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Army Holds Public Meetings Regarding Makua Military Reservation

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Hawaii—Army officials are inviting the community to a series of public meetings, next week, on Oahu and the Big Island.

The meetings will give island residents an opportunity to provide input on the Army's Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for live-fire training at Makua Military Reservation. Public comments to this new draft will be considered in preparing the Army's final statement and decision on Makua's future use.

The original DEIS was issued in 2005, but several developments over the past three years have necessitated a new draft. A Supplemental DEIS was released Sept. 19 to address these developments.

Public meetings will be held at the locations listed below. Each meeting will consist of an open house from 5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m., where information will be provided on the DEIS, followed by a public comment session from 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

- Oct. 6, 2008
Nanakuli High School Cafateria
89-980 Nanakuli Ave.
Waianae, HI 96792

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- Oct. 7, 2008
Wahiawa District Park Recreation Center
1129 Kilani Ave.
Wahiawa, HI 96786
- Oct. 8, 2008
Aunty Sally Kaleohano's Luau Hale
799 Piilani St.
Hilo, HI 96720
- Oct. 9, 2008
Waimea Community Center
65-1260 Kawaihae Rd.
Kamuela, HI 96743

Individuals may also submit public comments online at www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/makuaeis; by fax to (808) 656-3162; by e-mail to usaghipaomakuaeis@hawaii.army.mil; or by mail to:

**Attn: Makua SDEIS Public Comments
USAG-HI Public Affairs Office
742 Santos Dumont, WAAF
Schofield Barracks, HI 96857**

For questions about submitting public comments, please call (808) 656-3152.

The public comment period for the Supplemental DEIS ends November 3, 2008, 45 days after the Notice of Availability publication in the *Federal Register*, Sept. 19, by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. A Final EIS will be published following the comment period on the SDEIS and incorporation of public comments.