

## Texas Military Department News

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## MEDIA ADVISORY

Due to site limitations, the force protection exercise at Camp Mabry, in Austin, on Feb. 20, 2019, will not be open to the media. B-roll and photos can be provided upon request.

For any questions regarding this training exercise, please contact the state Public Affairs Office at 512-782-5620; email: ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

## **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

## Camp Mabry to host coordinated annual force protection exercise with local first responders

**AUSTIN, Texas (Feb. 13, 2019)** – The Texas Military Department, along with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Austin Police Department, Austin Fire Department, and Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services, will conduct a coordinated annual force protection training exercise at Camp Mabry, in Austin, on Feb. 20, 2019.

This scenario-driven training exercise will allow the Texas Military Department and first responders to rehearse emergency procedures, enhance security, and improve communication between agencies. The annual exercise provides valuable hands-on training for Camp Mabry and local responders that will increase preparedness and response for the installation, surrounding areas, and local community. This training is not in response to any recent events and occurs annually in February.

"In coordination with our local first responders, preparation and rehearsals of our response during an emergency situation will make our entire community that much safer," said Maj. Aimie Tibbetts, Camp Mabry Garrison Commander.

Again, this is an interagency training exercise and there are no immediate threats to Camp Mabry or the surrounding area.

While the post will remain open to the public the day of the exercise, no inbound or outbound traffic will be allowed on Camp Mabry for approximately one to two hours in the morning. Neighbors near to Camp Mabry can expect to see an increased presence of first responders on post.

For more information about this interagency training exercise contact the state public affairs office at 512-782-5620 or email at ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

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The Texas Military Department is commanded by the Adjutant General of Texas, the state's senior military official appointed by the governor, and is comprised of the Office of the Executive Director (formerly the Adjutant General's Department), the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG), the Texas Air National Guard (TXANG) and the Texas State Guard (TXSG).

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