



Brick factories in Northern Iraq. Photo by William Spencer

This picture of a brick factory, which emitted a lot of smoke, was taken near Camp Caldwell or Forward Operating Base Caldwell in northeast Iraq, 12 miles from the Iranian border in the Diala Province in Karkush, according to Staff Sgt. William Spencer, who was a recovery technician while serving in Iraq. "The pollution from the brick factories [has] made a lot of soldiers have breathing issues," said Spencer.

“We were instructed to use a mixture of kerosene and jp 8 jet fuel to burn the feces.” wrote retired Infantry Sgt. Timothy Aponte.



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