UXO Dive Ops Planned for Governor's Island

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Governor's Island, New York The USACE is planning to conduct an underwater UXO survey and investigation in the waters surrounding Governor's Island.

Governors Island formerly served as a recruitment center, supply depot, prison, and supply base where munitions were stored, tested, transported, and used for training and coastal defense. Historical research has cited that munitions may have accidentally fell or been dumped into the waters as vessels were loading and unloading munitions at the piers.



Dive operations will focus around the locations of old, historically significant, piers and other areas around the perimeter of the island. According to Erik Jarger, a project manager with the USACE New York District, dive operations will focus on surveying approximately three acres of the harbor floor, going down to a depth of 30 ft some areas.