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Rockenbach Gate set to open, Reece scheduled to close following week

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE – Fort Meade will be shifting its access control points starting Monday when the Rockenbach Gate will open to traffic and the Reece Road ACP will adjust hours prior to closing the following week.

After nearly a decade of work, the Rockenbach Gate along MD 175 will be opened from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday. The gate will be closed on weekends.

The Rockenbach ACP serves as a primary access point for residents on the west side of the installation. The newly renovated gate is for DOD ID card holders only. Visitors are required to obtain a pass from the Visitor Control Center prior to entering the installation.

Final details like striping will be completed while the gate is in operation during the next one to two weeks. Once fully complete, the new entrance will feature two entrance lanes and state-of-the-art security measures that will help ensure individuals can get on and off the installation efficiently and safely.

“Another advantage to the \$12.4M project is the large queuing area that will help keep traffic off Route 175,” said Lt. Col Allan Floyd, Fort Meade’s Deputy Garrison Commander for Transformation.

In conjunction with this move, the hours of the Reece Road gate will reduce to 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. starting March 15. On March 19 at 1 p.m., the Reece Road gate will close and remain closed to facilitate the completion of a \$30M renovation project. The Reece Road ACP renovation is scheduled to continue into 2024.

During the construction, the Visitor Control Center at 902 Reece Road, will remain open from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, and continue to process visitor passes during regular office hours.

“It has been a long wait but the final product is a well-constructed and secure access control point that will serve the Fort Meade community well,” said Floyd. “As one of the last projects I will see completed during my time at Fort Meade, I’m proud to see it open”

The gate at Mapes Road and HWY 175 will remain the installation 24/7 gate. The gate at Mapes Road and HWY 32 is not impacted by these changes.

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BACKGROUND

Fort Meade is the Nation's Platform for Intelligence, Information and Cyber Operations. With more than 69,000 employees representing each branch of military service, Fort Meade is the largest employer in the state of Maryland and the Army's second largest installation based on population. Some of the Fort's 119 tenant organizations include US Cyber Command, The National Security Agency, Defense Information Systems Agency, Defense Media Activity and federal agencies including the Architect of the Capitol and the Environmental Protection Agency.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Fort Meade enforces our mask policy throughout the installation. For questions regarding this story, contact Mary Doyle in the Fort Meade Public Affairs Office at (571) 205-8997 or mary.l.doyle14.civ@mail.mil.

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