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NEWS TIPS

Wednesday, Sept. 21, Spearfish, 10 a.m. (MDT) – 842nd Engineer Company Deployment

Ceremony: An activation ceremony for the South Dakota Army National Guard's 842nd Engineer Company will be held at 10 a.m. (MDT), Wednesday, Sept. 21, at the Donald E. Young Center on the Black Hills State University campus in Spearfish. The public is encouraged to attend. Nearly 160 Soldiers of the Northern Hills-based 842nd will be activated for a year-long deployment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. The 842nd's mission is to provide horizontal construction and engineering support, such as building and maintaining roads, developing airfields, emplacing force protection measures, and limited clearing operations. For more information, please contact Maj. Brendan Murphy at (605) 737-6721 or cell (605) 431-8753, or e-mail brendan.murphy1@us.army.mil.