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EOD to detonate old shell at Woolmarket

GULFPOR, Miss. – At approximately 9 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 26, Explosive Ordnance Disposal technicians from Fort Polk, La. will be at Woolmarket Gun and Rifle Range off highway 67 destroying a recently discovered World War II era shell.

Currently, only one explosion is set to take place; however, if all materials are not rendered safe by the first, a second explosion might be needed.

The range is operated by the U.S. Navy and is used to train military personnel in weapons usage. In January a contractor completed remediation to remove lead fragments from the soil. They discovered and destroyed several old shells at that time.

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Media note: Unfortunately, there will NOT be an opportunity to cover this event on site. Please make announcement for the benefit of local residents.

For more information, please contact the NCBC Gulfport Public Affairs Office at 228-871-2699 or 701-330-1169.