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Upcoming Events

- **Extended Drinking Water Monitoring Booths:** July 16, Kapilina Beach Homes Night Market, 5440 Edgewater Drive, from 4-8 p.m.



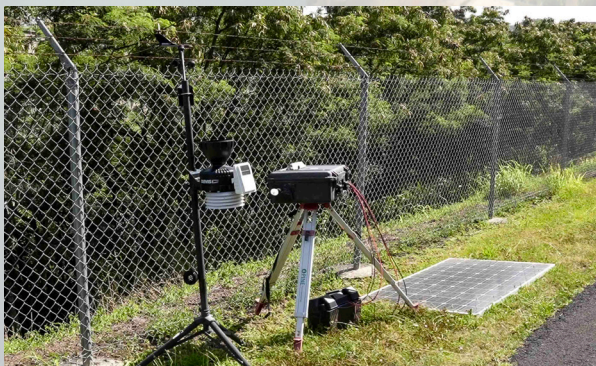
Navy, NASA Host Public Meetings This Week on Kauai for Draft EIS

The Navy and NASA are hosting public meetings this week on Kauai to share information and collect feedback on the joint Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) that evaluates the potential environmental impacts of proposed real estate agreements with the State of Hawaii for the Pacific Missile Range Facility and the Kōke'e Park Geophysical Observatory. The meetings include information stations, a presentation that is broadcast live online, and public comment opportunities.



Navy, Air Force Volunteers Build Wall to Protect Hawaiian Burial Vault

More than 30 Navy and Air Force personnel on Monday resumed building a protective wall around the Halealoha Haleamau (House of Aloha, House of Eternity) burial vault on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam using the traditional Hawaiian method of dry stacking, where stones are carefully placed together without the use of mortar. Built in 1997, Halealoha Haleamau is a replica of a traditional Hawaiian burial platform to permanently house Native Hawaiian iwi kupuna recovered from the installation.



Ventilation Process Starts on 7th Red Hill Fuel Tank

Navy Closure Task Force-Red Hill (NCTF-RH) began cleaning tank 2 at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility (RHBFSF) last week. With approval from the Hawaii Department of Health, NCTF-RH personnel started venting tank 2, replicating the process previously used during the safe and deliberate venting and initial cleaning of tanks 3 through 8. Tank 2 is the seventh of 14 tanks to undergo the ventilation process as a part of the decommissioning of the RHBFSF.



USS Pearl Harbor Arrives in Hawaii for Pacific Partnership 2025

The Harpers Ferry-class dock landing ship USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52) pulled into Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam last week to begin Pacific Partnership 2025. Now in its 21st iteration, the Pacific Partnership series is the largest annual multinational humanitarian assistance and disaster management preparedness mission conducted in the Indo-Pacific. Pacific Partnership works collaboratively with host and partner nations to enhance regional interoperability and disaster response capabilities and increase security and stability in the region.



JBPHH Fiber Deep Project Boosts Network Resilience, Saves Millions

U.S. Air National Guard Airmen from the 202nd, 205th, and 210th Engineering Installation Squadrons are installing fiber optic cables on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam as part of Fiber Deep, a strategic initiative designed to enhance base communications and bolster cyber defense capabilities. The project aims to save approximately \$10 million dollars by reducing upkeep and repair costs while also upgrading the base against cyber threats and providing real-world training opportunities for ANG warfighters.



This Week in History: July 16, 1908

On July 16, 1908, the Great White Fleet pulled into Honolulu Harbor to begin a six-day visit to Hawaii. The Great White Fleet was commissioned by President Theodore Roosevelt and tasked with circumnavigating the world between December 1907 and February 1909 as a show of America's naval strength. The hulls were painted white to indicate their peaceful intent. The 14-month voyage made 20 port calls on six continents.



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