## **ASR SUPPLEMENT**

**INSTALLATION NAME: MILL COVE BOMBING SITE** 

**FFID:** FL9799F7200

**FUDS PROPERTY NUMBER:** 104FL0377

**TOTAL PROPERTY ACREAGE: 160** 

**MSC:** South Atlantic Division - 41506

ORANGE PARK, FL 32073

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# **DOES THE INSTALLATION HAVE ANY A/I RANGES?** NO

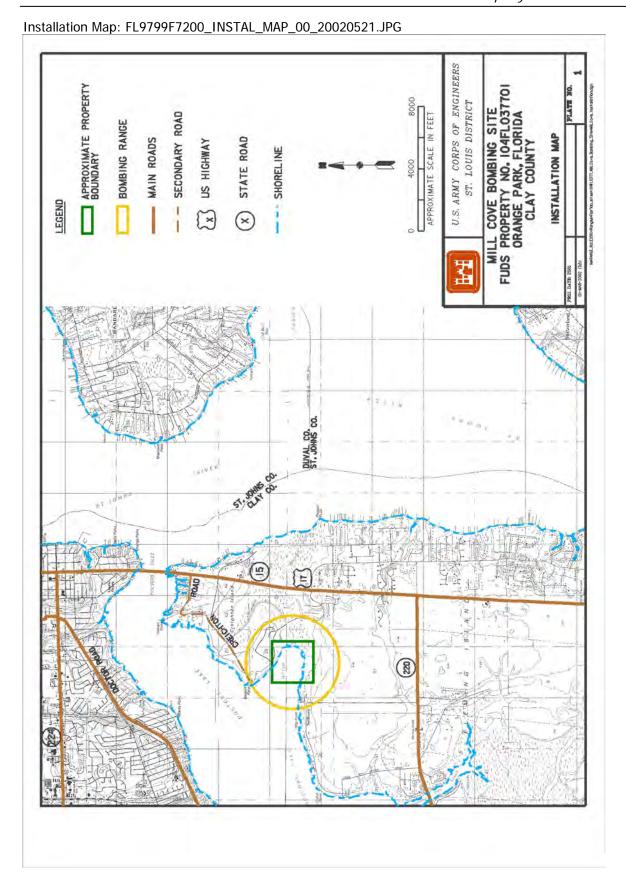
#### **DOES THE INSTALLATION HAVE ANY CTT RANGES?** YES

TYPES OF MUNITIONS USED ON THIS INSTALLATION: Conventional

**INFORMATION IN THIS SUPPLEMENT WAS GATHERED FROM THE: ASR** 

MMR AREA SUMMARY						
<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>PLATE</b>				<b>AARS</b>	RMIS
No.	No.	RANGE NAME	SUB-RANGE NAME	<b>A</b> CREAGE	AOC	RANGE ID
01	R01	Bombing Range		649	Α	I04FL037701R01

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# **INSTALLATION NAME**

MILL COVE BOMBING SITE ORANGE PARK, FL

# **FUDS PROJECT**

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MILL COVE BOMBING SITE FUDS Property Number: 104FL0377

**PROJECT COMMENTS:** The Mill Cove Bombing Site is located in Section 29, Township 4 South, Range 26 East, about four miles south of the town of Orange Park in Clay County, Florida.

The Mill Cove Bombing Site was obtained by order of the Secretary of War in 1941 for use by the Jacksonville Naval Air Station. A bombing target was constructed in Mill Cove, which is located in Doctors Lake, for Naval Air Advance Training Command.

The Navy utilized this site for practice strafing and bombing operations associated with Jacksonville Naval Air Station. The target was composed of a pyramid shaped raft of palmetto logs, painted yellow. Caliber .50 ammunition was used in strafing runs. Practice bombs included the Mk 23 miniature Practice Bomb and the Mk 15, 100-pound practice bomb (water-filled).

The dropping of practice bombs continued until either late 1945 or early 1946.

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MMR AREA NAME: Bombing Range

**RMIS Range ID:** 104FL037701R01

**HISTORIC USE:** 

HISTORIC USE START YEAR END YEAR COMMENTS

BOMBING 1941 1946 N/A

**CURRENT USE:** 

CURRENT USE START YEAR COMMENTS

Recreational 1946 N/A Residential - Single Family 1946 N/A Undeveloped 1946 N/A

**ACREAGE:** 

Land: 519.75
Tidal Water: 0
Inland Water: 129.25
Total: 649
Tidal Water with Public Exposure Pathway: No

**MMR ACREAGE:** 

Identified: 0 Suspected: 649 Not Suspected: 0

**RISK ASSESSMENT CODE:** 

Hazard Severity: III
Hazard Probability: C
RAC Score: 4

**CLASSIFICATION(S):** 

**Training** 

RANGE / NON-RANGE: Range

**LAND USE RESTRICTIONS: Unrestricted Public Access** 

**CONSTRUCTION DATE: (YYYYMMDD)** 19410101

THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF MUNITIONS WERE USED ON THIS RANGE:

Conventional

**DESCRIPTION:** The practice-bombing target was located in Doctors Lake and composed of a pyramid shaped raft of palmetto logs, painted yellow.

**COMMENTS:** Jacksonville Naval Air Station utilized practice bombs at this site. Private residences and docks in a secured community currently surround Doctors Lake. Dense marshland on the eastern side of the cove prohibits access. No evidence of ammunition or other evidence was every discovered by the local residents.

Although OE will be concentrated around the target, evidence of bombing is almost always found beyond the scoring arcs. OE debris is typically found throughout the entire property and occasionally beyond the property boundaries. The range cell area was calculated to extend beyond the target center 3000 feet, for a total of 649 acres. Many factors, all of which are unknown, such as altitude and flight speed, affect targeting accuracy. From studies completed in WWII, 99 percent of the bombs should be found within 3,000 feet for bombers flying at 25,000 feet or below and at speeds up to 250 mph. The same study implied a 2,000-foot radius should include 95 percent of the bombs under the same conditions.

# HAVE THERE BEEN ANY DOCUMENTED INCIDENTS ON THIS RANGE? No

#### **RANGE MUNITIONS:**

MUNITIONS ID	MUNITIONS	USED START DATE	USED END DATE
SMALL ARMS(CTT01)	Small Arms, General	194101	194601
BOMBS,	AN-Mk 5, AN-Mk 23, AN-Mk	194101	194601
PRACTICE(CTT10)	43, Prac		
BOMBS,	Mk 15 series, Practice Bomb,	194101	194601
PRACTICE(CTT10)	100 lbs		
BOMBS,	Signal, Practice Bomb, Mk 6	194101	194601
PRACTICE(CTT10)			
BOMBS,	Signal, Practice Bomb, Mk 7	194101	194601
PRACTICE(CTT10)			
BOMBS,	Signal, Practice Bomb, Mk 5	194101	194601
PRACTICE(CTT10)			
BOMBS,	Signal, Practice Bomb, Mk 4	194101	194601
PRACTICE(CTT10)			

# **RANGE LAND ACCESS AND RESTRICTIONS:**

RESTRICTION TYPERESTRICTIONDESCRIPTIONAOTHER (Must Describe)No controls.

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# OTHER (Must Describe) No known Land Use Restrictions

### **RANGE OWNERS:**

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OWNER TYPE	OWNER DESCRIPTION	LEASE	LEASE TERMINATION	REVOCATION OF LAND
S	The State of Florida owns the water			NO
	portion of Mill Cove in Doctors Lake			
Р	This land is part of the Pace Island			NO
	Development that consists of homes,			
	recreation areas and a wildlife			
	conservation area.			
0	The land portion is partially controlled			NO
	by various private owners. This land			
	is part of the Pace Island			
	Development that consists of homes,			
	recreation areas and a wildlife			
	conservation area.			

### **RANGE DEMOGRAPHICS:**

TYPE	NAME	STATE	COUNTRY
CT	Orange Park	FL	UNITED STATES
CO	Clay	FL	UNITED STATES

**SOIL TYPE:** SAND/GRAVEL SAND

**TOPOGRAPHY: WATER** 

**VEGETATION: BARREN OR LOW GRASS** 

### **GROUNDWATER**

AVG DEPTH (IN FEET) 3

DRINKING WATER SUPPLY

RANGE CONTAMINATION FROM RESIDUE OF MUNITIONS

UNKNOWN

### **COORDINATES:**

DATUM:NAD83UTM X: (meters)430725.18UTM Y: (meters)3332760.06UTM ZONE:17Latitude:30° 7' 26" 0Longitude:81° 43' 8" 0

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