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### Vermont Army National Guard Returns from JRTC

The Vermont Army National Guard will be downloading rail cars in Burlington as equipment returns from our Joint Readiness Training Center Rotation in Fort Polk, LA. Rail operations will take place at the Burlington Rail Yard from June 5 to possibly June 8. There will be a higher impact on traffic than our previous rail operation as small convoys will be moving from the Burlington Rail Yard to Camp Johnson during the day.

“We are happy to have everyone home, but we must remain diligent to get all our equipment back to its proper location and in a high state of readiness,” said Col. Nathan Lord, commander, 86<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team (MTN). “One last effort and we can officially close out JRTC rotation 19-07 as a resounding success.”

JRTC is the largest training exercise available for Infantry Brigade Combat Teams. Over 5,000 Soldiers from 18 states and territories participated in the exercise. JRTC simulates a deployed environment where Soldiers are put into high stress situations. Nearly all Vermonters have returned from Fort Polk, LA.

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