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## ARMY RELEASES MAKUA CULTURAL SITE LIST

**SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Hawaii -** The Department of the Army announced that it will hold a public meeting in Waianae on Mar. 9, 2009 to provide information and elicit comments from the local community on the prioritization of cultural site access at the Makua Military Reservation.

The Army has placed a list of 116 known archeological sites to be discussed at the meeting at the Waianae Public Library, 85-625 Farrington Highway, Waianae; the Kapolei Public Library, 1020 Manawai Street, Kapolei; and the Hawaii State Library, 478 South King Street, Honolulu. These documents can be accessed online for reading or download at:

http://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/sitelistmmr

The Army's intent is to increase cultural access availability and provide meaningful opportunities for the community to participate in identifying and prioritizing such sites.

A 30-day comment period in which the public is invited to provide oral comments as well as written via U.S. mail begins on Feb. 26. The Army will then thoroughly review all of the information contained in the list of sites and the public comments received to prepare a draft list of high priority sites and rationale for the selection of the sites, which will be made available to the public.

The Army expects to publish the final list of high priority cultural access sites in June.

MEETING LOCATION Mar. 9, 2009, 6:30 p.m. Nanaikapono Elementary School Cafeteria 89-153 Mano Avenue Waianae, HI 96792 Public Comments may be submitted via U.S. mail to:

U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii, Directorate of Public Works Environmental Division, Attn: Cultural Site List Comments 947 Wright Avenue, Wheeler Army Airfield Schofield Barracks, HI 96857-5013

For further information, please contact the Environmental Division, at (808) 656-6821. Public comments may be submitted online, by e-mail to peter.yuh@us.army.mil, by fax (808) 656-1039.