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## **Demolition scheduled on former Pinecastle Jeep Range**

Jacksonville, Fla. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District announced today that several more World War II-era munitions have been recovered on the former Pinecastle Jeep Range site, a formerly used defense site in Orlando.

The munitions, four 2.36-inch rockets, were recovered in the conservation area located between Tivoli Gardens and Odyssey Middle School. Removal by detonation, similar to demolitions that have taken place in the past several months, will occur on Thursday, July 17 between 1 and 4 p.m., weather permitting. Engineering controls will be used to ensure safety and limit the noise and debris from the blast. This removal action poses no danger to people in the area.

Safety is always the Corps' top priority. Should anyone encounter or suspect they have encountered munitions, it is vitally important that they follow the simple "3 Rs" of explosives safety: **Recognize** the item may be dangerous; **Retreat** and do not touch it; **Report** its location to the local Sheriff's Office immediately.

On behalf of the Department of Defense, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers cleans up sites that were formerly used by the military. In 1943, the U.S. government leased 12,483 acres of land in Orlando (Orange County) as an off-post site of the Pinecastle Army Airfield, for use as a gunnery and demonstration range. The site was declared surplus property and all leases were terminated by December 1947.



For more information about the former Pinecastle Jeep Range, please visit our Web site at [www.saj.usace.army.mil](http://www.saj.usace.army.mil) and click on the Pinecastle Jeep Range link, or contact the Corporate Communication Office at 904-232-1576 or 1-800-291-9413.

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