

timeframe to complete closures. Consequently, the installation should be realigned to the maximum extent possible in order to facilitate closure as soon as demilitarization is complete.

Moderate environmental problems are anticipated with the realignment of Pueblo Army Depot. Cleanup of hazardous wastes, asbestos, PCBs, underground storage tank problems, and contaminated sites will be required. Cleanup of these sites, is covered by the Defense Environmental Restoration Program. Cleanup is independent of the realignment. Major adverse environmental impacts are not expected at those facilities receiving activities resulting from this action since comparable activities are presently performed there.

The Commission recommends relocation of the following major missions:

-- The supply mission to Tooele Army Depot, Utah.

-- The ammunition mission to Red River Army Depot, Texas.

-- Approximately 75 civilians will remain at Pueblo to perform environmental monitoring of ammunition-storage igloos, munitions handling, munitions transport quality control activities, and security escort duties. Additionally, personnel will be needed to support the increased depot workload for such activities as storage site monitoring, laundry operations, and vehicle and road maintenance. CHEM DEMIL will be performed by contract augmentation.

Former Nike Site at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland

The Commission recommends the former Nike site at the northwestern edge of Aberdeen Proving Ground for closure. This property, consisting of approximately 100 acres, represents excess capacity to the Army and is not required for any current or future Army mission. The payback for this closure is immediate since there are no associated relocation or construction costs.

The land is licensed to the State of Maryland for the use of the Army National Guard and is used for training and support of the Field Operating Activity (FOA) of the National Guard Bureau. The FOA is relocating to new facilities to be completed in 1991. After the National Guard relocates there will be no requirement for this property. Significant environmental impacts are expected as a result of this closure. Closure and disposal of the Former Nike Site Area requires consideration of contamination sites, PCB transformers, and asbestos. Cleanup of these sites is covered by the Defense Environmental Restoration Program. Cleanup is independent of the closure.

The closure will have minimal impact on local employment.

Fort Meade, Maryland Fort Holabird, Maryland Fort Devens, Massachusetts

The Commission recommends the partial closure and realignment of Fort Meade and