

Staff Report

Report From: Michaela Johnston, CEMC, Accessibility and Health & Safety Manager

Meeting Date: April 29, 2024

Subject: Military Exercise, May 3 – 5, 2024

Attachment(s): N/A

Recommendation:

That Goderich Town Council receive this report for information.

Report Summary:

A military exercise is planned for Huron and Bruce Counties on May 3 – 5, 2024. As part of this exercise, there will be approximately 120 military personnel in Goderich during that weekend. They will be performing wellness checks as part of the emergency exercise. This will entail soldiers going door-to-door throughout the community and speaking with residents to simulate what would happen if they were asked to check on the well-being of residents during an actual emergency.

It is important to note that residents should not be alarmed by the presence of military personnel in the area. This exercise is a routine training operation and is not indicative of any emergency or threat to public safety.

All measures are being taken to ensure minimum inconvenience to those in the area. Members of the public are being asked to take extra caution if approaching military vehicles and troops.

Background/Analysis:

The Town's CEMC and the CEMC for Huron County have been involved in the planning of this military exercise. The Town has provided information to residents through social media and a webpage and will continue to advise residents of the upcoming military presence through various means.

Linkages:

- Corporate Strategic Plan Priority #4: Good Government

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

There are no financial impact associated with this report.

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