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Media Advisory

4th Infantry Division and Fort Carson conduct Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise

FORT CARSON, Colo. – An Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise (EDRE) began at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Fort Carson to test the installation's capability to alert, recall and deploy a brigade-size element under emergency conditions.

The EDRE, directed by Maj. Gen. Matthew McFarlane, 4th Infantry Division and Fort Carson commanding general, will assess the 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, and Fort Carson's ability to rapidly deploy with little or no advanced notice.

EDRE's are routine training events in the U.S. Army and are not related to any ongoing political or military situation. The U.S. Army regularly conducts this type of training to ensure units are prepared to provide capable and agile forces to meet combatant commander requirements.

This exercise will help commanders ensure personnel and equipment can stay ready, while adhering to Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Department of Defense guidelines regarding safety and social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic. Safety and mitigation measures have been developed and will be implemented in order to prevent the spread of the virus, while Soldiers train to fight and win on the battlefield.

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