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COMMUNITY NOTICE: Fort Benning weapons firing in the Northern Range Complex November 2021

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FORT BENNING, Ga. – Fort Benning weapons firing throughout November includes Bradley Fighting Vehicles, Abrams Tanks, .50-caliber, and other small-arms firing. There will be multiple ranges firing various small arms, and community members may notice more sounds during these times. Cloudy days amplify sounds resulting in sound waves traveling farther and sounding louder.

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DATE	WEAPONS	FIRE TIME	RANGE
November 11	Abrams, M240 MG	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Brooks
November 2, 16-19	MK-19/MK-47, Bradley, M2 .50 Cal, M240 MG	8 a.m. – 8 p.m.	Ruth
November 2-4, 9-10, 12, 16-19	Bradley, M85 .50 Cal, M240 MG, Abrams, SBCT Mobile Gun	8 a.m midnight	Ware
November 8-13, 15-20	M240 MG, M2 .50 Cal, Abrams	8 a.m. – 2 a.m.	DMPRC
November 1-3. 8-10, 22-24, 30	M240 MG, M2 .50 Cal, Abrams	8 a.m midnight	Hastings

Proficiency only comes from practice, and this is especially true on the battlefield. That's why our Soldiers train; they must be ready to inflict harm on the country's enemies while protecting themselves on the battlefield. We do minimize the noise and costs by using simulation, but we don't want our Soldiers to experience firing the main gun of an M1 Abrams tank for the first time when they are facing an enemy on the battlefield. Instead we make sure they get realistic training and experience on Fort Benning's training areas to ensure their success.

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