

## Introduction

The purpose of this guide is to inform you of the military training activities that took place at the former Camp Wolters and to raise awareness of the explosive hazards that may exist at the property.

From 1941 to 1974, various branches of the Department of Defense used Camp Wolters to conduct infantry, engineer aviation, helicopter and tank training. Additionally, troops received training in using demolition materials. Several areas of the former Camp Wolters have been identified through historical research and site visits as having potential explosive hazards. As depicted on the inside map, these areas include former Combat Ranges, a Maneuver Area, Multiple Use Ranges, and an Ordnance Burial Area. A number of these areas are adjacent to the active Texas National Guard Camp Wolters military installation.

The former Camp Wolters comprises approximately 23,747 acres in Palo Pinto and Parker Counties, Texas. The property lies northeast of Mineral Wells and is adjacent to the northeast corner of the city. Today, the Texas National Guard uses 4,000 acres of the former camp for training, Lake Mineral Wells State Park occupies 3,285 acres and the remaining property is privately owned.

Because explosive hazards associated with military munitions from past military training may remain on the former Camp Wolters, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recommends that landowners and visitors follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety – Recognize, Retreat, and Report.



Projectile at former Camp Wolters

## Former Camp Wolters

### For More Information



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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for identifying, investigating and, when necessary, conducting an appropriate response to address contamination and military munitions resulting from past Department of Defense activities at Formerly Used Defense Sites, also referred to as FUDS.

For information about the former Camp Wolters, contact the FUDS Information Center by calling the toll-free number 1-855-765-FUDS (3837). For general information about the FUDS Program, visit [www.fuds.mil](http://www.fuds.mil).

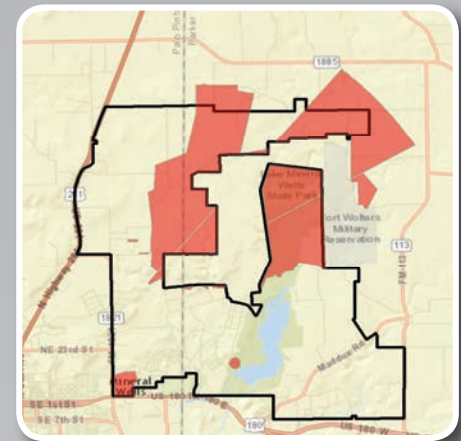
### Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety



Visit the U.S. Army's Explosives Safety Education website:  
[www.denix.osd.mil/uxo](http://www.denix.osd.mil/uxo)

## 3Rs Safety Guide

Former Camp Wolters  
Texas  
Palo Pinto and Parker Counties



Combat Ranges  
Maneuver Area  
Multiple Use Ranges  
Ordnance Burial Area



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Source: "A Camera Trip Through Camp Wolters," U.S. Army



Trainees learn how to "hightail it" into fox-holes

## Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What types of potential hazards exist?

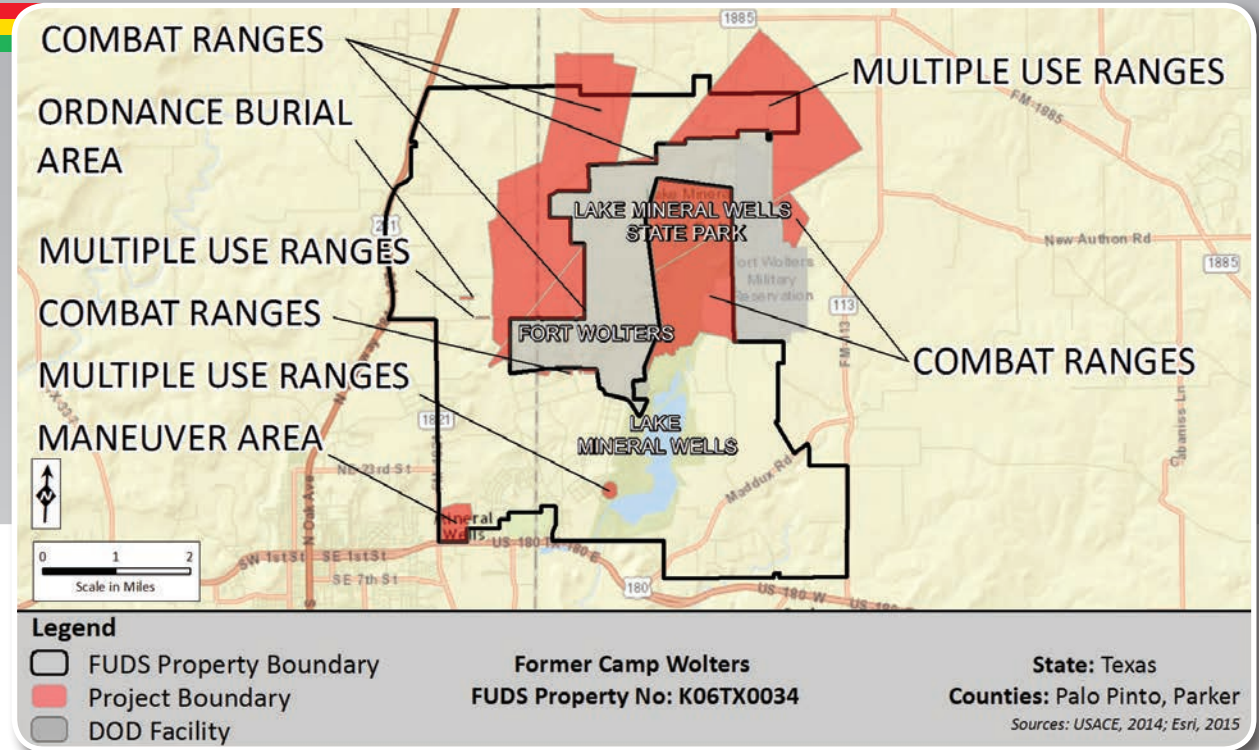
A: Military munitions such as artillery projectiles, grenades, mortars, rockets and general small arms were potentially used at Camp Wolters. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is unable to rule out the presence of munitions that may pose an explosive hazard.

Q: What do I do if I suspect I may have come across a military munition?

A: If you suspect you may have come across a military munition, the best way to ensure your safety is to follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety: **Recognize** that munitions are dangerous; **Retreat** — do not approach, touch, move or disturb it, but carefully leave the area; and **Report** immediately what you saw and where you saw it to local law enforcement — call 911.

Q: What are the findings of the work that the government has completed?

A: Historical research and site inspections indicate that military munitions were previously used at this camp and some munitions may remain on the property. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has



determined that further investigation is required for the Combat Ranges, Maneuver Area, Multiple Use Ranges, and Ordnance Burial Area at the former Camp Wolters.

Q: What will be done next?

A: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will make explosives safety education material that is based on the 3Rs available to landowners and the community. Additionally, it will coordinate with landowners as it plans required response activities.

Q: Where can I get more information?

A: For more information, call the Formerly Used Defense Sites Information Center toll-free number 1-855-765-FUDS (3837). Additional information about the site can be found by using the Geographical Information System tool on the Formerly Used Defense Sites website at [www.fuds.mil](http://www.fuds.mil).

## Follow the 3Rs of Explosives Safety

**Recognize**

when you may have come across a munition, and that munitions are dangerous;

**Retreat**

do not approach, touch, move or disturb a suspect munition, but carefully leave the area; and

**Report**

immediately what was found to local law enforcement — call **911**.