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UPDATE

There will be extensive military aircraft operations at Hilo International Airport and Bradshaw Army Airfield from 26 Oct. thru 16 Nov. as part of the #25thID Joint Pacific Multinational Readiness Center (JPMRC) exercise. Aircrafts may land/takeoff during early morning or latenight hours. Convoys may travel from Hilo or Kawaihae Dock to PTA. The military appreciates the understanding and continued support of the community as there may be occasional traffic congestion and increased noise due to training activities and military aircrafts.

October-November Pōhakuloa Training Area (PTA) Activities

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TRAINING:

Tropic Lightning Soldiers from across the 25th Infantry Division will participate in a largescale readiness training exercise called the Joint Pacific Multinational Readiness Center (JPMRC) 24-01, Nov. 1-10, primarily on the islands of Oahu and Hawai'i. JPMRC 24-01 is a regional combat training center (CTC) rotation that will generate readiness for combatcredible formations, primarily in America's Pacific Division, and is a key way that Army forces engage in a joint environment with our regional allies and partners. For more info, contact the 25th ID Public Affairs Office at 808-220-4478, 808-787-5851 or <u>usarmy.schofield.25-</u> <u>id.mbx.25id-pao@army.mil</u>.

Please be aware there may be an increase in traffic and noise. Many convoys traveling from Kawaihae Dock to PTA are expected starting October 14 through end of month for incoming troops and equipment which will be staggered throughout the day and evenings. Convoys from PTA to Kawaihae Dock will occur late November when the training is complete. More information will be provided later this month.

In addition, the 11th Airborne Division will be conducting mass-tactical jump operations which includes hundreds of paratroopers jumping out of C17s in the Keamuku Maneuver Area. There will be significant air traffic during the end of October through early November. Units from Alaska and Hawai'i will train together to build jump proficiency and enhance joint partnership.

The military appreciates the understanding and continued support of the community. We ask you to use caution and not weave in-out of convoys for your safety, as well as the troops. 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 convoys or training, contact the Public Affairs Office at (808) 824-1474 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

HUNTING

There will be NO HUNTING opportunities during October-November due to heavy training activities. Check <u>https://pta.isportsman.net</u> for future hunting opportunities.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENTS

PTA is participating in the October 14 <u>Waimea Fall Festival</u> with military aircrafts and information booth. Public is invited to join the festivities and learn more about PTA and engage with Soldiers and Marines.

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