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## **Controlled Detonation Planned at Camp Navajo**

CAMP NAVAJO, ARIZ....A small controlled detonation of unexploded munitions is scheduled within the boundaries of the Camp Navajo Open Burn/Open Detonation Area. The detonations will occur between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. beginning Friday, August 19, and ending Friday, August 26, 2005. This area is at least two miles away from the nearest home.

In case of bad weather, the event will be rescheduled for the next good weather day. Bad weather includes heavy rain, lightning, or high winds.

Safety controls will be established prior to the detonation to assure the maximum public safety. When necessary, engineering controls will be used to minimize the blast and fragmentation, or scattering of debris. With these controls in place, there is no risk to residents of nearby areas. Specific procedures also will be followed to minimize impacts on bald eagles and Mexican spotted owls. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be involved during the detonation.

The National Guard Bureau has been working on an investigation and cleanup of the Camp Navajo Open Detonation/Open Burn Area in coordination with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. Also, Camp Navajo has established a set of procedures to keep neighbors fully informed of actions that might affect the community.

Visit the project web site, <http://www.CampNavajoEnvironmental.org>, for more information about the Open Burn/Open Detonation Area Closure Project.

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