



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### ***Ribbon cutting, one of the most efficient water treatment facilities in the U.S. Army***

**FORT IRWIN, Calif.** — The National Training Center and Fort Irwin will host a ribbon cutting ceremony for one of the most efficient water treatment facilities in the U.S. Army, known as Irwin Water Works, here, Thurs., Oct 13.

This event is an important milestone for the National Training Center. The new plant will save years of California aquifer supply, keeping the Army's crown jewel of combat training center's operating for years to come and continue to build readiness today for tomorrow's challenges.

The plant is so efficient, that for every gallon of water pulled from the Mojave Desert aquifers, the Fort Irwin community will have one gallon of water to drink. The new facility is designed to treat 6 million gallons per day and remove contaminants found in Fort Irwin's ground water, in conformance with federal and state requirements.

The Los Angeles District awarded the \$100.1 million construction contract on Sept. 12, 2012 and work began July 15, 2013.

**Event date and time: Oct. 13, 2016 at 10 A.M.**

**Event location: Fort Irwin, Calif., 92310**

**Tour of the facility after the ceremony.**

About the National Training Center at Fort Irwin: Located approximately 37 miles northeast of Barstow, Calif., in the High Mojave Desert, between Las Vegas and Los Angeles. The NTC provides world class training to joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multi-national units preparing for deployment to any operating environment across the world. The scenario and training area at the NTC matches the real-world operating environment. Our enduring priorities are to: train for the warfight; care for Soldiers and Families; forge partnerships, and; preserve the all-volunteer force. Military units on the installation include the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, 916th Support Brigade and Operations Group; all are dedicated to training America's warfighters for combat. The NTC conducts 10, 28-day training rotations per year. Approximately 50,000 Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines were trained in fiscal year 2015.

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