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## **Director of the Army National Guard to visit Alaska this week**

**JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, Alaska** — Lt. Gen. Timothy Kadavy, Director of the Army National Guard, will visit Alaska Jan. 10 - 13, including stops at JBER and Ft. Greely, and in Bethel, Napaskiak and Valdez.

Media are invited to attend the Alaska Army National Guard town hall meeting on Sunday, Jan. 10 at 1 p.m., where Lt. Gen. Kadavy will address members of the Alaska Army National Guard who will be working during their monthly drill weekend.

While hosting the visit, leaders in the Alaska National Guard will share with Lt. Gen. Kadavy the unique challenges and capabilities of their organization in an effort to garner support for revitalization of the Guard and growth of the Alaska State Defense Force in rural Alaska.

“Lower 48 sensibilities simply don’t apply here, and there’s no better way to learn that than to see Alaska firsthand, visit the many different facilities and installations across the state, and most importantly, talk to Alaska Guardsmen one-on-one,” said Brig. Gen. Laurie Hummel, adjutant general of the Alaska National Guard.

There will also be a media opportunity in Bethel on Tuesday, Jan. 12. Details will be included in a subsequent advisory.

Lt. Gen. Kadavy’s military biography: <http://www.nationalguard.mil/Leadership/DARNG.aspx>.

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### **Details:**

**What:** Director of the Army National Guard, Lt. Gen. Timothy Kadavy, speaks to Guardsmen during a Town Hall

**When:** Sunday, Jan. 10, 12:45 p.m. meet at gate, 1:15 p.m. town hall start

**Where:** Alaska National Guard Armory, JBER-Richardson

**Note:** Media interested in attending the town hall must call Lt. Col. Olmstead’s direct line at 907-428-6030 to RSVP *no later than 10 a.m., Sun. Jan. 10*. Please leave a message with name, affiliation, and cell phone number. Plan to meet at the JBER-Richardson gate visitor’s center at 12:45 p.m. for escort to the event. Lt. Gen. Kadavy may be available briefly after the event for interviews.