

Overview of the Air Force Complex Sites Initiative

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The Air Force Civil Engineering Center developed a conceptual approach to address complex sites in the context of the Air Force Performance Based Contracting Initiative for environmental remediation. This approach considers constraints from current contracts in place, expected contract performance at contract completion and limits of technology. The Air Force Complex Site Initiative targets high cost complex sites where technical analysis is required to determine if site completion is possible or alternative strategies or end points where no real progress is deemed technically feasible is warranted. Air Force professionals will identify and assemble critical information for each site and perform multi-day critical review of site data to identify requirements, utilizing EPA's DQO process. The outcome of critical review identifies appropriate goals, establishes a technical path forward, and identifies appropriate technologies for targeted sites. The Air Force may contract to conduct fieldwork to fill any data gaps and determine a path forward and suitable contract mechanism to achieve appropriate endpoints for complex sites. It is estimated that 750 sites will require continued remediation after FY 2021 and approximately 350 sites will require remedial action extending beyond 2041. This initiative will be used to prioritize investment in remediation projects.