

The CMRS Process

The NPA Approach to Dealing with Cluster Munitions Remnants in SEA

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Why do we do CMRS?

- SEA has the highest concentration of CMR in the world
- No accurate estimate
- Treaty Obligations
- There is a need to estimate the extent of the problem:
 - to allow for better planning
 - estimate an end date/state.



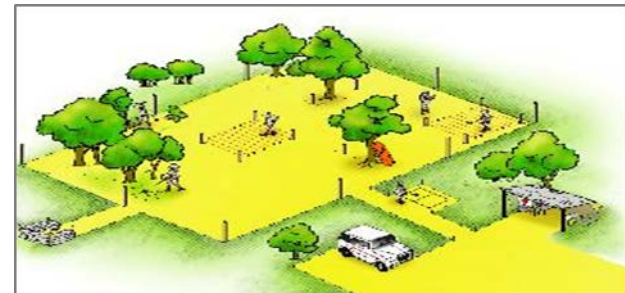
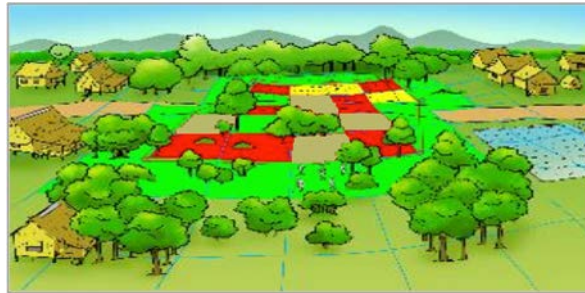
History and Application

- Initial focus was on speed – a rapid survey.
- ID the CHA to better utilize clearance resources
- Move from request based and/or reaction to single item based operations
- Partnership between NPA and MAG, CMAC, CMAA and UXO Lao.



The Process

- A combination of NTS and TS
- Followed by Clearance



CMRS = NTS + TS

Clearance



The Process

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Analysis throughout all Phases of Process

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Accidents
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USAF BD

Field Deployment

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Household/Landowner Interviews

Confirm Evidence

Questioning People
Visual Verification
Detector Assisted
Report to NMAA

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Demolition throughout the process builds confidence

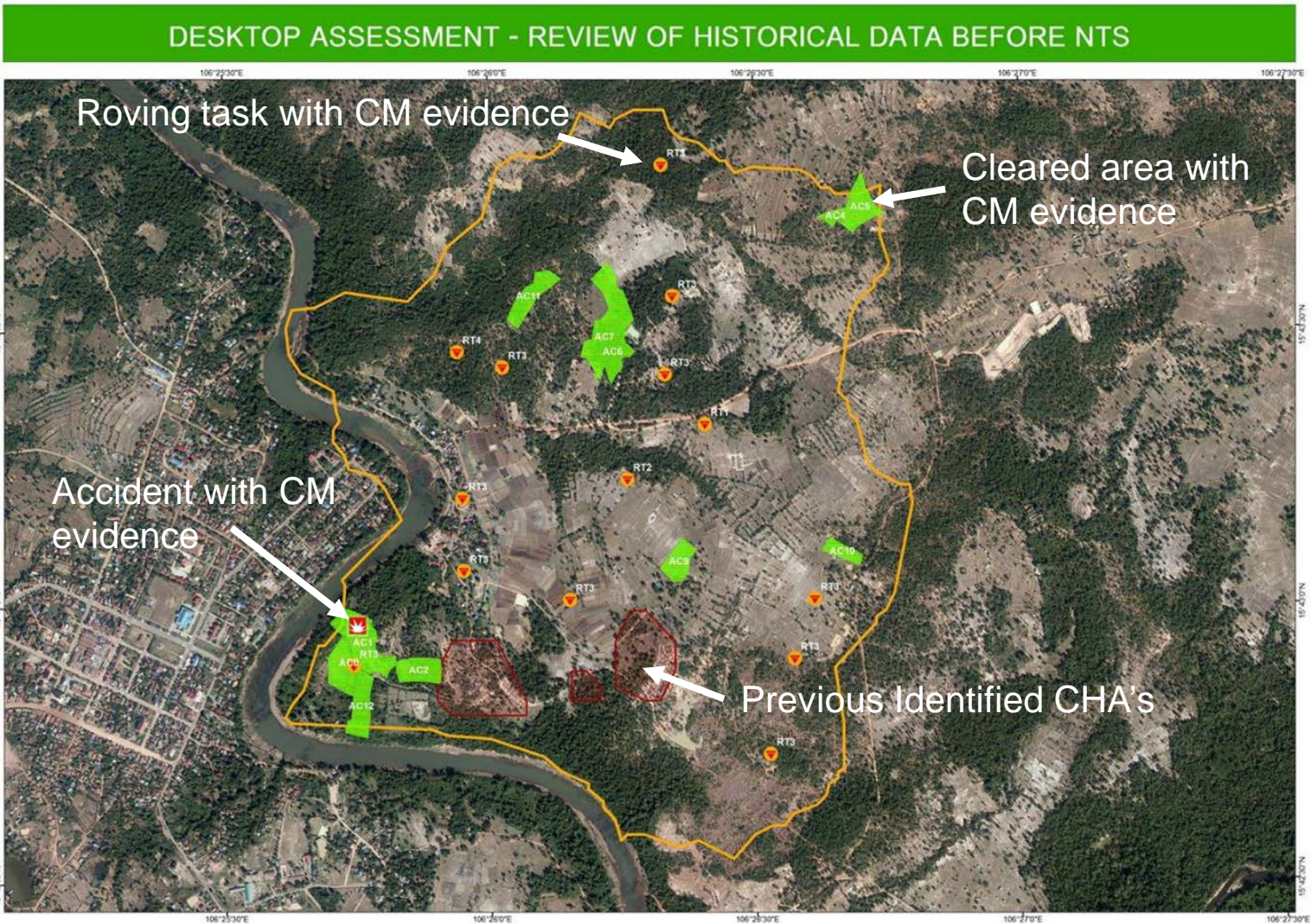
QA by OM/OO throughout

Information Management is Key Throughout



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The Process

The screenshot shows a GIS application interface with a map of a coastal region. Several red circles labeled 'Suspected Area' are overlaid on the map. Labels on the map include 'CUBU-58()/B', 'CUBU-24()/B', 'BLU 63', 'BLU 26', and 'BLU 3B'. The word 'Natandong' is written in blue text on the map. Two 'Identify' windows are open, showing the metadata for selected features.

Identify Window 1 (Left):

Identify from: <Top-most layer>

Natandong_CM_BD_1
CUBU58 Anti Personnel

Location: 595,854.355 1,720,024.1

Field	Value
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Shape	Point
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LON	105.91222
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PCODE	14
DATE_	10/19/1972
ORDNANCE	CUBU58 Anti Personnel
NEW_ORDNAN	CUBU-58()/B
ORD_CLASS	Other
CATEGORY	Cluster_Bomb
LOAD_QTY	8
NEW_LOAD_Q	8
NUM_ACRFT	2
NEW_AIRCRA	F-4
LOAD_LBS	33632
TARGET	Confirm Enemy Location
BDA	Target
Order_	

Identified 1 feature

Identify Window 2 (Right):

Identify from: <Top-most layer>

Natandong_CM_BD_1
CUBU24 AN-PR/MT

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Shape	Point
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PCODE	14
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ORDNANCE	CUBU24 AN-PR/MT
NEW_ORDNAN	CUBU-24()/B
ORD_CLASS	CUBU-24/29
CATEGORY	Cluster_Bomb
LOAD_QTY	6
NEW_LOAD_Q	6
NUM_ACRFT	2
NEW_AIRCRA	F-4
LOAD_LBS	49800
TARGET	Personnel/Any
BDA	Killed By Air
Order_	

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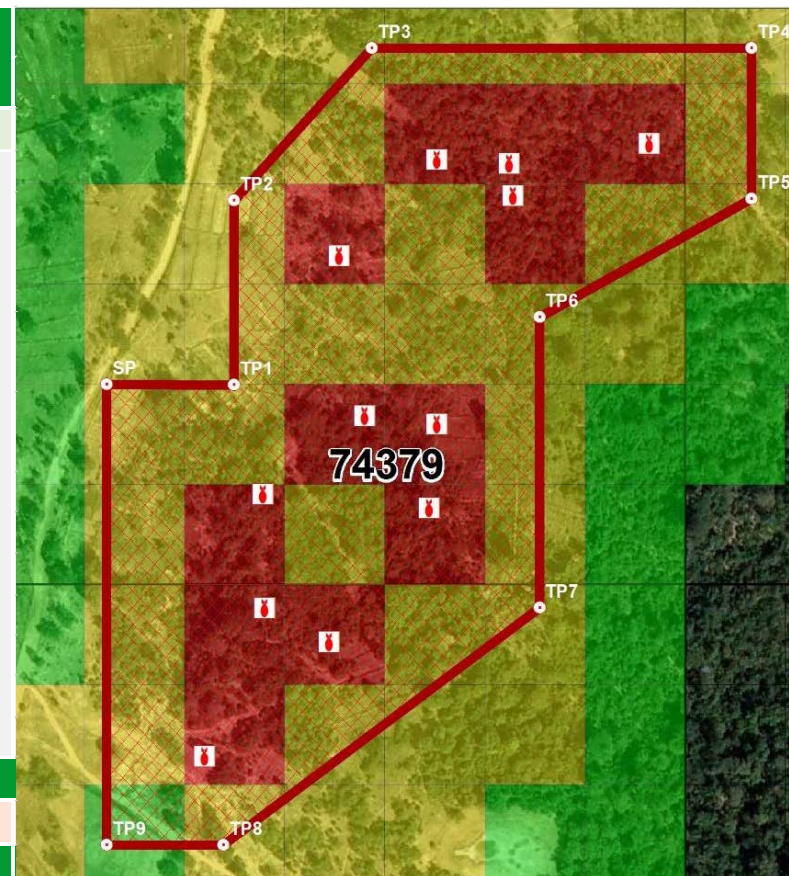
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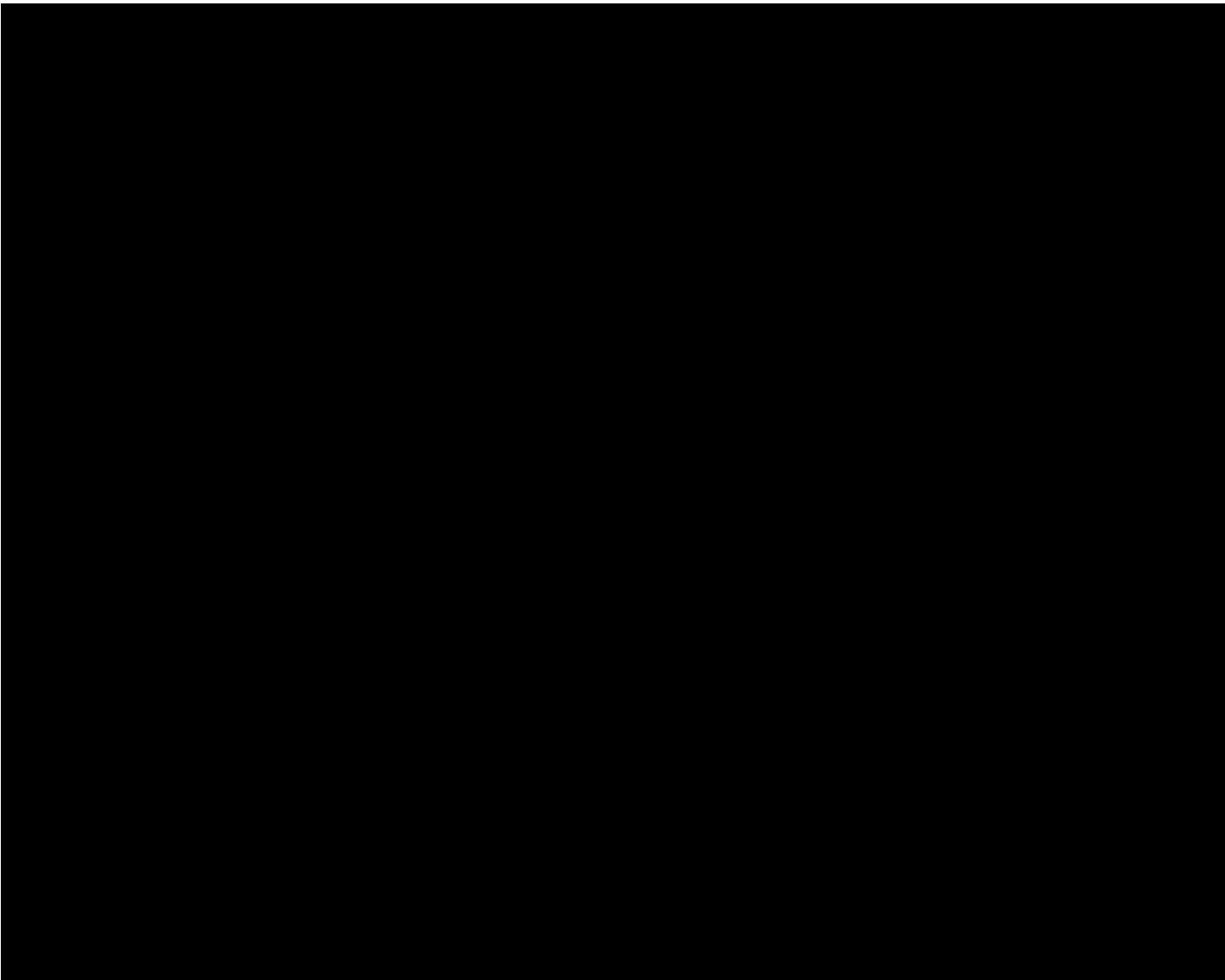


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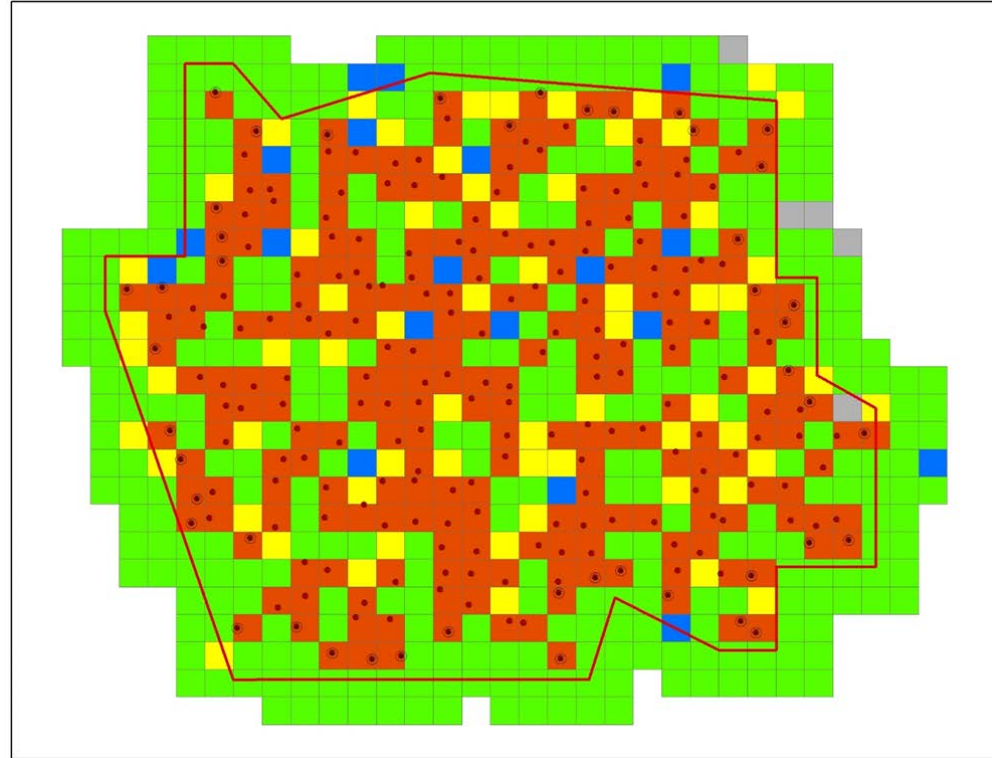
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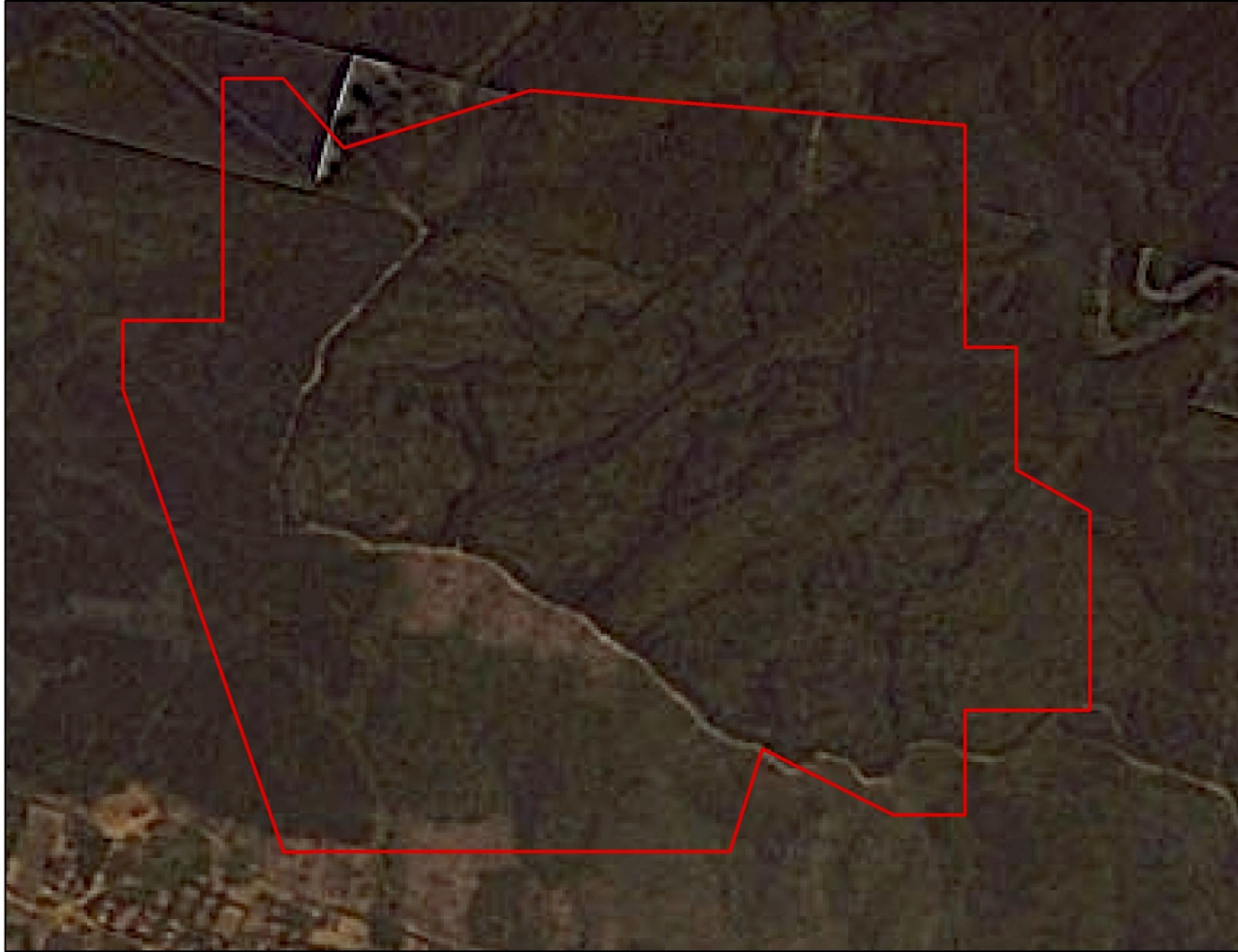
The Process – CMRS Procedure

- ONLY CHAs, and NO SHAs
- Medically trained staff are compulsory for TS
- Conduct of TS
 - Time in box – TL Confidence
 - Focus on identify CHA boundary
 - CMR located, stop searching and move to next boxes
 - Located items – dispose on daily basis
- Drawing CHA – 50m from last known item, line of best fit.



The Process

CHA Creation:



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Lesson learnt - General

- Speed over Accuracy
 - Too focused on speed when first developed
 - No feedback through clearance.
- Too long time between CMRS and Clearance.
- Stakeholder feedback and coordination is essential to quality.
 - Link to village
 - Clearance is the greatest form of Quality management
- Ownership of the process



Lesson learnt - General

- Information management is key to success.
- Linking location of USAF BD to CHA locations is not possible, But.....
- Can be used to analyze expected type of contamination
- NS shall be appropriate.



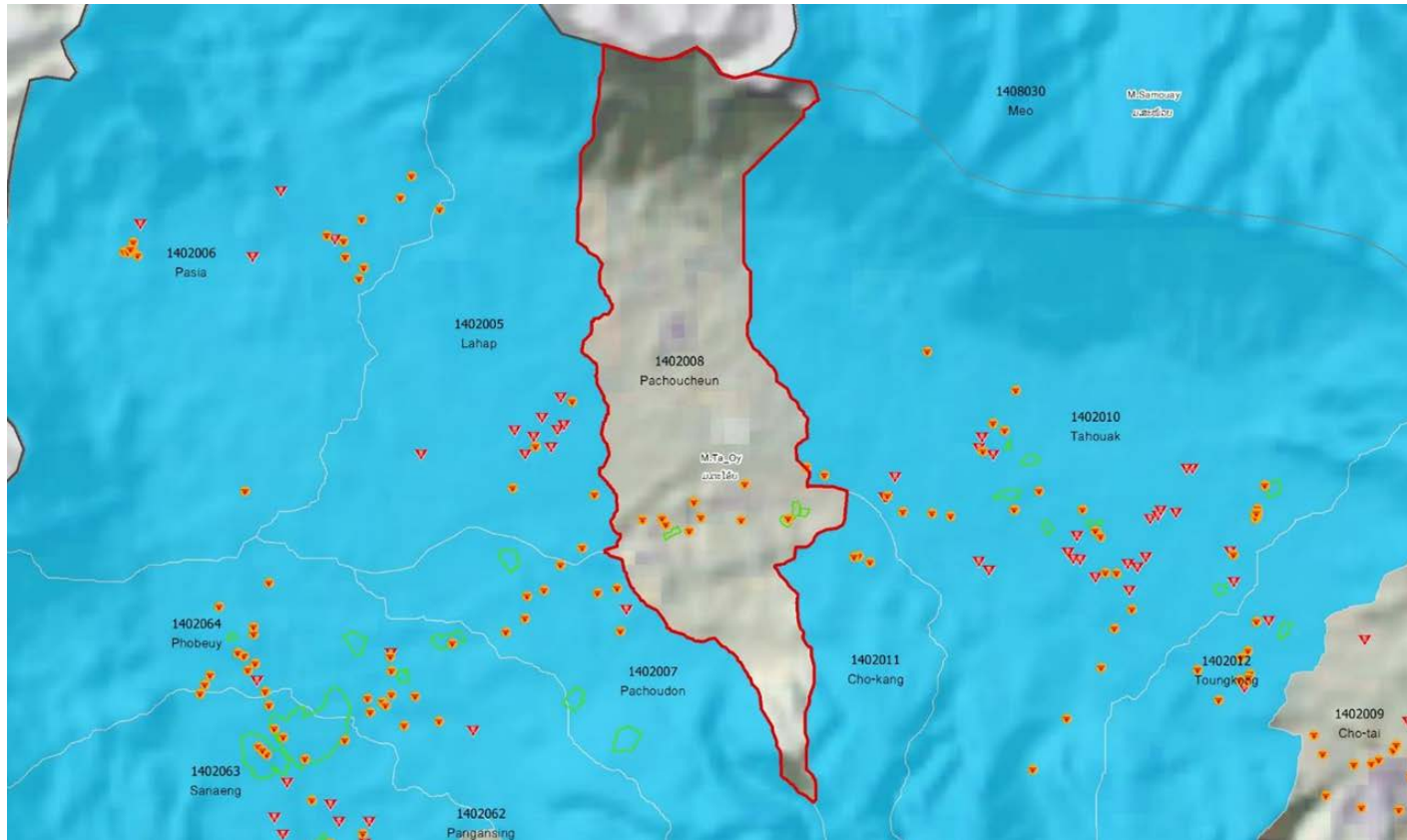
Lesson learnt - NTS

- Incomplete information
 - No quality documentation on, or a lack of accurate & reliable historical data
 - No reporting system of new evidences
- Increase in quality of NTS
- Impact Assessment is not NTS



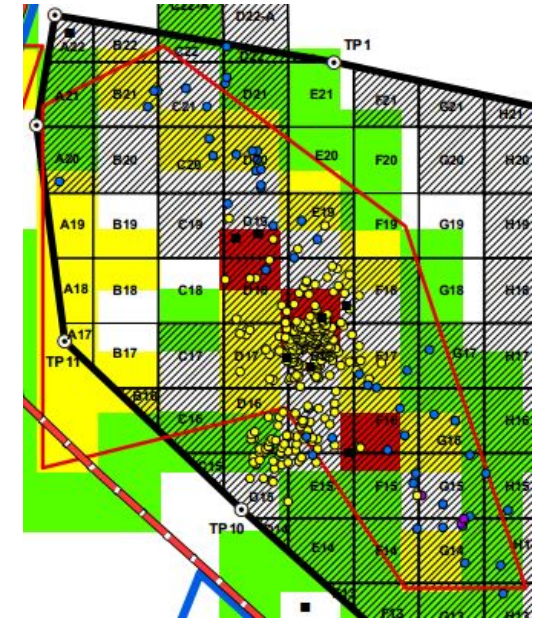
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- New or moved villages missed during NTS



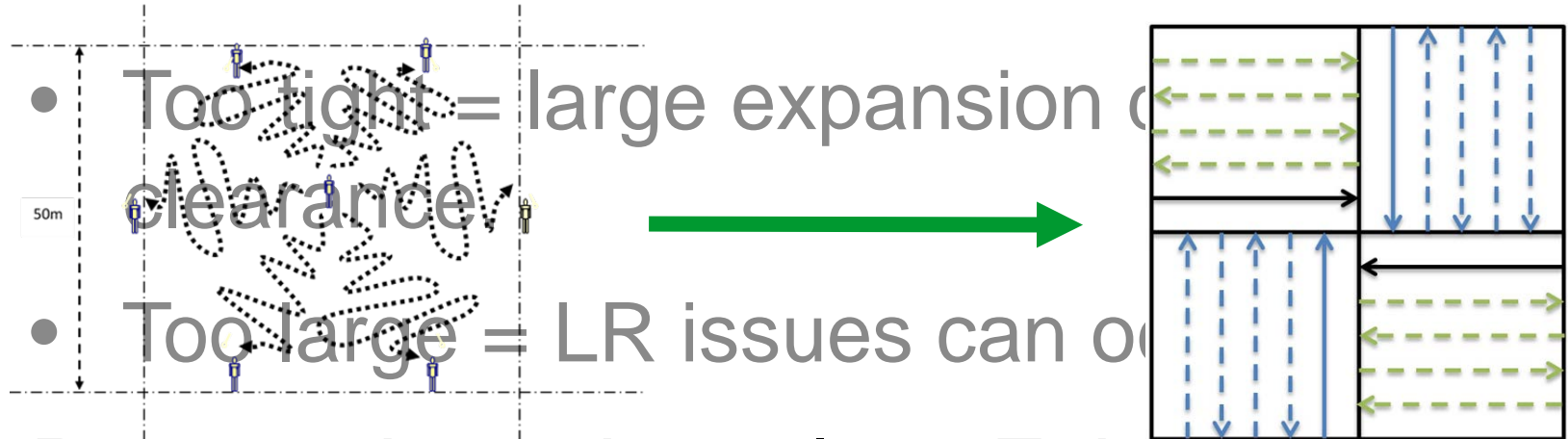
Lesson learnt – TS

- Skipping boxes shall only be conducted when larger CHA's are being identified – not from the start of a task.
- Fragmentation is not enough evidence to base CHA creation
- The focus is on boundaries
- Team sizes



Lesson learnt – TS.

- More structured physical approach.
- CHA created 50m from last known item.



- Too tight = large expansion of clearance
- Too large = LR issues can occur

- Request based results v Evidence based results.

The Path Forward

- National ownership and rollout. Standards and procedures should reflect CMRS
- Establish a suitable national IM system
- Shift from request based to evidence based operations
 - ALL tasking should be of CHA's, with NMAA facilitating a feedback loop for continuous improvement.

