

## MALAELOA TRAINING AREA



### HISTORY:

The Malaeloa Training Area (MTA) is located in the village of Malaeloa on the western side of Tutuila Island. The property was leased to the United States Army in 1998 for the purpose of military training for a period of 10 years. Of the 80 acres of leased land, approximately 30 percent of the area has been classified as a wetland. An environmental investigation of the site was conducted in 2008. The results indicated the hillside on the small arms range contained lead concentration exceeding the EPA Region 9 Preliminary Remediation Goals (RPGs) for residential use (400 mg/kg). The rest of the area had no evidence of contamination.

### CURRENT STATUS:

An Environmental Assessment has been performed by the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine (*Environmental Condition of Property Report - Lease Termination NO. 38-EH-09 AL-08 Malaeloa Training Area American Samoa June 2008*). The remedial action was conducted and completed in January 2012. The contaminated soil was removed and placed in an existing quarry and is encased in two layers of 6-mil polypropylene sheeting and covered with at least six feet of quarry material that would preclude exposure to possible receptors. The surveyed location of the encased contaminated soil has been provided to the Port Authority for future reference should they decide to develop the area in the future. The NFA (No Further Action) was signed by AS-EPA and USACE on April 2012 (Remediation Completion Report for Site Characterization and Remedial Action of the Former Small Arms Firing Range, April 2012, Engineering Remediation Resources Group).

Details	
<b>Category:</b>	Military Munitions Response Program
<b>Village, Island:</b>	Malaeloa, Tutuila
<b>Nature of Contamination:</b>	Lead
<b>Coordinates:</b>	14°20'0.50"S      170°46'13.06"W
<b>Site Size:</b>	80 acres
<b>Response Status:</b>	Complete (No Further Action)
<b>Suitable for Unrestricted Use?</b>	Yes
<b>Controls:</b>	N/A
<b>Lead Agency:</b>	U.S. Army Center Corps of Engineers

<b>Enforcement Authority:</b>	AS-EPA
<b>Property/Ownership Status:</b>	Communal
<b>Last Updated:</b>	July 2012