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January training, convoy and hunting advisory for Pohakuloa Training Area (PTA)

Pōhakuloa Training Area, Hilo, Hawaii (Jan. 3, 2021) — Military units are scheduled to conduct essential training activities at Pōhakuloa Training Area (PTA) in January that may be heard by surrounding communities.

Essential training is subject to change based on safety, weather and other environmental factors. Weather, such as overcast conditions can increase noise and vibrations. Should individuals hear noise, there is no immediate danger.

For the community's awareness, the planned training is as follows:

- Jan. 8 Hawaii Army National Guard small arms training
- Jan. 10-18 Army (Reserves) mortar live fire training
- Jan. 13-24 Army small arms and convoy live fire training
- Jan. 14-16 Hawaii Army National Guard small arms training
- Jan. 18-31 Army Unmanned Aircraft Systems, or UAS, training
- Jan 24-28 Marine UXO surface clearance

The following military convoys are planned during January:

- Jan.11 & 13 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Kawaihae Harbor to PTA
- Jan. 25 & 27 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. PTA to Kawaihae Harbor

There are no hunting opportunities currently planned for January. If the situation changes, an additional advisory will be published.

UAS training can occur 24 hours a day, seven days a week on PTA in the restricted airspace.

Protecting the health of the force and the community continue to be the Army's top priority as Hawaii service members maintain mission readiness. All mission essential training requires adherence to Department of Defense and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines regarding safety and physical distancing, to include the wearing of masks and frequent sanitization. ARMY 2-2-2

The military appreciates the understanding and continued support of the Hawaii Island community. While sometimes loud, this training is critical to ensure military units and service members are ready to accomplish their mission and return home safely.

To report concerns related to noise or training, contact U.S. Army Hawaii's Community Concern Line at (808) 656-3487 or usarmy.hawaii.comrel@mail.mil. Concerns are responded to during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

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The U.S. Army at PTA produces this monthly schedule to alert neighbors of upcoming training activities that are louder in nature and may be heard outside the military installation. This schedule is subject to change and is not inclusive of all Army aviation/unmanned aircraft system (UAS) activities. To receive Army training advisories directly, email <u>usarmy.hawaii.comrel@mail.mil</u> with "Subscribe Training" in the subject line.