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Fort Leonard Wood change of command set for June 7

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – The Maneuver Support Center of Excellence and Fort Leonard Wood are slated to host a change-of-command ceremony from 9:30-10:30 a.m. June. 7 on Gammon Field. Lt. Gen. David Halverson, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command deputy commander, is scheduled to preside over the ceremony where Brig. Gen. Mark Inch will relinquish command to Maj. Gen. Leslie Smith.

Inch leaves Fort Leonard Wood to be the deputy commanding general, detainee operations, Combined Joint Interagency Task Force 435, Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan.

Smith joins the command from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., where he served as the commanding general United States Army 20th Support Command CBRNE (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and High Yield Explosives).

Reporters interested in covering the ceremony are asked to contact the Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office at (573) 563-4145 no later than 4 p.m. Thursday, Jun. 6.

About Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains 80-90,000 military and civilians each year.

Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial Military Training brigades, one of only five reception stations in the Army, and the Army's largest Non Commissioned Officers Academy.

Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.

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