name? (Get names and phone numbers)

14. Is there anything else about the former Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant site that you would like to comment on?

Thank you for your time. Your information will be used as the Army plans their public involvement activities.

**APPENDIX – H**  
**RAVENNA ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT**  
**RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD INTEREST SURVEY**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone: (daytime) (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening) (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_**

Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) members are expected to serve a two-year term and attend all RAB meetings. Duties and responsibilities will include reviewing and commenting on technical documents and activities associated with the environmental restoration program at Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant. Members will be expected to be available to the community members and groups they represent to facilitate the exchange of information and/or concerns between the community and the RAB. Participation in the RAB is voluntary, and members will not be financially compensated. Members will be selected by a selection panel and will be chosen to represent the diverse interests of the community.

Those who do not serve directly on the RAB can still participate in RAB activities. Interested members of the community will be included on the mailing list and invited to attend all RAB meetings, which are open to the public. Technical documents reviewed by the RAB will be made available to the public through the information repositories. The public will be able to comment on the technical documents either in writing to the installation or at the RAB meetings during a time set aside for public comments and inputs.

1. Do you have any specific environmental interests or concerns about the Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant? If so, please describe:

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2. Why would you like to be considered for RAB membership?

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3. Please describe your experience working as a member of a diverse group with common goals.

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4. What is your background/experience/education regarding environmental issues?

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5. The Community Co-chairperson will be selected by the public members of the RAB. Please indicate whether or not you are interested in being considered for the Community Co – Chairperson Position by checking the box below and explain why.

Yes, I would like to be considered for the Community Co – Chairperson Position.

Briefly explain why:

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6. By submitting this signed application, you:

- Are aware that being a RAB member involves a set time commitment;
- Understand that being a RAB member entails a willingness to work cooperatively with other RAB members to ensure the efficient and effective use of RAB time;
- Understand that serving on the RAB will be voluntary and RAB members will not receive compensation for their service;
- Understand the following Privacy Act information and how it applies to providing your name, address, and telephone number for this survey;

#### ***PRIVACY ACT NOTICE***

Authority 10 U.S. code (USC) – 2705 © (USC)-42 U.S.C.-9620(f), State and local participation in cleanup of federal facilities. Principal Purpose: To identify members of the local community who are interested in participation in the RAB. Routine Uses: The requested information will be used to develop a list of interested persons from which the community members of the RAB will be selected. The information will also be used by the Army to contact the individuals who are selected. Disclosure of the requested information is voluntary. Failure to provide all the requested information may prevent selection to the RAB.

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**Applicant Signature**

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**Date**

Completed surveys should be mailed to:

Rebecca Shreffler  
Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center  
1438 State Route 534 SW  
Newton Falls, OH 44444

Please contact Rebecca Shreffler at (330) 872-4411 or  
[rebecca.shreffler@chenega.com](mailto:rebecca.shreffler@chenega.com) for more information about the RAB or  
submitting a membership survey.

## **APPENDIX – I**

### **Example of a Public Notice**

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

##### **RVAAP Restoration Program Restoration Advisory Board Meeting**

Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting to be held November 7, 2018  
for the Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant (RVAAP) Restoration Program

**Ravenna-** A Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting for the RVAAP Restoration Program will be held on November 7, 2018. The meeting will be held at the Charlestown Township Hall, 6375 Rock Springs Road, Ravenna Ohio 44266 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public. Topics to be discussed include an Update on Monitoring Well Installation, Sampling Activities at CC RVAAP-69 Former Building 1048, and the Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center name change. For more information, please visit the RVAAP Restoration Program website ([www.rvaap.org](http://www.rvaap.org)) or call Katie Tait at 614-336- 6136.

## APPENDIX – J Public Comment Form

### Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant Restoration Program Comment / Questionnaire Card

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

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