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ARMY TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING ON MAKUA

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

MEETING LOCATION March 9, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. Nanaikapono Elementary School Cafeteria 89-153 Mano Avenue Waianae, HI 96792

The Army has placed a list of 116 known archaeological 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 are also available online at http://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/sitelistmmr.

A 30-day comment period in which the public is invited to provide oral comments as well as written via U.S. mail began Feb. 26 and ends Mar. 28. 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.

Public comments may be submitted via U.S.P.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

Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to <u>peter.yuh@us.army.mil</u> or via fax to (808) 656-1039. For further information, please contact the Environmental Division at (808) 656-6821.