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MEDIA ADVISORY

Media wishing to cover the airborne training event are welcome to do so and should contact Maj. Randy Stillinger at 512-964-8707 or by email at randall.m.stillinger.mil@mail.mil.

Media outlets, covering the Grayson County area, are also asked to publish this information as a public service to the community, prior to the event date.

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLIC RELEASE:

Texas National Guard Airborne unit to conduct training operations Saturday

AUSTIN, Texas (Nov. 18, 2015) – On Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015, soldiers of the 1st Battalion, 143rd Regiment (Airborne) will be conducting airborne training operations in the vicinity of the North Texas Regional Airport in Grayson County, Texas.

The 36th Infantry Division soldiers of the Texas Army National Guard will be practicing airfield seizure operations, which is a standard training requirement. During this time, soldiers will be armed with standard issued weapons, but no live, training or blank ammunition will be fired during the training event.

Citizens in the immediate Grayson County area should not be alarmed of the increased military activities. The training event will include several aspects: low flying U.S. Air Force and Army aircraft, soldiers parachuting onto the airport, and tactical military vehicles in the area. Additionally, all aircraft and training operations will be done in accordance with FAA standards.

The airport will be closed to most activities from approximately 9:30 a.m. to noon, however, the time frame may be adjusted based on weather conditions. Pilots should check applicable Notices to Airmen (NOTAM) prior to planning flights to/from or in the vicinity of the airport.

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