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## Military convoys on Arkansas roads May 1- 8 ~ Motorists urged to use patience, caution around slow-moving heavy vehicles

- **WHO:** The Arkansas Army National Guard's 39<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team and supporting units
- **WHAT:** Will be traveling on Arkansas highways and interstates for week-long training at Fort Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center
- WHEN: Increased military traffic will be noticeable throughout the week of May 1-8.
- **WHERE:** The majority will transit to Fort Chafee Joint Maneuver Training Center along I-40 from Camp Robinson, but some subordinate units will transit along two-lane highways from armories around the state.

**WHY:** "We're alerting the public in advance because we want to avoid potential mishaps as these heavy trucks, equipment and Soldiers make their way to Fort Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center," said Lt. Col Brian Mason, the Arkansas National Guard's public affairs officer. "We encourage the public to plan accordingly and allow extra time in their travels, especially if those travels include traveling on I-40 and through construction zones."

The 39<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team is scheduled to train May 1-8 at Fort Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center for an upcoming Joint Readiness Training Center exercise later in the summer.

B-roll of convoy operations is available here: <u>https://www.dvidshub.net/video/689926/convoy-psa</u>.

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