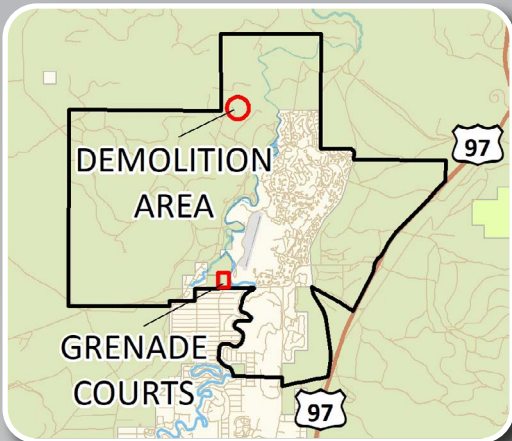


# 3Rs Safety Guide

## Former Camp Abbot

**Oregon**  
**Deschutes County**



**Demolition Area**  
**Grenade Courts**



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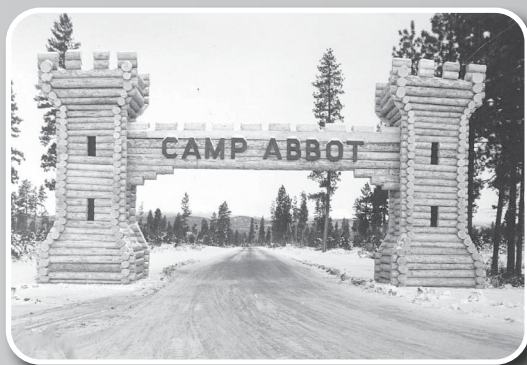
## Introduction

The purpose of this guide is to provide information about the military training activities that took place at the former Camp Abbot and to raise awareness of the explosive hazards that may exist at the property.

The former Camp Abbot was used between 1943 and 1944 by the U.S. Army as an Engineer Replacement Training Center that provided instruction in military construction and engineering, as well as basic military training. Several areas associated with the former Camp Abbot have been identified through historical research and site visits as having potential explosive hazards. These areas include the Demolition Area and Grenade Courts. The munitions known or suspected to have been used at these areas include grenades, practice grenades, bulk demolition materials, pyrotechnics and small arms ammunition.

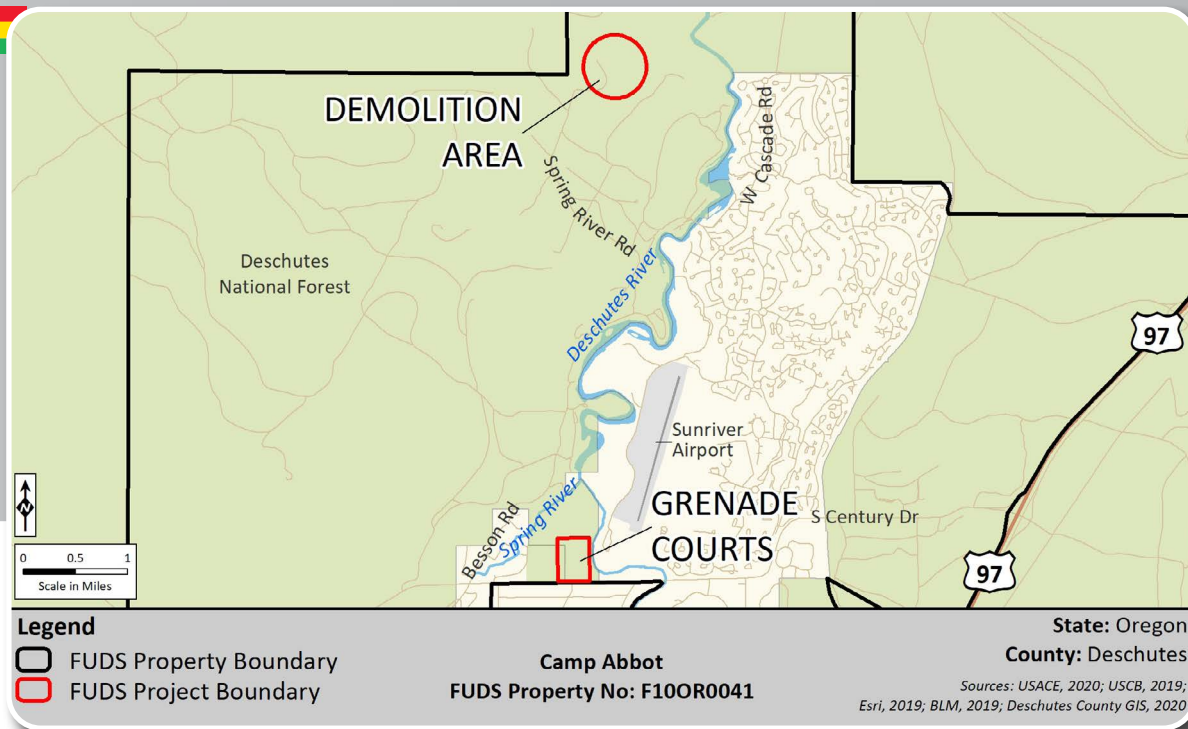
The Demolition Area is located approximately 1 mile north of Spring River Road, and the Grenade Courts area is located between Spring River and Deschutes River, in Deschutes County, Oregon. These areas are publicly owned as part of the Deschutes National Forest.

Because explosive hazards associated with military munitions from past military training may remain at the former Camp Abbot, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recommends that the landowner and visitors follow the **3Rs of Explosives Safety – Recognize, Retreat and Report.**



Source: Oregon Historical Society

Front entrance to the former Camp Abbot, 1942-43



## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q:** *What types of potential hazards exist?*

**A:** Military munitions, such as grenades, practice grenades, bulk demolition materials, pyrotechnics and small arms ammunition, are known or suspected to have been used at the former Camp Abbot. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is unable to rule out the presence of munitions that may pose an explosive hazard.

**Q:** *What do I do if I suspect I may have come across a military munition?*

**A:** If you suspect you may have come across a military munition, the best way to ensure your safety is to follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety: **R**ecognize – when you may have encountered a munition, and that munitions are dangerous; **R**etreat – do not approach, touch, move or disturb it, but carefully leave the area; and **R**eport – call **911** and advise the police of what you saw and where you saw it.

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

**A:** Based on historical research and site inspections, military munitions are known or suspected to have

been used at this camp, and some munitions may remain on the property. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has determined that further investigation is required at the former Camp Abbot.

**Q:** *What will be done next?*

**A:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will make explosives safety education material that is based on the 3Rs available to the landowner and the community. Additionally, it will coordinate with the landowner as it plans required response activities.

**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) or select the GIS Tool on the Interim Risk Management page at [www.fuds.mil](http://www.fuds.mil). Learn more about munitions and explosives safety at <https://3Rs.mil>.

## Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety

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when you may have encountered a munition, and that munitions are dangerous.

**R**etreat

do not approach, touch, move or disturb it, but carefully leave the area.

**R**eport

call **911** and advise the police of what you saw and where you saw it.



Example of a grenade

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### For More Information



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of Engineers.**

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

For information about the former Camp Abbot, contact the FUDS Information Center by calling the toll-free number 1-855-765-FUDS (3837). For general information about the FUDS Program, visit [www.fuds.mil](http://www.fuds.mil).

Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety



Visit the U.S. Army's Explosives Safety Education website:  
<https://3Rs.mil>