

OPORD: SEMPER PACIFICA

Event: Semper Pacifica — USMC 250th Birthday & 80th Anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima (Living Commemoration / Tactical Shoot)

Date: 8 November 2025

Produced by: High Plains Outfitters, in cooperation with Task Force Garrison (501(c)(3))

Location: Nevada Firearms Academy (NFA) — Main Classroom Building & East Ranges

Assembly / Start: 07:30

Close / Dismissal: 15:45

1. SITUATION

a. **Background.** High Plains Outfitters (HPO) produces *Semper Pacifica* in cooperation with Task Force Garrison (501(c)(3)). This WWII Pacific-themed living commemoration and tactical shoot follows Nevada Firearms Academy (NFA) range SOPs and HPO event standards. The event supports Task Force Garrison and honors the USMC 250th birthday and the 80th Anniversary of Iwo Jima.

b. **OPFOR Note.** Any opposing force references are imaginary (Ghost IJN/IJA). There are **no actors**. Period-correct uniforms are encouraged but not required. Modern weapons are welcome. A LARP Award will be presented for best replica uniform. Participants must be respectful in portrayal and conduct at all times.

c. **Threat.** Standard event hazards: negligent weapons handling, hearing damage, heat/stress, slips/trips, vehicle incidents, medical emergencies, and weather. Site-specific hazards: range crossing points, uneven east-range terrain, tent storage risk.

d. **Friendly Forces.** Task Force Garrison; High Plains Outfitters staff; Nevada Firearms Academy Range Staff; Range Master; RSOs; on-site medical/BAS; vendors; videographer and media (under Media SOP).

e. Key Site Info.

- **Main Event Hub (Breakfast, Sign-in, Initial Safety Brief, Cake Ceremony, Awards, Closing):** NFA Main Classroom Building (behind main public firing line).
- **Live-Fire Courses:** East side of NFA property (Basilone Alley static range & supporting bays).
- **Main Restrooms:** Behind main firing line, west side of two-story maintenance building.
- **Sani Hut:** East range (available).
- **East-Range Wall Tents:** Two wall tents: **HQ** and **BAS** (Battalion Aid Station). Storage permitted in tents for participants/vendors **at your own risk**.

2. MISSION

On 8 November 2025, High Plains Outfitters, in cooperation with Task Force Garrison (501(c)(3)), will conduct *Semper Pacifica* at Nevada Firearms Academy to honor the USMC 250th Birthday and commemorate Iwo Jima through safe, respectful, historically informed live-fire courses and living-commemoration activities, concluding with a cake ceremony and awards by 15:00 and dismissal by 15:45.

3. EXECUTION

Concept of Operations

Registration & breakfast at Main Classroom → Welcome & general safety brief → ammo distribution → staggered move to East Ranges → site-specific RSO brief → live-fire operations (east side) → chow → return to Main Classroom for cake & awards → closing and accountability.

Timeline (8 Nov 2025)

- **07:30** — Breakfast opens; sign-in & participant packets at **Main Classroom Building**. Ammo distribution begins.
- **08:00** — Welcome, general safety brief, final sign-in, ammo distro cutoff (Main Classroom). All participants must attend.
- **08:30** — Move to East Ranges (staggered by bay assignment; staff will direct).
- **09:00** — Quarters for F4U Corsair gun run (tribute observance). Weapons cleared per RSO instruction.
- **09:15** — Site-specific safety briefs at each east-range bay (RSO-led). Ranges commence after briefs.
- **09:30 – 15:00** — Live-fire operations on East Side (Basilone Alley & support bays).
- **12:00** — Chow (staggered to maintain range safety; RSOs supervise).
- **15:00** — Cake ceremony & awards at **Main Classroom Building**. All weapons secured/safed prior to assembly.
- **15:45** — Closing remarks and dismissal after final accountability and range inspection.

Tasks by Element

- **Event Commander (HPO Lead):** Overall authority for event conduct, safety holds, and media approvals; liaison with Task Force Garrison and NFA leadership.
- **Range Master / Range Control:** Tactical control of ranges and range safety; authority to suspend firing; coordinates medical evacuations; receives serious incident reports on Channel 4.
- **Chief Range Safety Officer (CRSO — Lumberjack Actual):** Senior safety officer; enforces SOPs; coordinates RSOs.
- **East Range Safety Officer (ERSO — Crayon Actual):** Supervises east-range RSOs and east-side operations.

- **Range RSOs (Romeo One / Two / Three):** RSO presence and facility-level enforcement on Range 1/2/3 respectively.
- **Medical / BAS (Band Aid Actual):** BAS tent staffed as primary casualty stabilization point on east ranges; coordinates transport to EMS.
- **Admin:** Sign-in, participant packets, ammo distro logs, LARP entry forms, award logistics.
- **Participants & Vendors:** Attend briefs, comply with RSOs, secure weapons per instruction during non-live times, respect historical conduct guidance, and use tent storage at own risk.

Rules / Safety Controls

- **PPE:** Eye and hearing protection required on all ranges at all times.
- **Weapon Condition for Ceremonies:** At the F4U quarters, cake ceremony, and awards all weapons must be unloaded, actions open, magazines removed where applicable; holstered pistols secured per RSO direction.
- **Ammo Distribution:** Only at designated distro station following ID & waiver check. No private distribution without Range Master approval. Allowed caliber list posted in Annex B.
- **Range Status / Emergency:** “CEASE FIRE” (verbal) + Channel 4 radio call + red smoke if needed. Serious injuries reported immediately to Range Master on Channel 4.
- **Transit Safety:** Use designated crossing points between Main Classroom and East Ranges. RSOs will manage crossings and vehicle flow. Do not cross active firing lines.
- **Tent Storage:** HQ and BAS tents may be used for short-term storage **at participant/vendor risk**. Label items; HPO/NFA not responsible for loss/damage.
- **Conduct:** Respectful historical portrayal only. No modern political statements, hate symbols, slurs, or offensive imagery. LARP Award criteria emphasize historical accuracy and respect.
- **Alcohol & Drugs:** Zero tolerance during live-fire. Violators removed and reported to authorities. Alcohol only allowed if/where venue policy permits and only after ranges are cold and cleared.

4. ADMINISTRATION & LOGISTICS

Check-In / Participant Packets

- Sign-in and waiver collection at **Main Classroom Building** from 07:30. Participant packet includes schedule, range map, LARP entry form, and safety card. Admin maintains roster and ammo logs.

Medical / Evacuation

- BAS tent on east range served by **Band Aid Actual** is the primary stabilization point for east-side incidents. Secondary casualty collection at Main Classroom for transport. Range

Master coordinates EMS and notifies Event Commander. Evacuation routes and nearest hospital ETAs included in Annex C.

Facilities

- **Main Restrooms:** West side behind the two-story maintenance building (behind main firing line).
- **Sani Hut:** East range.
- **HQ & BAS Wall Tents:** Positioned on east ranges. HQ for admin/staging; BAS for medical. Storage permitted at owner's risk. Signage will identify tents clearly.

Food & Water

- Breakfast served at 07:30 (Main Classroom). Chow at 12:00 staggered to maintain range continuity. Water stations available on-site; hydration encouraged.

Vehicles & Parking

- Follow Annex E parking plan. Staff will direct traffic to avoid crossing active ranges. Vehicles moving between main area and east side must follow speed limits and staff directions.

Media & Photography

- Professional videographer on-site; media must adhere to Annex H Media & Historical Conduct Guidance. All imagery must be respectful; Event Commander reserves right to remove or restrict content deemed inappropriate.

Awards

- Cake ceremony & awards at 15:00 (Main Classroom). LARP Award (best replica uniform) judged on historical accuracy, craftsmanship, and respectfulness. Winners announced at awards.

5. COMMAND & SIGNAL

Primary Radio Channel: Channel 4 (range operations & emergencies)

Backup Communications: Staff cell phones; loudspeaker at Main Classroom Building

Emergency Signal: Verbal "CEASE FIRE" + Channel 4 broadcast; red smoke for emergency ground response

CALL SIGNS

- **Range Control (Main Line):** Range Control
- **Chief Range Safety Officer (CRSO):** Lumberjack Actual

- **East Range Safety Officer (ERSO):** Crayon Actual
- **Range 1:** Romeo One
- **Range 2:** Romeo Two
- **Range 3:** Romeo Three
- **Medical / BAS:** Band Aid Actual

Succession of Command: Event Commander → Range Master / Range Control → CRSO (Lumberjack Actual) → ERSO (Crayon Actual) → Range RSOs (Romeo One / Two / Three). Band Aid Actual coordinates medical traffic with Range Control.

ANNEXES (to be attached / completed)

- **Annex A — Event Schedule & Range Assignments** (detailed block times per bay; staff assignments).
- **Annex B — Range SOPs & Allowed Calibers / Course of Fire** (magazine/round limits, target arrays).
- **Annex C — Safety Plan & Emergency Response** (BAS layout, evacuation routes, nearest hospital contact/ETA).
- **Annex D — Staff Roster & Contact List** (include call signs, names, phones).
- **Annex E — Maps & Parking Plan** (Main Classroom, east-range tent coordinates HQ & BAS, restroom & Sani Hut locations, crossing points).
- **Annex F — Participant Packet Template** (waiver, range brief sign-off, LARP entry).
- **Annex G — Ammo Distribution Log & Accountability Forms.**
- **Annex H — Media & Historical Conduct Guidance** (photographer rules, respectful portrayal clause, right to remove content).
- **Annex I — LARP Award Criteria & Entry Form.**