Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant

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Partners in the Pueblo Chemical Weapons Destruction Program

The mission of the Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (PCAPP) – to safely destroy the chemical munitions stored at the U.S. Army Pueblo Chemical Depot (PCD) in accordance with applicable federal, state and local environmental requirements – calls for participation from both the public and private sector and all levels of government. The following is a summary of key program partners and their roles in reaching this shared goal.

Program Executive Office, Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (PEO ACWA)

PEO ACWA was established to demonstrate alternatives to the baseline incineration technology for the destruction of assembled chemical weapons. PEO ACWA is responsible for the destruction of the chemical weapons stockpiles stored at PCD and the Blue Grass Army Depot near Richmond, Kentucky. PEO ACWA is headquartered at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

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Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (PCAPP)

PCAPP is a state-of-the-art, full-scale pilot facility designed to safely and efficiently neutralize the Pueblo chemical weapons stockpile.

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Bechtel Pueblo Team (BPT)

BPT is the systems contractor selected by PEO ACWA to design, build, test, operate and close PCAPP.

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Pueblo Chemical Stockpile Outreach Office (ORO)

The ORO, operated under contract by IEM Inc., informs stakeholders about the chemical weapons destruction project. The office works closely with elected officials, community groups, individual citizens, PEO ACWA, PCD, emergency preparedness agencies and others to ensure a comprehensive public outreach and involvement program.

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U.S. Army Pueblo Chemical Depot (PCD)

The depot is located east of Pueblo, Colorado. It is a 23,000-acre U.S. Army installation that is responsible for the safe and secure storage of a portion of the chemical weapons stockpile of mustard agent. PCD has been in operation since 1942 and has stored chemical agents since the early 1950s.

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Joint Project Manager for Elimination (JPM-E)/U.S. Army Chemical Materials Activity (CMA)

JPM-E will manage the operations of the PCAPP Explosive Destruction System mission, which is operated by CMA. This mission will destroy problematic overpacked munitions, Department of Transportation cylinders, rejects, leakers, and contaminated bursters in a safe and efficient manner that is protective of human health (workers and residents) and the environment.

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Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP)

CSEPP enhances the emergency preparedness of Pueblo County, PCD and the state of Colorado through equipment, personnel, training and public awareness. This program involves PCD, the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Bureau, the Colorado Department of Public Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM), and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

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Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)

The mission of CDPHE is to protect public health and the environment. The department is responsible for enforcing the Hazardous Waste Regulations in the state of Colorado and will consider the U.S. Army's permit applications for PCAPP. Representatives of the Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division actively participate in meetings regarding chemical weapons destruction in Colorado.

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Colorado Chemical Demilitarization Citizens' Advisory Commission (CAC)

In accordance with Public Law 102-484, the CAC serves as a bridge between the community and the government by providing a forum for exchanging information about chemical weapons disposal. The governor of Colorado appoints members of the CAC, including private citizens, who represent the local community. The CAC conducts public meetings to facilitate consistent public participation in the chemical weapons destruction program.

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Colorado CAC Permitting Working Group (PWG)

The mission of the PWG is to expedite the planning, development and implementation of all aspects of the environmental permitting process for PCAPP.

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