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U.S. Army continues to battle fire at Makua

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD, Hawaii (Aug. 20, 2022) — Department of the Army firefighters remain engaged fighting the wildfire burning at Makua Military Reservation, today.

The fire began at approximately 12:30 p.m. yesterday, near the south ridge of the reservation.

Currently, approximately 120 acres have burned and is approximately 50% contained with responders working to suppress and contain the fire. There was no active training or activities were taking place in the area. The cause of the fire is under investigation. Army assets committed to the fight include:

- Six Fire Fighters from Schofield Barracks
- Two fire engines
- Two UH-60 Blackhawks from the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade
- One contracted helicopter

Residents and motorists near Makua Military Reservation may see smoke in the sky, but there is no threat to nearby facilities or people at this time.

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