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ANNISTON CHEMICAL ACTIVITY | December 10, 2009

ANCA stores, moves munitions

Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) employees, like those here, have safely moved more than 434,300 nerve agent-filled and mustard agent-filled munitions to the Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility for safe, permitted disposal. (Abrams)

Employees have emptied 106 igloos
Anniston stockpile reduced by 65 percent

Key Messages

- The Anniston chemical munition stockpile is safely stored and maintained by the employees of the Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) under the command of Lt.Col. Andrew M. Herbst.
- Disposal is safer than indefinite storage.
- Since 1990, more than 18,910 tons of chemicals and more than 2,256,900 munitions have been safely incinerated at U.S. Army facilities.
- The U.S. Army *IS* committed to the safety of the community and the environment.

Program information office centrally located
Public has easy access to Activity, Agency

A hallmark of the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency (CMA) and the safe storage and disposal of chemical munitions is a proactive public outreach campaign. In Anniston, the Information Center is located at the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce. The public is invited to stop by (1330 Quintard Avenue) or call (256) 238-0120 for information and answers. *(Abrams)*

Anniston Milestones

- July 2, 2009: The third, and final, chemical agent-filled munition disposal campaign at the ANCDF begins with 4.2-inch mustard mortars. To date, *69,393* mortars, and *34,072* mustard gallons, have been safely demilitarized.
- July 23, 2006 ~ December 24, 2008: All *219,374* VX agent munitions and *196,925* gallons of VX nerve agent are safely demilitarized by ANCDF employees.
- August 9, 2003 ~ March 2, 2006: All *142,428* GB munitions and *96,078* gallons of GB nerve agent safely demilitarized.
- 1997 ~ 2003: Westinghouse Anniston constructs and tests the ANCDF.
- 1997: U.S. ratifies weapons treaty.
- 1963: Anniston Army Depot begins chemical munitions storage mission.

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