

Not Your Typical "Photo Bomb" on the Vineyard

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Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts A MA State Police Bomb Squad carried out a controlled-explosion of a 100-pound photo flash bomb discovered by a USACE crew at Long Point Wildlife Refuge. A US Navy EOD team from Newport, Rhode Island was also on the scene to provide technical support.

Trustees of the Reservation (TTOR) rangers cleared the beach and parking lots of visitors under the direction of State Police. As an added safety precaution, the West Tisbury Fire Department and EMS were on the scene as well for the detonation.



The TTOR contacted the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute to warn about the upcoming shockwave, and to recommend they shut down their radar unit to prevent unnecessary damage.

The USACE FUDS program has been working in the area since 2010 to recover practice bombs used for training during WWII. This is the first photo flash bomb found, but officials believe there may be more.