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COMMUNITY NOTICE: Fort Benning weapons firing in the Northern Range Complex, August 2026

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FORT BENNING, Ga. – Weapons firing throughout the month includes Abrams Tanks, Bradley Fighting Vehicles, .50-caliber, and other small-arms. 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.

DATE	WEAPONS	FIRE TIME	RANGE
August 4-6, 19-20	Bradley, M240 MG	9 a.m. – midnight	Hastings
August 6-7, 28, 31	Abrams, Bradley, M240 MG	9 a.m. – midnight	Ware

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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