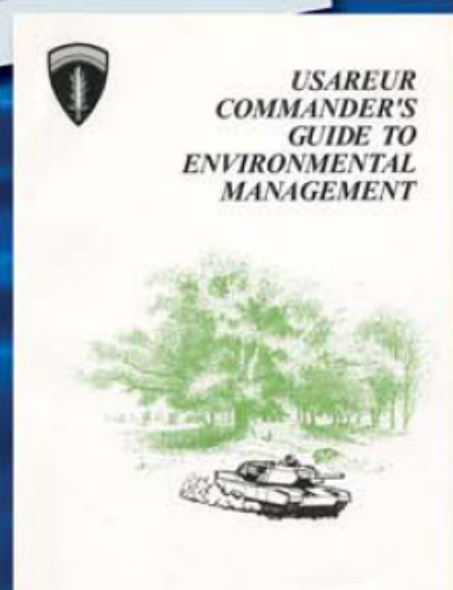


Installation-Compatible Use Zone Program

1980s



Suburban growth in the latter part of the 20th century resulted in population increases near U.S. Army installations. Disputes developed over the noise from training activities; therefore, the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) turned to IWR for assistance with public involvement activities.

Public involvement had been an area of focus for IWR since its founding. In the early 1980s, the Director of Engineering and Housing for TRADOC, who was aware of IWR's expertise in public involvement, requested the development of a training program to help TRADOC work with nearby residents to resolve noise issues. Mark Dunning and Darrell Nolton of IWR led the program, named the Installation-Compatible Use Zone (ICUZ). This program involved teaching public involvement courses at TRADOC installations to facilitate dialogue between installation personnel and surrounding communities.

The ICUZ program resulted in successful public engagement for TRADOC, and in the late 1980s IWR was asked to apply the program

to U.S. Army installations in Germany. IWR staff traveled overseas to teach public involvement courses, and they prepared a handbook for noise reduction and public engagement. Through this program, IWR helped the Army to solve complex challenges in numerous locations.



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