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## News Release

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### **Ceremony Scheduled to Recognize Pauls Valley Armory is Ready for Reuse**

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) announced today that the former Pauls Valley National Guard Armory is now ready for reuse by Garvin County. A special ceremony to recognize the property transfer and cleanup completion will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, April 10, 2015, at the armory located at 1001 N. Ash St. in Pauls Valley.

Armories such as the Pauls Valley facility were cleaned up as part of DEQ's Site Cleanup Assistance Program (SCAP). Through that program, DEQ evaluates and remediates environmental hazards at surplus National Guard armories. The cleanups allow armories to be safely transferred to local governmental entities.

Environmental issues common to many of the facilities are contamination from indoor firing ranges, lead-based paint, and asbestos. DEQ works closely with local community leaders to ensure their needs are met and these potential hazards are properly remediated prior to reuse.

Cleanups are conducted in cooperation with the Oklahoma Military Department and the Division of Capital Assets Management. More information on SCAP is available at [www.deq.state.ok.us/LPDnew/scapIndex.htm](http://www.deq.state.ok.us/LPDnew/scapIndex.htm).

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