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Army Corps of Engineers and Delaware officials to discuss Delaware clamshell munitions investigation at media event, Sept. 30

Baltimore - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, or NAB, and Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, or DNREC, will hold a media availability session on **Thursday, September 30 at 1 p.m., at the DNREC facilities in Dover, Del.** NAB and Delaware officials will discuss the ongoing investigation of munitions being found in clamshells used for compacted surfaces, such as driveways and parking areas, explain the overall investigation process and inform the public on who to contact if they know or suspect that they may have munitions present on their property.

Recently, NAB's munitions experts began investigating 12 driveways at various locations in Delaware known to have contained munitions. Preliminary information indicates that the munitions were inadvertently dredged up during mechanical clam harvesting operations off the coast of New Jersey. After the clams were processed, clamshells and other debris, to include some munitions, were transported from processing plants, stockpiled at various trucking companies and eventually delivered to property owners for use as compacted surfaces.

In addition to investigating driveways, processing areas and clamshell stockpiles, NAB is also conducting literature searches and personnel interviews to identify any additional sites that may contain munitions. This investigation is expected to take several weeks.

Residents with questions or concerns on the clamshell munitions investigation can contact a project information line at 1-800-434-0988.

Editor's note: For directions to the DNREC facilities in Dover, Del., please contact Melinda Carl at DNREC.

