



FIELD

CRYPTOTERRAFORMING

When reclaiming land for habitation or agriculture, it's important to identify and neutralize possible dangers. NPLabs has developed a sophisticated methodology for doing so, particularly when it comes to land mines.

1. Fill the map below using the across and down clues provided. Each row and column will be filled with one or two entries, clued in order, and any square may contain one, two, three or four letters. Note that a square with multiple letters may include the end of one word and the beginning of the next.
2. When the map has been filled, use the shaded squares to locate all the mines in the area. The number of letters in each shaded square indicates how many adjacent squares (orthogonally or diagonally) contain a mine. No shaded square may contain a mine itself.

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Across

- 1 Automotive frame; Tight-fitting dress part
- 2 Morally elevated routes?
- 3 Pre-birth, medically; Customs document
- 4 Section, as of an orange or newscast; Fuel from a fen
- 5 Part of MGM; Meddlesome or snoopish
- 6 Small coin; Obedient dog at times
- 7 Matisse and others; Inventor Howe

Down

- 1 Huge valley or gap; Make art with acid
- 2 One on the receiving end of a clue or nudge; Inexperienced or verdant
- 3 Homework project; Escalating or increasing [3 wds]
- 4 Debris from an exploded mine
- 5 Fireman's footwear; You have a lungful of these
- 6 Speech spot; Confused, or enjoying a cruise
- 7 Like summertime coffee; Legendary lechers