



Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center Restoration Advisory Board Fact Sheet

The Army National Guard (ARNG) is currently performing environmental investigations related to per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) at Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center (JMTC). The ARNG strongly encourages local community involvement during environmental activities at its facilities and is now establishing a Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) for Camp Grayling JMTC.

Background

Preliminary Assessments (PAs) and Site Inspections (SIs) are being performed at ARNG facilities impacted by perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) and perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) nationwide. The ARNG is assessing potential effects on human health related to processes at facilities that used PFAS (a suite of related chemicals), primarily in the form of aqueous film forming foam released during firefighting activities or training, although other PFAS sources are possible. In addition, the ARNG is assessing businesses or operations adjacent to its facilities (not under the control of ARNG) that could potentially be contributors to a PFAS release.

At Camp Grayling JMTC, the ARNG is pursuing PFAS environmental studies as part of the Department of Defense's Installation Restoration Program (IRP).

What is a RAB?

A RAB is an advisory group which meets on a regular basis to discuss environmental assessment and restoration activities. The community can become involved as RAB members or by attending RAB meetings.

Why join a RAB?

The RAB enables local residents interested in the Camp Grayling JMTC activities to share their questions, concerns, and ideas, and exchange information with representatives of regulatory agencies, Camp Grayling JMTC, and the community. RABs offer community members the opportunity to provide input to Camp Grayling JMTC decision makers.

Who will be the RAB members?

The RAB will include members from the local community, representatives from Camp Grayling JMTC, and state and local environmental oversight agencies. The RAB will strive to include residents who reflect the diverse interests of the local community.





What are the RAB Community Member Responsibilities?

RAB members will be asked to attend RAB meetings regularly and comment on plans relating to the ongoing environmental studies and restoration activities at Camp Grayling JMTC. Members will be expected to serve as voluntary liaisons to the community for a one- to two-year term.

Who can participate in a RAB?

To qualify as a Community Member, you should be a resident of the Grayling area who is impacted by activities at Camp Grayling because you live and/ or work nearby. In addition, RAB meetings are open to the public, so anyone interested in restoration activities may attend RAB meetings, even if they are not member of the RAB.

Do I need environmental restoration experience to serve as a RAB Community Member?

No environmental restoration experience is required. Training is provided to help explain environmental restoration processes and site-specific issues. The important factors are a potential member's interest in the community and environment, and their commitment to dedicate time. The RAB selection panel will place more emphasis on the diversity that a person would bring to the RAB and their expressed commitment toward achieving the RAB's goals, than experience.

How do I become a RAB Member?

Community members interested in finding out more about the Camp Grayling JMTC RAB are invited to a RAB Informational Meeting on June 5, 2019, 6:30-8:30 p.m. At the meeting, you will learn about the purpose of the RAB, membership opportunities and responsibilities, and the current environmental activities at Camp Grayling JMTC.

Community Member Interest Forms will be available at the informational meeting.

RAB Informational Meeting Details:

June 5th, 2019
6:30 PM -8:30 PM
Community Room
Kirtland Community College- Grayling Campus
4800 W 4 Mile Road
Grayling, MI 49738
989-275-5000

If you have questions about the RAB, are interested in applying to serve as a RAB Community Member, or would like a **Community Member Interest Form** in advance of the meeting, please contact:

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