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SUBJECT: Supplemental Guidance for Environmental Management System (EMS) Implementation on Army Installations Having Operational Training Ranges

1. References.

a. Memorandum from Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Environment, Safety and Occupational Health), "Army Environmental Management System – Action Memorandum" July 13, 2001.

b. Memorandum from Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3, "The U.S. Army Sustainable Range Program Plan," August 6, 2003.

2. This memorandum provides supplemental guidance to all Army CONUS and OCONUS EMS appropriate facilities that have training ranges.

3. As part of the installation's overall EMS implementation, installations are strongly encouraged to use the document, "*EMS Aspects and Impacts Methodology for Army Training Ranges,*" (Enclosure 1) as a tool to identify, evaluate, and prioritize the environmental aspects and impacts associated with training activities on their operational ranges. This document has been coordinated with and endorsed by HQDA, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff G-3, Directorate of Training. It ensures mission considerations are adequately factored into the evaluation of environmental aspects and impacts and are uniformly applied at all Army training ranges to support range sustainability in accordance with the Army's Sustainable Range Program Plan. As part of the installation's overall EMS, installations will consider significant environmental aspects when establishing objectives, targets, and management plans for training ranges.

4. Garrison Commanders should work with Senior Mission Commanders and their representatives in the execution of the aspects and impacts analysis for Army training ranges. The Garrison Commander should ensure that the Senior Mission Commander is afforded an opportunity to participate in the EMS Cross Functional Team. The Senior Mission Commander and his representative will be consulted to resolve any potential training restrictions that may be identified as an outcome of the EMS aspects and impacts analysis.

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5. We are aware that installations have already begun to implement their EMS and some have completed aspects and impacts analyses on their training ranges. We commend these installations for being proactive. These installations should use the "*EMS, Aspects and Impacts Methodology for Army Training Ranges*" to perform aspects and impacts analyses on their ranges when training operations change or when it is determined that the aspects and impacts analysis that has been conducted did not adequately consider or document mission impacts. Training operations should be reviewed at least annually, or when there is a change in mission requirements, which might affect the evaluation of the environmental aspects and impacts.

6. Installations that do not use "*EMS, Aspects and Impacts Methodology for Army Training Ranges*" must nevertheless use real property codes ("FCC" codes) to identify range activities, products and services to enable current and future consistency and interoperability of installation management systems. Use of the "*EMS, Aspects and Impacts Methodology for Army Training Ranges*" is strongly encouraged to obtain the comprehensive list of range aspects and impacts.

7. We request that installations forward their suggestions for improvements for performing aspects and impacts analyses of ranges. The points of contact for this action are Mr. George Cushman, ODEP, 703-601-1961, Gorge.cushman@hqda.army.mil, and Mr. Timothy Alexander, USAEC (SFIM-AEC), 410-436-1613, taalex@aec.apgea.army.mil.

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