



June 3, 2020

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
New England District
696 Virginia Road
Concord, MA 01742-2571
Attn: Ms. Penelope Reddy

**RE: Area 1 Preliminary Site Characterization Summary
Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Remedial Investigation
Former Fort Devens Army Installation, Devens, MA
Contract No. W912WJ-18-C-0011**

Dear Ms. Reddy,

KOMAN Government Solutions, LLC (KGS) is pleased to provide the subject Preliminary Site Characterization Summary (PSCS) for the Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (together, "PFAS") Remedial Investigation (RI) at the former Fort Devens Army Installation, Massachusetts. The PSCS presents a summary of site data following completion of the initial field sampling and analysis. The intent is to better understand and assess any potential data gaps remaining at the Areas of Contamination (AOCs), and to determine additional data gathering activities.

In order to expedite the field sampling activities, the RI was divided into three Areas. This PSCS presents a summary of the data that have been collected to date within Area 1, which includes AOC 57, AOC 74, AOC 75, and the Grove Pond wellfield area. Portions of RI Area 2 are also discussed herein, including the Patton water supply well area, and the Shabokin Water supply well area, AOC 40, and AOC 43J. Please note that the Army is also currently preparing addenda to this Area 1 PSCS that will present data summaries for the RI sampling effort at AOC 43G and the recent vertical profiling of PFAS in groundwater beneath Cold Spring Brook. Future PSCS documents will present data summaries for the remainder of Area 2 and Area 3.

A 45-day (July 19, 2020) stakeholder review of the Area 1 PSCS is planned, after which a BRAC Cleanup Team (BCT) meeting will be held to discuss stakeholder comments on the PSCS and to develop specific Data Quality Objectives (DQO) for the development of an RI Addendum work plan.

Electronic copies of the Area 1 PSCS are being provided to stakeholders at this time. A copy of the document on CD can be provided upon request. Please contact me at (508) 219-6771 or jropp@komangs.com if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,
KOMAN Government Solutions, LLC

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Encl: Area 1 PSCS (electronic)

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