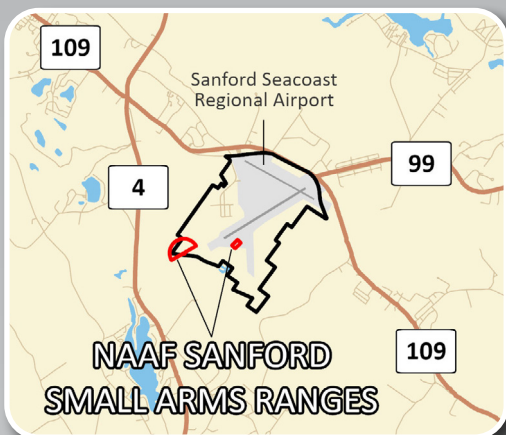


Information Guide

Former Naval Auxiliary Air Facility Sanford

**Maine
York County**



NAAF Sanford Small Arms Ranges



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Introduction

The purpose of this guide is to provide information about the military training activities that took place at the former Naval Auxiliary Air Facility Sanford and to raise awareness of the hazards that may exist at the property.

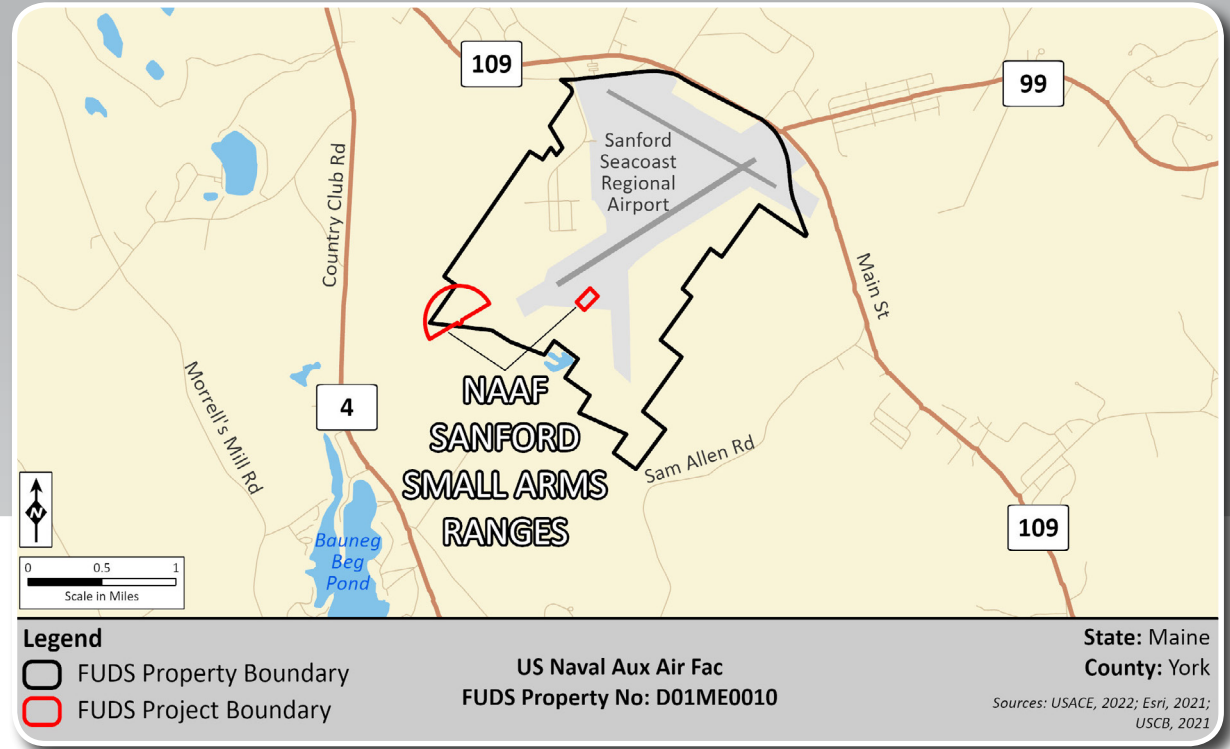
The former Naval Auxiliary Air Facility Sanford was used from 1943 to 1946 by the U.S. Navy as an anti-submarine patrol base; a service location for aircraft carrier squadrons; to support combat carrier air groups training in night fighting procedures, tactics and techniques; and as a satellite airfield to the former Naval Air Station Brunswick. Two areas of the former Naval Auxiliary Air Facility Sanford, known as NAAF Sanford Small Arms Ranges, have been identified through historical research and site visits as having been used for small arms training. The munitions known or suspected to have been used at the ranges are small arms ammunition. Hazards associated with small arms ammunition may still remain on the property.

The NAAF Sanford Small Arms Ranges is located within the city of Sanford, in York County, Maine. The land is publicly and privately owned. The publicly owned land is primarily used as the Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport.



Source: National Archives and Records Administration, Boston

Aerial view of the former Naval Air Station Brunswick, 1944



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Do small arms ranges present a health risk?

A: Lead fragments, both large and small, can be present in berms at small arms ranges. Lead may be harmful if there is repeated ingestion or repeated contact with skin. Because lead in the fragments presents a potential health hazard, the fragments should not be touched, moved, piled or disturbed in any way. The best thing to do is leave them alone.

Q: What should I do if I come into contact with lead fragments?

A: If you have walked through lead fragments, rinse off and remove your shoes before entering your home. If your hands and clothes have come into contact with lead fragments, wash your hands and clothes.

Q: What are the findings of the work that the government has completed?

A: Historical research and site inspections indicate that from 1943 to 1946, the U.S. military used small arms ammunition at these ranges, and potential hazards may remain on the property. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has determined that further investigation is required for the NAAF Sanford Small Arms Ranges.

Q: Where can I get more information?

A: For more information, call the Formerly Used Defense Sites Information Center toll-free number 1-855-765-FUDS (3837). Additional information can be found by searching on the property name, US Naval Aux Air Fac, in the GIS Tool that is available by clicking on the Interim Risk Management link at www.fuds.mil.



Small arms ammunition at the former Naval Auxiliary Air Facility Sanford



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For More Information



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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for identifying, investigating and, when necessary, conducting an appropriate response action to address contamination and military munitions resulting from past Department of Defense activities at Formerly Used Defense Sites, also referred to as FUDS.

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For general information about the FUDS Program, visit www.fuds.mil.