

Bluie East Two

Bluie East Two is an abandoned US Air Force military base in East Greenland, that was operational during World War II from 1942-1947. The remains of the base, consisting of thousands of leaking fuel drums strewn across the landscape, remain to this day. The Inuit call these rusting barrels, "American Flowers."

This set of images highlights the environmental responsibilities that remain, to this day, from the World War II period. The United States operated several military bases in Greenland during this time to defend the country from the Germans. To this day, many of these bases are yet to be cleaned up. Bluie East Two is the name of one abandoned base in Greenland whose remains continue to litter the landscape. These images serve to remind us of our environmental responsibilities and to further highlight how the cost of war haunts us many decades later. Additional information about this base may be located at the following url:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bluie_East_Two