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Explosives training to be conducted this week at Camp Garfield

NEWTON FALLS, Ohio — Residents and business owners near Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center may notice the sounds of explosive blasts in the area this week.

The Ohio Army National Guard's 812th Engineer Company will be using high explosives during scheduled training exercises Tuesday and Wednesday (July 7-8), and the sound from the explosions may be heard farther away than usual. The training is an important part of military readiness and the explosives are used to simulate battle conditions.

Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center is an Ohio Army National Guard training site in Portage and Trumbull counties that consists of about 21,000 acres, with various small arms weapons ranges and permanent facilities to support individual and collective training events for both weekend and annual training.

Camp Garfield is undergoing major infrastructure improvements to become a world-class training center for Army and other Department of Defense units in the Midwestern U.S. Among the recent improvements is a fire and movement range and a new automated record fire range. Camp Garfield also features TADSS — an acronym for Training Aids, Devices, Simulators and Simulations — which is state-of-the-art digital training equipment that allows for realistic combat training without the logistical challenges of live-fire ranges.

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