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ANNISTON CHEMICAL ACTIVITY

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ANCA stores, moves munitions

Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) employees, like those here, have safely moved more than 374,000 nerve agent-filled and mustard agent-filled munitions to the Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility for safe, permitted disposal. (Abrams)

ANCDF operations have emptied 99 igloos
Anniston stockpile reduced by 55 percent

Key Messages

- The Anniston chemical munition stockpile is safely stored and maintained by the employees of the Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) under the command of Lt.Col. Andrew M. Herbst.
- Disposal is safer than indefinite storage.
- Since 1990, more than 17,420 tons of chemicals and more than 2,193,560 munitions have been safely incinerated at U.S. Army facilities.
- The U.S. Army *IS* committed to the safety of the community and the environment.

'Dragon' Soldiers tour ANCA, ANCDF, Depot
Fort Campbell Soldiers see chemical munitions

U.S. Army Chemical Corps (Dragon) Soldiers from the 101st Airborne Division, led by 1st Lt. Matthew S. Hacker (5th from left) visited Anniston Army Depot recently to see how Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) employees safely store chemical munitions and how Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (ANCDF) employees safely demilitarize them. Since safe disposal operations resumed in Anniston on July 2, 2009, more than 7,500 mortars have been demilitarized at the ANCDF. *(Abrams)*

Anniston Milestones

- July 2, 2009: The third, and final, chemical agent-filled munition disposal campaign at the ANCDF begins with 4.2-inch mustard mortars.
- July 23, 2006 ~ December 24, 2008: All 219,374 VX agent munitions and 196,925 gallons of VX nerve agent are safely demilitarized by ANCDF employees.
- August 9, 2003 ~ March 2, 2006: All 142,428 GB munitions and 96,078 gallons of GB nerve agent safely demilitarized.
- 1997 ~ 2003: Westinghouse Anniston constructs and tests the ANCDF.
- 1997: U.S. ratifies weapons treaty.
- 1963: Anniston Army Depot begins chemical munitions storage mission.

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