Environmentally Sensitive Off-Limit Areas Explained



JBLE – Fort Eustis ITAM Program Sustainable Range Awareness

Examples of Environmentally Sensitive Off-Limit Areas.







Red and yellow reflective Seibert Stakes are placed along the perimeter of Environmentally Sensitive Areas so that they are readily visible. If a vertical black strip is visible through the red and yellow bands, you are in an environmentally sensitive area and should exit.

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SOP For Environmentally Sensitive Areas

Fort Eustis training lands provide a valuable training asset but they also host important cultural and natural resources. A variety of projects are conducted to properly manage and maintain these resources. In some cases, areas are clearly marked offlimits to protect environmentally sensitive resources. Off-limit markers include posted signs or Seibert Stakes. However, many areas supporting monitoring projects are not marked and you may encounter various sampling devices that have been installed to collect data or specimens. They represent an investment of government funding to sustain military training lands and should not be modified or tampered with. Sustaining the quality of the environment will enable us to support Army training for years to come.

Procedures:

- 1. **Avoid entry into areas marked with Seibert Stakes.** Areas within the marked areas are No Ground Disturbance Areas. (see #4). Authorized
 - personnel must exercise caution when in a marked area. Contact the Environmental Element (CED-CEIE), Cultural Resources, Dr. Chris McDaid, 757-878-7365 for additional



Seibert Stake ="NO-GO"

information about cultural resources.

- 2. **Avoid touching insect survey traps.**Contact the CED-CEIE, Mr. Tim
 Christensen, 757-878-4231 for more
 information regarding forest insect
 - surveys. Contact CE-E for copies of safety data sheets (aka msds).



Example of an Insect Survey Trap

- 3. Avoid disturbing animal traps or trapping system arrays. Contact the Environmental Element, Civil Engineering (CED-CEIE); Mr. James Dolan, 757-878-4152 for more information about wildlife surveys.
- 4. Avoid activities that cause ground disturbance. Human activities that cause ground disturbance can alter or destroy cultural resources and include digging, clearing of vegetation, detonation of explosives, military training exercises, ATV's, vehicles or equipment, construction, vandalism, looting, and theft.



Example of wildlife survey trapping system array.