MEMORANDUM FOR Fort Sill Fishermen, Hunters, and Other Recreational Users

SUBJECT: Cantonment Opportunities during COVID-19 Safety Measures during the Health and Safety Stand Down.

1. Due to ongoing safety measures relating to the COVID-19 crisis, all recreational range access (to include Turkey season) is closed until further notice.

2. Hiking may continue on Fort Sill, but is excluded in all impact areas and active ranges.

3. Fishing will be allowed in the cantonment area following appropriate state regulations, to include proper licensing in accordance with Oklahoma state law. However, the requirement to have a Fort Sill fishing permit is waived until further notice.

4. Cantonment fishing ponds include Miner Twins, East Miner, Artillery and Ammo. Owl and Mascot are cantonment fishing ponds reserved for non-ambulatory and youth aged 15 years and under. A responsible non-fishing adult must supervise children 12 years and under while they are fishing.

5. Cantonment creek fishing includes two creeks. Medicine Creek is open from Medicine Bluffs east to I-44. Cache Creek is open from Hoyle Bridge south to Pig Farm Crossing. Fishermen must fish from the west (or south) side of the creek. Fishing west of Hoyle Bridge to I-44 is closed due to potential training conflicts.

6. Lake Elmer Thomas Recreational Area (LETRA) is open to both bank and boat fishing. Bank fishing is restricted to LETRA as pictured on the natural resources map. Bank fishing from the training area portion (F2) is closed.

7. Fishing in locations outside the cantonment area and outside of the impact area are at the risk of the individual.

8. Violators may be subject to criminal penalty. Non-compliance can be reported to (580) 442-3364.

9. This memorandum supersedes any previously published guidance, and will remain in effect until further notice.
10. Point of contact for this action is Mr. Christopher Deurmyer, Supervisory Natural Resources Administrator. He can be reached at commercial (580) 442-4324 or via email at christopher.w.deurmyer.civ@mail.mil.

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