



ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION

U.S. Army Environmental Center

INSTALLATION ACTION PLANS

What is an IAP?

An Installation Action Plan or IAP is a planning document for operating Army installations that is used to present the approach that will be taken to clean up environmentally contaminated sites under the Installation Restoration Program.

The IAP includes:

- ❖ individual site descriptions and site status
- ❖ chronological history of contamination studies
- ❖ future site cleanup requirements
- ❖ site cleanup goals and schedules
- ❖ past, current and future response actions
- ❖ major issues that affect the installation's cleanup program

The IAP is more than a simple listing of sites and associated schedules and funding requirements. Installations use the IAP as a comprehensive planning tool to tell a clear story of where the installation is planning to go, how it intends to get there, and why the journey is necessary in the first place.

Who Prepares the IAP?

The environmental office at an active/operating installation is responsible for annually preparing and updating the IAP if the installation has:

1. Cost requirements in the Army Restoration Cost-To-Complete System (RCTCS), or
2. A site status of "underway" or "future" in the Defense Sites Environmental Restoration Tracking System (DSERTS).

Regulator and Local Community Involvement

Army installations should involve regulators and the interested public when updating this comprehensive plan for restoration of the environment at the installation. *At a minimum*, the regulators should be provided a copy of the IAP; a copy should also be made available to the interested public in the local information repository. The plan should present solid evidence that the Army is firmly committed to expeditious identification and cleanup of environmental contamination, and that the installation has a credible, organized program to carry out that commitment.

More Information

For more information on Installation Action Plans, contact the U.S. Army Environmental Center, Environmental Restoration Division at (410) 436-3240 or visit the USAEC's Web site at <http://aec.army.mil/>.