



1803 West Outer Road, Camp Edwards, MA 02542

Neighborhood Notice Detonations on Camp Edwards

<p>What: Ongoing Detonations of Military Munitions Where: On Camp Edwards Date: Beginning October 14 throughout the Fall Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.</p>

Dear Neighbor,

As part of its ongoing cleanup efforts, the US Army Environmental Command's Impact Area Groundwater Study Program uncovers unexploded munitions which need to be destroyed. This activity is occurring more frequently this fall as we use robotic equipment in areas where munitions have been fired. Therefore, there will be routine detonations over the next several weeks. Although the detonations are well within all appropriate safety buffers and there is no risk to residents of any nearby neighborhoods, it is possible the detonations may be heard off base.

The first detonations will occur on the J-1 Range, which is approximately 2,500 feet from the base boundary with Forestdale. Measures, which include sandbags, plywood barriers, and concrete barriers, will be used to contain the detonations and minimize the noise. Additional detonations of other munitions uncovered as part of the robotics demonstration are planned for other areas on the ranges over the next several weeks.

The Sandwich police department, fire department and town officials will be informed of these activities, which have been coordinated with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP).

For further information on the detonations, please contact Pamela Richardson with the Groundwater Study Program at 508-968-5630 or log on to groundwaterprogram.army.mil. Other points of contact for Impact Area Groundwater Study Program activities at the Massachusetts Military Reservation are: Kristina Curley, Groundwater Study Program, (508) 968-5626; Jim Murphy, EPA New England Region 1, (617) 918-1028; or Ellie Grillo, MassDEP, (508) 946-2866.