## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) for the Master Plan for the Army National Guard, Warrior Training Center at Camp Butler Fort Benning, Georgia

Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulation Parts 1500-1508) implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, Fort Benning hereby gives notice that a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared to identify and evaluate potential environmental impacts associated with establishing a Collective Training Center at the Warrior Training Center located at Camp Butler, within Fort Benning, Georgia. Publication of this notice begins a 30-day public review period, which will be held from May 3, 2012 to June 1, 2012.

The Army National Guard proposes to establish a Collective Training Center for the WTC. The proposed action includes the demolition and construction of new facilities; improvement of existing utility infrastructure, and expansion/refurbishment of the existing obstacle course and physical fitness areas. Proposed construction projects include new officer/staff barracks, troop barracks, dining facility, battalion maintenance shelter, troop medical clinic expansion, training device/simulation center, general instruction buildings base, access roads and parking areas, sidewalks, and gravel roads. Utility infrastructure improvements would include upgrades to existing or the installation of new potable, waste, and storm-water systems as well as power and communication lines.

Publication of this notice begins a 30-day public review period. The public is invited to review and provide written comments regarding the Final EA and Draft FNSI. The Final EA and Draft FNSI are posted at <u>www.benning.army.mil/garrison/DPW/EMD/legal.htm</u>.

Copies of the Final EA and Draft FNSI may also be viewed at:

- 1. Columbus Public Library
- 2. South Columbus Branch Library
- 3. Sayers Memorial Library (Fort Benning Main Post Library)
- 4. Cusseta-Chattahoochee Public Library
- 5. Phenix City Russell County Public Library
- 6. North Columbus Branch Library

Comments must be received by **June 1**, **2012** to ensure consideration prior to Fort Benning approving the FNSI, and deciding which alternative and which mitigation measures to implement. For further information, request a copy of the document, or provide written comments, please contact:

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