

## Protect Yourself - What to do if you think you have found munitions

1. Do not touch, move, burn, or otherwise disturb any suspicious objects.
2. Mark the location, if possible, so that response personnel can be directed to the object.
3. Call the Laramie Ranger District at (307) 745-2300, or the Albany County Sheriff at (307) 721-2526, or call 911.

## Working together for Your Safety

At Pole Mountain, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Forest Service, the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are responsible for protecting people and the environment. This team has developed a plan to reduce the risk of possible exposure to any old military shells or other ammunition that may have been left in the area. The plan follows all federal laws and legal requirements. It includes this pamphlet, safety displays, and signs to keep you informed of potential dangers and protect your health and safety.

## Steps we are taking to protect the public

1. Detecting and clearing unexploded munitions from the sites where the most extensive military training was conducted or where munitions have been found.
2. Conducting a public awareness campaign through public displays, pamphlets and warning signs.
3. Conducting additional investigations of other areas that might contain unexploded munitions.

## Today's Multiple Use

The U.S. Forest Service manages this site and provides opportunities for hiking, camping, hunting, rock climbing, mountain biking and other activities. In addition, local ranchers continue traditional uses like grazing their livestock.



## For More Information Contact:

U.S. Forest Service  
Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest  
Laramie Ranger District  
2468 Jackson Street, Laramie, Wyoming 82070  
District Ranger  
(307) 745-2300 [www.fs.fed.us/mrnf/](http://www.fs.fed.us/mrnf/)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District  
106 South 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE 68102-1618  
Public Affairs Office  
1-888-835-5971

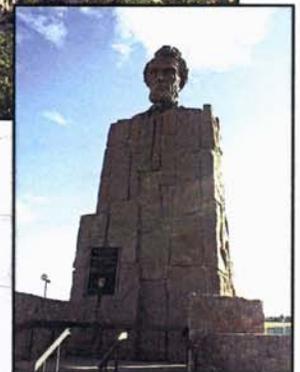
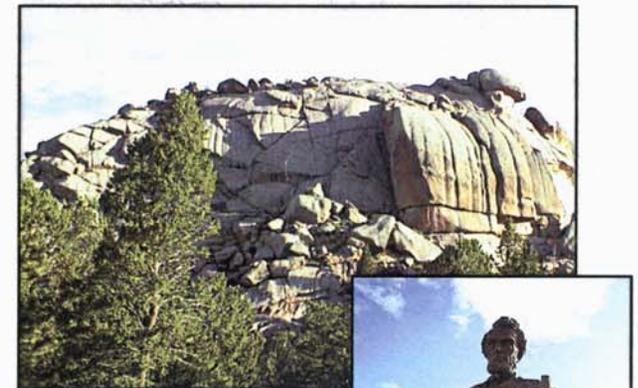
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# Unexploded Military Munitions



What this means for a visitor to the Pole Mountain Unit of the Medicine Bow National Forest



## Be Safe Not Sorry!

## A Brief History of Pole Mountain

**P**ole Mountain Unit of the Medicine Bow National Forest was used as a target and maneuver area for military training between 1879 and 1961.

Around the turn of the century, President McKinley declared portions to be a forest reserve under the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Both the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force have used the area to train soldiers and airmen in the use of weapons and munitions. Some of the areas were used as a firing range. Military use stopped in 1961. Today, the U.S. Forest Service manages the site for multiple use.



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## Learn About Unexploded Munitions at Pole Mountain

**T**he types of military munitions found in the Target and Maneuver area include fuzes, mortar rounds, small arms ammunition, and 75mm artillery projectiles. **DO NOT TOUCH** any suspicious metallic items! Even small arms ammunition of .50 caliber or smaller is best left undisturbed since it can pose a risk when mishandled.

