To:

Neighboring Businesses and Residents of the Kenneth A. Kesselring Site

Subject:

Reopening of the Outdoor Firing Range at the Kenneth A. Kesselring Site

Date:

March 7, 2024

We are writing to inform you of the Naval Nuclear Laboratory's intent to re-activate the outdoor firing range at the Kesselring Site this Spring. We believe it is important for you to know what to expect once the firing range reopens and have contact information should you have any questions.

The Kesselring Site's outdoor firing range was initially activated in 1978 and utilized until 1991 as the primary firing range for training of the Knolls Laboratory and Kesselring Site Protective Forces. The outdoor firing range was placed in an inactive status when an indoor firing range was brought online in 1991. The need to refurbish the indoor firing range has necessitated a transition back to the outdoor firing range. The outdoor firing range will be placed in service mid-March 2024. It is expected that the outdoor range will be in use until at least 2026/2027, and there will likely be intermittent use after the indoor range is re-opened.

Outdoor firing range operations will primarily be conducted on weekdays, but business needs will require some weekend operations. The firing range will be used two times per year over a several week period for bi-annual qualification and infrequently at other points during the year for routine proficiency training. During those periods, the outdoor firing range will normally be in service between 7 AM and 10 PM. A map is included which shows the location of the outdoor firing range on the Kesselring Site property in relation to the surrounding community.

Naval Nuclear Laboratory Protective Force will provide notification to the Saratoga County Sheriff's Department when the range will be operational.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, we encourage you to contact our Public Affairs Office at (518) 395-4413 or via email at NNLPublicAffairs@unnpp.gov.

Regards,

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Kesselring Outdoor Firing Range Operations: Proposed Social Media Content for Use by Municipalities

To help the Town of Galway, Village of Galway, and Town of Milton communicate with residents about operation of the Kesselring Site outdoor firing range, the following content can be used on municipal social media platforms to inform residents about the re-opening of the outdoor firing range and provide contact information should they have any questions or concerns.

Written Content

The Naval Nuclear Laboratory will re-activate the outdoor firing range at the Kesselring Site this Spring (mid-March). The Kesselring Site's outdoor firing range was initially activated in 1978 and utilized until 1991 as the primary firing range for training of the Knolls Laboratory and Kesselring Site Protective Forces. The outdoor firing range was placed in an inactive status when an indoor firing range was brought online in 1991. The need to refurbish the indoor firing range has necessitated a transition back to the outdoor firing range.

The map below shows the location of the outdoor firing range on the Kesselring Site property in relation to the surrounding community.

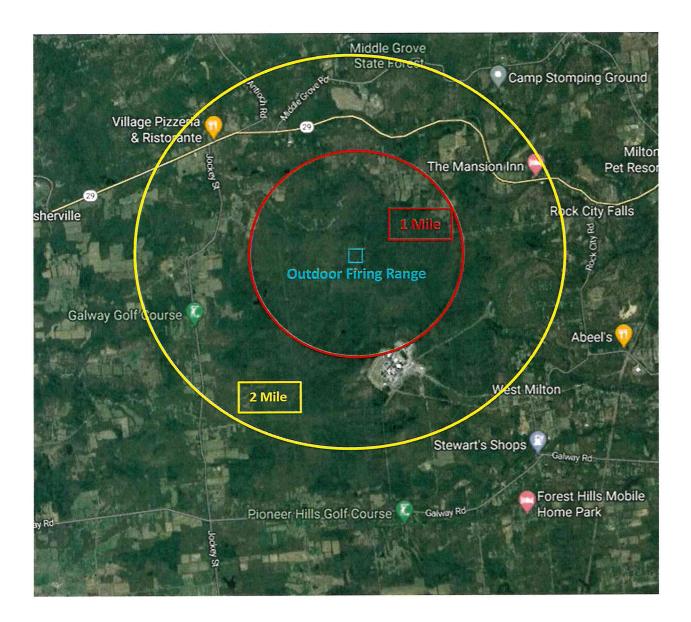


Outdoor firing range operations will primarily be conducted on weekdays, but business needs will require some weekend operations. During those periods, the outdoor firing range will normally be in service no earlier than 7 AM and conclude by 10 PM.

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This page includes the satellite view included in the mailing and is provided here for your use as you see fit.



The red circle is at a one-mile radius, this radius is approximately the distance that the sound of small arms fire will travel. The yellow circle is at two miles, the approximate limit for the sound of rifles and other larger arms.

Option 1:



The outdoor firing range at the Kesselring Site will be in use

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(Phone line staffed 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)



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