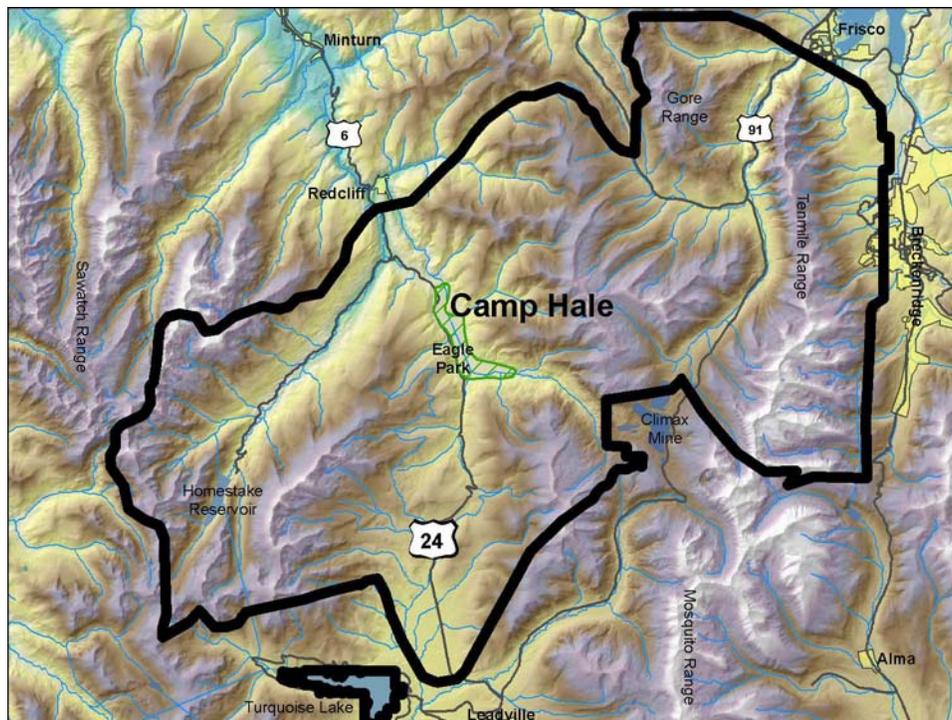




The Camp Hale project area comprises approximately 200,000 acres, or about 312 square miles, of the White River and San Isabel National Forests in west-central Colorado. This area is located within or bordered by portions of Eagle, Lake, Pitkin, and Summit Counties. The majority of the land is managed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (Forest Service) and there are several small in-holdings of private land within the project area.

Camp Hale was used as a military training site from 1942 to 1965. This training included the use of both practice and live munitions by various active and reserve units. From 1959 to 1965, the Central Intelligence Agency used portions of the site for training Tibetan guerillas. Control of the land was returned to the Forest Service in 1966. In 1992, the Camp Hale cantonment and adjacent Eagle Park area was placed on the National Register of Historic Places.



The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District is conducting military munitions investigations in the Camp Hale area, as part of the Department of Defense, Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) Program. The purpose of this program at Camp Hale is to identify areas that were used for military training with munitions, investigate the areas, and determine the presence or absence of potentially hazardous munitions.

During the summer of 2007, Site Inspection activities will be conducted by Shaw Environmental, Inc., a contractor to the Corps of Engineers, throughout the Camp Hale project area (boundary area in the above figure) to identify the presence or absence of military munitions. Inspection activities are scheduled to occur from approximately mid-July to September 2007. Activities include a visual reconnaissance in various areas, and collection of some environmental (e.g., soil and water) samples. Intrusive or subsurface activities are not scheduled as part of this work.

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Safety Information

The following is safety-related information that visitors to Camp Hale should be familiar with and strictly follow while enjoying the National Forest areas within the project boundaries.

Camp Hale was used as a military training site for many years, with both practice and live munitions used in this training, over a large area of land. Since some of the munitions may not have exploded as they were intended to, there is a possibility that munition items remain in the area and are hazardous. These items could be present anywhere within the broad Camp Hale project area and potentially could cause injury or death if encountered and disturbed in a way that causes the munition to explode.

**Do not disturb
or remove any
items on or in
the ground.**



Expended Smoke Grenade

Military munitions are designed to withstand long periods of storage under varied and often unfavorable conditions. Depending on climate and soil conditions, the item may look brand-new or rusty and deteriorated. Regardless of how an item looks, these munitions can explode if handled.



**Tail Boom from 3.5" Rocket
(Bazooka)**

NEVER assume that practice means an ordnance item is safe to touch. Even the least sensitive items may explode if exposed to careless and improper handling. Leave the ordnance handling to the professionals. It takes trained experts to assess the situation and to remove any explosive hazard.



- **NEVER APPROACH** a suspected military munition item.
- **AVOID THE AREA** where military munition items are located.



- **DO NOT TOUCH OR DISTURB** a military munition item – movement may set it off.
- **NEVER TRANSMIT** radio signals near military munition items.
- **REPORT SUSPICIOUS ITEMS** to the authorities.



U.S. Forest Service, Holy Cross Ranger District at 970-827-5715
U.S. Forest Service, Leadville Ranger District at 719-486-0749
Eagle County Sheriff's Department at 970-328-8500
Lake County Dispatch for fire or sheriff at 719-486-1249

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