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NJARNG Deploys Soldiers, Helicopters to Support Wildfire Operations in Louisiana

WHO: 1-150th Assault Helicopter Battalion, New Jersey Army National Guard
WHAT: **Eight Soldiers and two UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters** depart for wildfire support [to aid the Louisiana National Guard and its interagency partners](#)
WHERE: NJARNG Army Aviation Support Facility, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, 780 Rounds Road, Lakehurst, NJ
WHEN: 7 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 2, 2023

Eight Soldiers and two UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters from the 1-150th Assault Helicopter Battalion, New Jersey Army National Guard are preparing to support firefighting operations in western Louisiana. They will join multiple states' Guard assets as state and local agencies work to contain the [largest wildfires in Louisiana history](#).

"The Emergency Management Assistance Compact is the mechanism which enables states to share critical resources," said Brig. Gen. Lisa J. Hou, D.O., The Adjutant General of New Jersey. "New Jersey National Guard is proud to be able to answer the call to help our neighbors in need. That's what we do."

Media are invited to film and photograph the unit's activities at the AASF, Saturday, Sept. 2, 2023. Interview subjects from the New Jersey National Guard may be made available upon request. Please note that mission times are subject to change. Interested media must provide date of birth and driver's license number to ensure base access and are requested to RSVP no later than 12:00 p.m., Friday, Sept. 1, 2023 to the point of contact above.