

U.S. Army Garrison Fort Hunter Liggett & Parks Reserve Forces Training Area April 10, 2020









Both installations are at HPCON C and there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 at FHL or PRFTA. Both installations have enhanced screening at gates, are keeping installations informed through a variety of communication platforms. Follow CDC guidelines for social distancing and wearing face masks when in public spaces.

APRIL IS THE MONTH OF MILITARY CHILD

Highlights for FHL: Mission essential work continues on post, and work continues both on post and via telework.

Highlights for PRFTA: Maj. Gen. A.C. Roper, Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Reserve, addresses Soldiers of the Urban Augmentation Medical Task Force (UAMTF) on Parks Reserve Forces Training Area, April 8 (top photo).

NOTE- Many photos in the attached storyboards were taken before the CDC face mask guidance.

FHL and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area provides base operations support enabling total force readiness while providing for the well-being and security of Soldiers, Family members and Civilians on post. It is the seventh largest Army installation and the largest Army Reserve installation in the country. Along with this bi-weekly storyboard, FHL & CPRFTA produces a variety of command information products which are available on the Defense Video & Imagery Distribution System (DVIDS). Produced by the FHL Public Affairs Office, Bldg 238 California Ave, Fort Hunter Liggett CA 93928. For additional info, click on icons on right.









PRFTA hosts Urban Augmentation Medical Task Force





Maj. Gen. A.C. Roper, Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Reserve, addresses Soldiers of the Urban Augmentation Medical Task Force (UAMTF) on Parks Reserve Forces Training Area, April 8, 2020. More than 160 Soldiers were called to duty as part of the 15 Medical Task Forces across the United States that have been activated to support COVID-19 effort nationwide. The task force consists of Soldiers who are nurses, doctors or medics, and will go into the community to support medical missions and are not setting up a clinic on post. PRFTA command staff and tenant units are providing UAMTF personnel support through training classrooms on the installation, barracks, and extended hours at PRFTA's dining facility and AAFES outlet. (Photos by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA Public Affairs)



Enhanced Measures at Front Gate for HPCON C









PHOTOS WERE TAKEN PRIOR TO CDC GUIDELINE TO WEAR FACE MASKS-GUARDS ARE NOW WEARING

MASKS. Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area have enhanced screening measures at the front gate to protect those living and working on post. People entering the post are asked to step out of the vehicle and are asked a series of questions such as 'have you or anyone in your family recently visited China?' Their temperatures are also measured. If anyone answers 'yes' to any of the questions or shows signs of a fever, they will be asked to pull over for further screening. These measures are to ensure the safety of the FHL community, and reduce the spread of COVID-19. Check installation COVID-19 webpages and Facebook pages for latest information and resources available. (Photos by PRFTA Command Sgt. Major Jason Johnson and Moira Trevisan, FHL Special Project Officer)







Month of Military Child: Overcoming Challenges



Since 1986, the Army has observed Month of the Military Child to recognize and honor the commitment, contributions and sacrifices military children make to our nation through the strength they provide our Soldiers and Families. This year's theme is "Overcoming Challenges: Adapting Today for a Stronger Tomorrow." Army children are equipped to adapt to present and future changes such as relocations, deployments, reintegration, and now, COVID-19. They deserve our respect and love for bearing the costs our nation demands of them without their choice. Children and Families are the force behind the force, supporting Soldiers as they focus on their mission in serving the nation. The Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area command teams salutes the children of both installations and are proud to have them as part of the Army Strong family. (Courtesy and FMWR photos - some pre-COVID-19)



Ready & Resilient through COVID-19 Crisis















Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area employees are staying ready and resilient by spending lots of time enjoying the outdoors, and keeping busy indoors with arts and crafts or working on long-procrastinated projects. Clockwise: FHL Deputy Commander Lt. Col. Jason McKenzie with his prize from a hunt at FHL. HHC 1st Sgt. Aaron Halter enjoying family time while getting exercise. Charquilla McGaffeny with PRFTA DPTMS making face masks. Ms. Lazzarini with FHL MWR honing her cooking skills. The King family keeping active with a game of hoops. Many others enjoying planting both indoors and outdoors. MWR is offering virtual fitness classes, the chaplains are offering virtual religious services and the Army Ready & Resilient website (https://readyandresilient.army.mil/index.html) has many resources for you to stay mentally, physically and spiritually fit. (Courtesy photos)



PX and Commissary continues much needed services





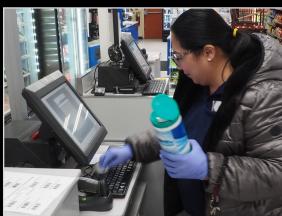












PHOTOS WERE TAKEN PRIOR TO CDC GUIDELINE TO WEAR FACE MASKS-STAFF ARE NOW WEARING

MASKS. Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area Post Exchange and FHL Commissary remain open to service those living and working on post. They are aggressively cleaning high-contact surfaces, limiting amount of customers in store at one time and ensuring social distancing at their facilities. Recent CDC and post commanders' guidelines require face masks to be worn in public spaces such as these stores. These photos were taken prior to the new guidance by CDC on face masks. Learn how the latest CDC guidelines here: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html. (Photos by PRFTA, FHL and PX staff)



LRC building gets facelift









The Logistics Readiness Center building at Fort Hunter Liggett is in the process of getting a much needed exterior facelift, also known as skinning. The 'before' photo illustrates the thousands of holes made by acorn woodpeckers throughout the years which compromised the walls. Several other buildings are being remodeled and the exterior portion of the facility is being updated from white to a desert beige color and includes increased energy efficiency. Every year several buildings will be brought up to the new standards according to the Master Planning requirements as explained by Angie Alleyne, the Engineer Technician and Contract Officer Representative overseeing the base-wide project. (Photos by Moira Trevisan, FHL Special Projects Officer)



Protecting Wildlife











It's bird nesting season, and a pair of red-tailed hawks have set up housekeeping at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area. Environmental staff want to remind people to avoid impacting bird nests — ranging from those of the tiny hummingbird to the large raptors, when pruning trees. Most birds are protected by the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and others have additional protections by the federal Endangered Species Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act, California's state-level Endangered Species Act, and other state laws and regulations. At Fort Hunter Liggett, slender salamanders are making an appearance when the ground is wet. They look like tiny worms but have mouths and little feet. During late winter and early spring, these salamanders can often be found under logs, stones, and even pine cones. Why does the Army care about these creatures? Our environmental divisions are tasked with protecting our natural and cultural heritage while maintaining mission-essential landscapes for training. It's a great partnership of stewardship and military readiness! (Photos by Mike Robinson, PRFTA and Jackie Hancock, FHL)







Commanders keep communities informed



Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area commanders are keeping their communities informed during the COVID-19 crisis using a wide range of communication platforms - emails, virtual town halls, social media, and COVID-19 webpages. Shown is PRFTA commander Lt. Col. Jennifer Nolan and Command Sgt. Major Jason Johnson providing information via a video posted on Facebook. Here are the main info resources for the garrison community: https://home.army.mil/liggett/, https://home.army.mil/parks/, https://hunterliggett.armymwr.com/, and https://parks.armymwr.com/. The garrison Facebook pages also provide up-to-date info: https://www.facebook.com/FortHunterLiggett, https://www.facebook.com/PRFTA/. (Photo by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA Public Affairs)



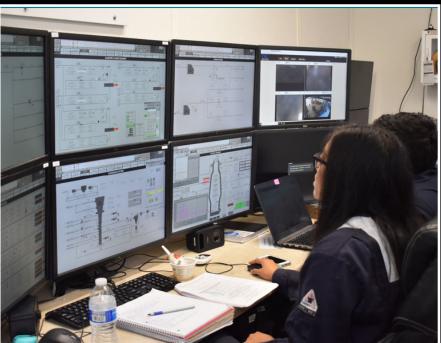
INFRASTRUCTURE

DPW inspects Sierra Energy gasifier









Directorate of Public Works staff recently visited Sierra Energy gasifier to collect information to complete an environmental review on Sierra Energy's operations at Fort Hunter Liggett. The review is to support the Army's National Environmental Policy Act compliance for activities on federal lands. The gasifier project began in 2017, as a collaboration between the Dept. of Defense, California Energy Commission and FHL. The waste-to-synthetic gas system has been brought online and all subsystems are undergoing testing. The system is monitored by a complex software to track things like oxygen and steam injection, feed and flow rates, and temperature and pressure readings. (Left photo by Moira Trevisan, FHL Special Projects Officer; right photo by Sierra Energy)