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## **Army Hosts Earth Day Weed-a-Thon**

**Schofield Barracks, Hawaii**—Earth Day is a special time to show your compassion for the Earth and all of the beautiful resources it provides, and what better way to appreciate this planet than a day of weeding, wonderful mountain views, and Wai`anae hiking!

The Oahu Army Natural Resources Program (OANRP) is hosting its annual Earth Day Weed-a-Thon, April 22. Bring your grubby clothes, a lunch, and a desire to make a positive impact on one of Oahu's native forests.

This year's effort will concentrate on Kahanahaiki, one of the few remaining mesic forests on Oahu. Kahanahaiki sits in a gulch on the north side of Makua Valley in the spectacular Wai`anae mountain range. Home to many of Oahu's endangered plants and the endangered Kahuli tree snail, Kahanahaiki forest is truly a special place. The OANRP staff is eager to share its knowledge about these plants and animals with the hard-working volunteers during Weed-a-Thon.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the OANRP's Environmental Outreach specialists for further details. Please call (808) 656-7641 or email <a href="mailto:candace.r.russo@us.army.mil">candace.r.russo@us.army.mil</a> or <a href="mailto:kmwelch@hawaii.edu">kmwelch@hawaii.edu</a>.

Space is limited, so please sign up today!