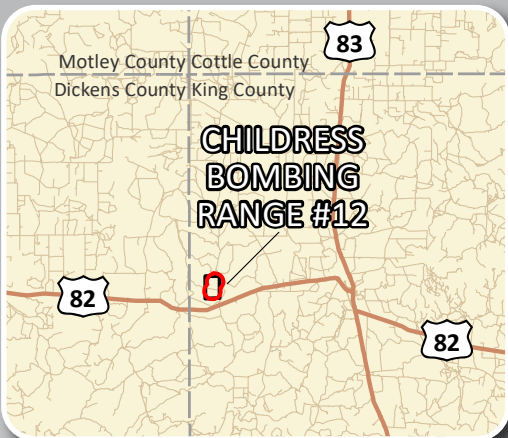


3Rs Safety Guide

Former Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12

**Texas
King County**



Childress Bombing Range #12



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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 Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12 and to raise awareness of the explosive hazards that may exist at the property.

The former Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12, also known as Bombing Range South 6, was used from 1943 to 1945 by U.S. Army Air Forces as a practice bombing range to train pilots and bombardiers stationed at the former Childress Army Air Field. An area associated with the former Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12, known as Childress Bombing Range #12, has been identified through historical research and site visits as having potential explosive hazards. The munitions known or suspected to have been used at the range include practice bombs with spotting charges.

The Childress Bombing Range #12 is located approximately 0.5 miles northwest of the intersection of County Road 111 and U.S. Highway 82, in King County, Texas. The land is privately owned and is used for ranching.

Because explosive hazards associated with military munitions from past military training may remain at the Childress Bombing Range #12, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recommends that the landowner and visitors follow the **3Rs of Explosives Safety – Recognize, Retreat and Report.**



Source: texashistory.unt.edu (crediting Childress County Heritage Museum)

Three Beach AT-11 Kansans from the former Childress Army Air Field flying in formation

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What types of potential hazards exist?

A: Military munitions, such as practice bombs with spotting charges, are known or suspected to have been used at the Childress Bombing Range #12. 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

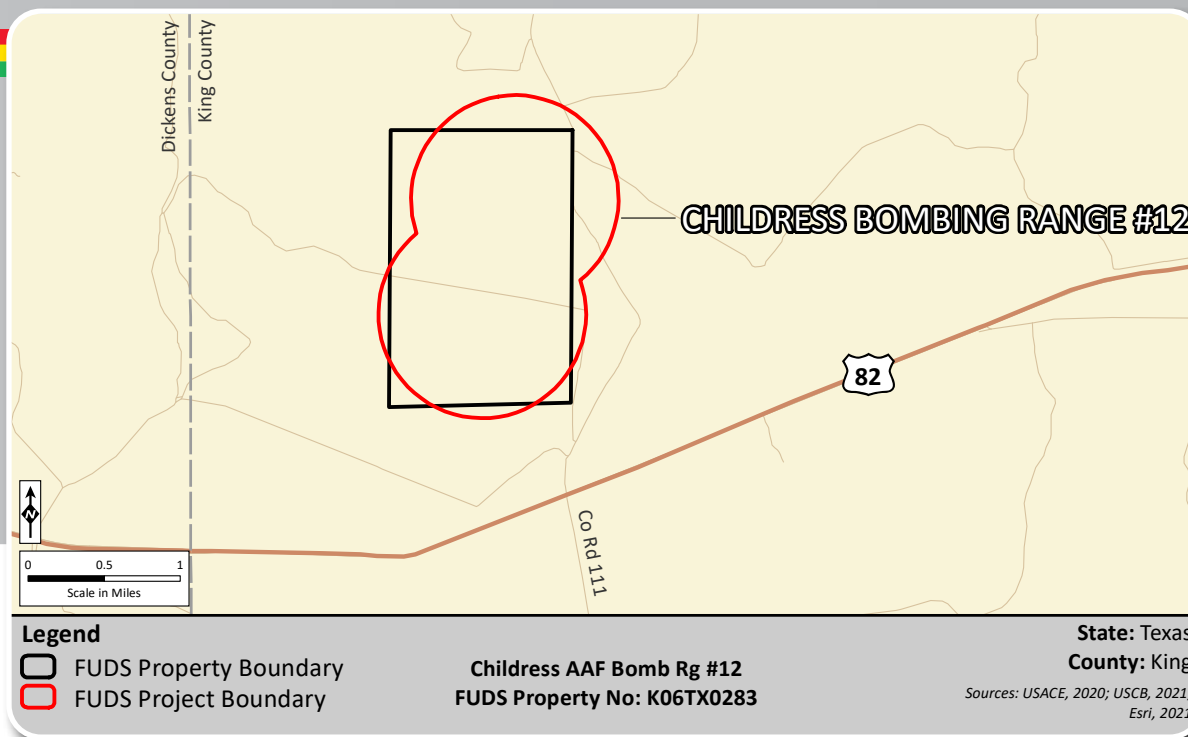
been used at this range, and some munitions may remain on the property. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has determined that further investigation is required for the Childress Bombing Range #12 at the former Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12.

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. Learn more about munitions and explosives safety at <https://3Rs.mil>.



Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety

Recognize

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

Retreat

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

Report

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



Practice bomb debris at the former Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12

Former Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12

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 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 Childress Army Air Field Bomb Range #12, 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.

Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety



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