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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE AREA DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATES FORT DEVENS, MASSACHUSETTS

AGENCY:

Installation Management Command (IMCOM) and Fort Devens Reserve Forces Training Area (RFTA)

SUMMARY:

An Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared to analyze the impacts that could result from the implementation of the 2021 Area Development Plan (ADP), which provides updates to the 2013 ADP for Fort Devens RFTA, Devens, Massachusetts. The ADP Update enables Fort Devens RFTA to make the best use of available land and facilities to support the Army Reserve mission and ensures future operational requirements are met. The EA considers the potential consequences to the human and natural environment associated with the proposed updates to the 2013 (ADP) for Devens (RFTA). The 2021 ADP Update presents the following: 1) an overall vision statement, goals, and objectives for the installation; 2) requirements for facilities and infrastructure projects based on current conditions, mission and base personnel; 3) an evaluation of potential courses of action to address defined requirements and deficiencies; and 4) a preferred alternative for short-, mid-, and long-term actions and capital projects.

DATES:

Agencies and the public are encouraged to provide written comments on the Draft EA and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI). The Draft EA and Draft FNSI are available for 30 days of public review and comment at the following libraries:

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The 30-day public comment period for the Draft EA ends on 04/06/2022.

ADDRESSES:

Further information, including an electronic copy of the Draft EA, may be found online on the following website: <http://home.army.mil/devens/index.php>

Written comments will be received and considered for 30 days after the publication of this notice. Questions or comments concerning the Draft EA should be directed to: Morgan M. McGrath, P.E. Chief, Environmental Division, Physical Address: 30 Quebec St. Bldg. 666, Room 307, Devens, MA 01434-4479. Mailing Address: 30 Quebec St. Bldg. 666, Box 10, Devens, MA 01434-4479 Office (Direct): (978) 615-6095.

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